

Abbreviations

ARD	American Research and Development
BIC	Business Innovation Centre
CPI	Corporate Private Incubator
CVC	corporate venture capital
EU	European Union
GEM	Global Entrepreneurship Monitor
ICT	information and communications technology
IPI	Independent Private Incubator
IPO	initial public offering
IPR	intellectual property rights
IT	information technology
KIE	knowledge intensive entrepreneurship
KIS	knowledge intensive services
LSP	LEGO Serious Play™
M&As	mergers and acquisitions
MIT	Massachusetts Institute of Technology
NBIA	National Business Incubation Association
NGO	non-governmental organization
NTBF	new technology-based firm
NVCA	National Venture Capital Association
NVG	New Ventures Group
R&D	research and development
SBICs	Small Business Investment Companies
SMEs	small- and medium-sized enterprises
TBPM	tangible business process modelling
UBIs	University Business Incubators
UCSF	University of California at San Francisco
USOs	university spin-outs