

**Determinants of entrepreneurial intent:
A meta-analytic test of competing theories**
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Abstract:

Although previous research has contributed to our knowledge by identifying the determinants of entrepreneurial intent, the literature in this field has emerged as a collection of studies with little empirical integration. Researchers utilized a variety of theoretical frameworks to understand the determinants of individuals' intent to found an own venture. Extending previous research, we undertook a meta-analysis comparing the theory of planned behavior and the entrepreneurial event model using meta-analytic structural equation modeling. Analyses of 49 samples from 28 studies with an N of 21,638 individuals for the theory of planned behavior and 12 samples from 11 studies with an N of 10,010 individuals for the entrepreneurial event model indicated that both models have adequate explanatory power but are no substitute for each other. Recommendations for future research are developed.