

## CALL FOR PAPERS

### **The Fourteenth Conference on Asia-Pacific Financial Markets (CAFM) Seoul, Korea, December 6~7, 2019**

The Korean Securities Association (KSA) is pleased to announce its Fourteenth Annual Conference on Asia-Pacific Financial Markets (CAFM) to be held at the Westin Chosun Hotel in Seoul, Korea, from December 6 to December 7, 2019. We welcome interested scholars, practitioners, and policy-makers to submit research papers in all areas of finance for presentation at the conference.

#### **KEYNOTE SPEAKER**

The keynote speaker for the Fourteenth CAFM will be Ronald W. Masulis, the Scientia Professor of Finance at the University of New South Wales in Sydney. He has an MBA and a PhD in Economics/Finance from the University of Chicago. His research is concentrated in empirical corporate finance and corporate governance and includes work on M&A, boards of directors, executive compensation, ownership structure, business groups, private equity, investment banking, international finance and market microstructure, which is published in the top Finance, Economics and Accounting journals. Among financial economists worldwide, he has one of the highest sustained rates of top tier publications and citations. Ron was the 2018 Asia/Pacific Finance Cavalcade's Program Chair, the Vice President of the 2018 Financial Management Association Annual Program and he has served as a director of the AFA, the WFA, the FMA and FIRS and on the editorial boards of the top four finance journals, among other journals. He is an ECGI research associate, and an ABFER senior academic fellow.

#### **GUEST LECTURES**

The following invited speakers will give lectures on important recent advances in finance.

Sumit Agarwal (*National University of Singapore*): "The Role of Digitization in Asia"

Diego Garcia (*University of Colorado*): "The Latest Trends on Investor Behavior, Information, and Investor Sentiment"

Bohui Zhang (*Chinese University of Hong Kong Shenzhen*): "Political Uncertainty and Finance"

#### **PAPER SUBMISSION**

Papers written in English must be submitted via <http://www.conftool.net/caf2019>, using MS Word or Adobe pdf file format from April 15, 2019. The deadline for paper submission is **August 31, 2019**. The submitted papers will be reviewed for selection by the review committee in a double-blind referee process. The results will be notified to the authors via email by September 30, 2019. If you have any questions with the paper submission, please let us know via email at [caf2019@gmail.com](mailto:caf2019@gmail.com).

All papers must be accompanied by an abstract of a maximum of 200 words. The cover page of the paper should contain the paper's title, the author's name, affiliation, address, phone number, and email address. The second page should contain the paper's title and abstract only. The programs for the previous CAFM conferences can be accessed at the website, <http://www.apjfs.org>.

#### **BEST PAPER AWARDS**

If your paper is accepted for presentation at the conference, your paper is eligible to compete for a Best Paper Award of US\$2,000 (or KRW 2,000,000). Eight (8) best papers will be awarded at the Gala dinner to each presenting author. The awarded papers will also be invited for fast-

track reviews and publication in the *Asia-Pacific Journal of Financial Studies (AJFS)*, which is the first finance SSCI journal in the Asia-Pacific region.

## **DOCTORAL STUDENT WORKSHOP AND BEST DISSERTATION AWARD**

Doctoral students are also welcome to present their dissertations at the doctoral student workshop of the conference, which will be led by Xuan Tian (Tsinghua University and the co-editor of *AJFS*). The Best Dissertation Award of US\$ 1,000 (or KRW 1,000,000) will be given to the best thesis. Professor Tian will also share his insights on how to publish papers in top-tier journals in the workshop. Interested young scholars are welcome to the session.

## **DUAL SUBMISSION OPTION WITH *AJFS***

The Fourteenth CAFM will feature a dual submission option with *AJFS*. If you choose the option at the time of paper submission, your paper accepted for the conference will be additionally invited for submission and considered for publication by the editors of *AJFS* with the journal submission fee waived. For further details about the Journal, please visit <http://wileyonlinelibrary.com/journal/ajfs>.

## **REGISTRATION**

Registrations made prior to November 10 will be charged with an early bird fee of US\$ 150, while those made post November 10, including on-sight registration, will be subject to regular fee of US\$ 300.

## **ABOUT SEOUL**

Seoul is the capital and largest metropolis in South Korea, and has been the capital for more than 600 years. With a municipal population over 9.8 million, the city is one of the largest financial and cultural centers in East Asia. Situated on the Han River, Seoul is considered a leading and rising global city, filled with a fascinating blend of ancient traditions and cutting-edge digital technology, home to endless street food vendors, beautiful royal palaces, and serene Buddhist temples. As the birthplace of K-pop and Korean Wave, Seoul receives over 10 million international visitors every year, making it one of the world's most visited cities.

## **CONFERENCE HOTEL**

The Westin Chosun Seoul is one of the leading hotels in Korea. Selected as one of the world's top 100 hotels by International Financial Institutional Investors in 1999 and 2003 and as the best hotel in Seoul for the fifth consecutive years by FinanceAsia, the hotel is conveniently located in the heart of the city, within walking distance to royal palaces and shopping centers. Please visit the hotel website at <https://www.marriott.com/hotels/travel/selwi-the-westin-chosun-seoul/>.

## **PROGRAM COMMITTEE CHAIR**

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## **CONFERENCE CONTACT**

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