International Conference on “Emerging Perspectives in FinTech”

CALL FOR PAPERS

July 21 – 22, 2018

Venue
India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

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A new wave of technological innovations, popularly called "FinTech," is accelerating radical transformation in the financial sector landscape. FinTech leverages the explosion of big data of individuals and firms, advances in Artificial Intelligence, Computing Capabilities, Robotic Process Automation (RPA), Distributed Ledgers and Cloud Technologies, Cryptography and many more disruptive innovations, which till recent years were hard to comprehend.

The strong complementarities among these technologies are creating space for an impressive array of new applications touching on services from payments to financing, better investment decisions through advanced analytics or reduced costs through improved post-trade processing platforms, asset management, insurance, regulatory oversight, audit and advice. Technological innovations are no more an option, it is imperative. The possibility now looms that entities driven by FinTech in India may emerge as competitive alternatives to traditional financial market participants, market architecture and infrastructures.

The Digital India has provided the desired impetus to FinTech, propelling the beneficiaries to develop and share knowledge resources for better digital data management to optimize their overall performance and contribution to various economic activities. It has opened a floodgate for FinTech Investments in India. Indian securities market has embraced FinTech in the market ecosystem which warrants creating linkages between Regulatory Sandboxes, ICOs (Initial Coin Offerings) and Digital Currencies. Given the emerging landscape created by FinTech in India, there are issues and concerns that need insightful deliberations by the domain experts.

This Conference is being jointly organized by National Institute of Financial Management under the aegis of DEA-NIFM Research Programme, Department of Economic Affairs, Ministry of Finance, Government of India with the Department of Management Studies, Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi.

This conference spans over two days. Day 1 of the conference will focus on the discussions by industry participants on Emerging Perspectives in FinTech and day 2 will feature the research paper presentations by academia and researchers.
Call for Papers

We invite Academicians, Research Scholars, Students, Entrepreneurs, Data Scientists, Bureaucrats, Policy Makers, Regulators, Financial Market Professionals and Consultants for applied or empirical contributions towards the various perspectives surrounding Fintech in emerging economies. Papers reflecting out-of-the-box thinking would be appreciated.

Within this overall theme, the main topics of the conference include, but are not limited to:

1. Evolution of technology in Financial Markets
2. Regulatory Sandboxes for FinTech in India
3. FinTech Revolution to transform the Financial Services including processing of Instant Payments; Open Platforms; Mobile Payments; and Wallets
4. FinTech: Drivers of Digital India
5. Challenges of Cybersecurity in Banking, FinTech and Transaction Environment
6. International Payment Transformation: Ripple
7. Role of FinTech in Financial Inclusion and Financial Integration
8. Risk and Opportunities in FinTech and Support of RegTech in AML/CFT Supervision: Implications of FinTech Developments for Banks and Bank Supervision
10. Fintech and Next-generation Retail Commerce
11. Entrepreneurship, Fintech and Investing
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Submission

Deadline
Submission of Full Paper: 1st June, 2018

Guidelines
Pdf as well as word file submissions are required. The document must be in double line spacing format using 12 point font size. The submission should contain: The title, name(s) of the author(s), affiliation(s), JEL classification codes, and e-mail address of each author.

Submit your paper at shvetasingh@dms.iitd.ac.in. Authors will be notified of the acceptance decision of paper by 30th June, 2018.

Selected Papers will be recommended for publication in special issue.

Style Guidelines

Length of Full Papers: Minimum of 2500 words and maximum of 4000 words.

Author Information: Include the following information on the first page of the manuscript: (1) title, (2) author(s), (3) institutional affiliation, (4) address and (5) telephone number.

Abstract: Include a one-paragraph abstract of no more than 100 to 150 words. Do not include references, footnotes or abbreviations in the abstract.

Keywords: Enclose with each manuscript, on a separate page, from three to five keywords.

Typing Format: Enclose with each manuscript, on a separate page, from three to five keywords. Times New Roman, Double space with a minimum of 12pt fonts. Margins of at least 1 inch (2.5 cm).

Headings and Subheadings: Use no more than three levels of headings. Begin all headings at the left margin and capitalize the first letter of the first word only. Headings should be numbered as, e.g., 1, 1.3, 2.4.5, etc.

Footnotes: Each footnote should appear at the bottom of the page on which it is cited in the text and should be indicated consecutively with superscript Arabic numerals.

Equations: Number consecutively only those equations that are referenced in the text. Indent equations and place numbers in parentheses at the right margin.

References: List references alphabetically by author's last name at the end of the text of the paper. They can be cited in the text as, e.g., "According to Smith and Jones (1995)," or "... (Smith and Jones, 1995)".
Style References


Tables: Type tables on separate pages after the references. Center the word “Table” followed by an Arabic numeral above the body of the table.

Verify that the text contains a reference to each table. When referring to a specific table in the text of the paper, use Table 1, Table 2, etc.

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Registration

All participants including Delegates and Paper Presenters shall have to register for attending the Conference.

Registration Link: goo.gl/forms/5FY7LBiLf7mv6bG3

Last date of Registration for Paper Presenter – 12th July, 2018

Last date of Registration for Delegates – 15th July, 2018
Registration Fee

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The registration fee for the event covers accommodation, program kit, lunch and light refreshments. There is no registration fee for the Delegates.

Accommodation will be provided on NIFM Campus and travel arrangements will be made for the participants presenting paper from NIFM Campus to India Habitat Centre, New Delhi.

In case of cancellation of registration up to 15 working days before the event, a refund of the registration fee net of 10% processing charges shall be made. No refunds can be made for cancellations less than 15 working days prior to the event. All refunds will be processed after the conclusion of the conference.

The registration would be paid in favour of ‘Accounts Officer, National Institute of Financial Management’ payable at ‘Faridabad’ through Demand Draft or the participants can also pay online (RTGS/NEFT/IFSC: HDFC0000557, A/C No. 50100083121045, Bank Name: HDFC Bank Ltd.).

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