

## **Innovation without borders**

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This article is an introduction to this thematic issue. All of the articles investigate innovation activities and internationalization as well as the interactions between the two within the scope of small and medium size enterprises. This introduction briefly describes key innovation-related terms: innovation activity, innovative firm and models of innovation. The shift from the close innovation model to an open one has created options to internationalize research, development and innovation activities. The article gives an overview of sectoral sample and methods of investigation. It summarizes some of the joint conclusions of the KKVENT\_8 project, Innotárs Program (Chances of Hungarian Small- and Medium-sized Enterprises in the Globalizing Knowledge Economy.)