



The 6th Applied Financial Modelling Conference “Financial Technology: Issues, Challenges, and Impact”

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Tobin’s College of Business, St. John’s University, New York

Call for Papers



The 6th Applied Financial Modelling Conference will be jointly hosted by St. John’s University, the Asia-Pacific Applied Economics Association, and the Centre for Financial Econometrics (Deakin University). The conference will be hosted at the New York City campus of St. John’s University’s Tobin College of Business.

The rise of financial technology (FinTech) is unprecedented. It represents a new phase of financial services in which financial regulations and technological innovations work in tandem. There are both opportunities and challenges arising from the emergence of FinTech. On the bright side, FinTech promises to offer more efficient financial intermediation, more liquid financial markets, and more choices for consumers of financial products. Established financial institutions will have to re-strategize their business models to meet growing customer demands while keeping within new regulatory requirements and expectations. On the other hand, the rise of FinTech can also be a source of risk which both businesses (investors) and policymakers will have to manage and deal with. These risks will include those associated to consumer and investor protection, consumer safety, stability of financial institutions, and stability of the financial system. These risks demand regulatory refinements and modifications or introduction of new laws and regulations to better manage trust, security and privacy issues posed by FinTech.

The conference invites papers that will discuss topics including, but not limited to:

- The role of cryptocurrencies in financial system stability and economic growth;
- The effect of FinTech on the financial services industry;
- The role of central banks in the development of and transition to FinTech;
- FinTech and the use of data mining techniques in the financial services industry;
- FinTech and risk profile of financial markets;
- Implications of FinTech on existing regulations in the financial services industry;
- FinTech, risk management and portfolio diversification;
- Credit risk in FinTech lending system; and
- FinTech and corporate investment decision making.

Both applied and theoretical papers are welcomed. Papers that design research questions which lead to creation of new datasets will also be of interest.

LOCAL ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

Associate Professor Phan, Dinh (Taylor’s University, Malaysia) — **Co-Chair**
Assistant Professor Yun Zhu (St. John’s University, USA)—**Co-Chair**

SUBMISSIONS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

September 1, 2018: Due date for paper/detailed abstract submission.

September 5, 2018: Final decision on submissions.

October 1, 2018: Registration deadline.

Authors are invited to submit their research papers (in English) in both PDF and word versions to the following address: contact.apaea@gmail.com and contact@a-paea.org

REGISTRATION FEES

For academics = US\$500; For industry representatives = US\$650; For PhD students (single-authored papers) = US\$400

TRANSPORTATION/ACCOMMODATION:

All participants are expected to make their own travel and accommodation arrangements in New York. Details on accommodation options will be provided on the conference website.

STRUCTURE OF PRESENTATION:

All papers presented at the conference will have a discussant assigned. Each presenter will have 20 minutes to present his/her paper; a discussant will discuss your paper for 5-7 minutes; and 3-5 minutes will be allocated for additional question & answers.

PUBLICATIONS:

Selected papers will be invited for submission to the journal, *Economic Modelling*. The review process for those invited papers will be expedited.

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