





2ndInternational Conference of the Financial Engineering and Banking Society (F.E.B.S)

"Recent Developments in Financial Markets and Banking"

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Keynote speakers:

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Aims

The 2nd International Conference of the Financial Engineering and Banking Society will be held 7 June through 8 June, 2012 at the ESCP Europe London campus. The meeting aims towards providing a forum for researchers and practitioners to exchange ideas and to present new research results on the theory and modern practice of financial engineering and bank management.

The 2012 Conference is organized by ESCP Europe Business School (Paris-London-Berlin-Madrid-Torino), under the auspices of FEBS in collaboration with the Financial Engineering Laboratory of the Technical University of Crete (Greece).

Topics

The Conference covers a wide range of topics related to financial engineering and banking, including but not limited to:

- Analysis and risk management of banking institutions
- Asset liability management
- Liquidity management
- Credit risk modelling
- Asset pricing
- Project finance
- Commodities modelling, pricing and risk management
- Financial derivatives
- Regulation, supervision and policy
- Exchange rates and exchange rate regimes
- Islamic banking and finance
- Monetary policy
- Bank diversification, universal banks and financial conglomerates
- Securitization in banking
- Specialized lending
- Bank efficiency, productivity, and performance measurement
- International banking
- International financial crisis and systemic risk
- Mergers and acquisitions in banking
- Bancassurance
- Risk management for insurance companies
- Banking services
- Quality management in the banking sector
- Money and capital markets

Authors are invited to submit their papers with the purpose to present new and unpublished research. The criteria for selecting papers for the programme include the nature of the research problem, the implications of the proposed research in academia and the industry, the quality of the research design, and the contribution to the literature.

Those interested in participating to the conference are invited to submit a full paper electronically in word or pdf format at: <u>febs@escpeurope.eu</u> before **5 March**, **2012**.

The papers will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee of the Conference with respect to their relevance with the theme and aims of the Conference.

Acceptance Guidelines

Acceptance letters for the 2nd FEBS Conference will be sent via email to each paper's corresponding author by 6 April, 2012. Acceptance of a paper at the conference carries with it certain obligations. Specifically, the presenting author is required to:

- Register for the conference no later than two weeks following notification of acceptance.
- Present the accepted paper in a professional manner.
- Submit the final version of the paper and presentation slides to the Scientific Committee via email no later than 7 May, 2012.
- Discuss and provide quality feedback on a paper presented at the conference, in case he/she is asked to do so by the organising committee.

Journal Special Issue

Journal of Banking and Finance will publish a special issue, under the Guest Editorship of the Conference Co-chairs Kostas Andriosopoulos and Fotios Pasiouras, and the Chairman of FEBS Constantin Zopounidis, from papers presented at the FEBS 2012 Conference. The theme for the special issue will be related to the conference theme. Authors of papers selected for presentation at the 2012 conference will be invited to submit their papers to JBF for consideration for publication in the special issue. Papers submitted for this special issue will go through the normal JBF submission and review process. The journal's usual submission fee will apply. Additional details for submission to this special issue will be provided after 6 April, 2012 on the conference website.

Note on Guest Speakers

Ike Mathur is Professor of Finance at Southern Illinois University. He has widely published in top journals such as the Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of Business, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Corporate Finance, etc. He is the author or co-author of over 120 articles and 14 books. He serves on the editorial boards of a number of journals and he is currently the executive editor of the Journal of Banking and Finance.

Lucio Sarno is Professor of Finance at Cass Business School, City University London. He is the author of over 70 articles in refereed economics and finance journals, including the Journal of Economic Literature; Journal of Finance; Journal of Financial Economics; Review of Financial Studies; Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis; Journal of Business, etc. He has also authored and edited several books. Since 2005 has entered the ISI Essential Science Indicators (selection of the top 1% of the economics and finance profession on the basis of total citations on a 10-year rolling period). He is also ranked in the 2nd percentile in the REPEC rankings.

Best student paper award

The FEBS is pleased to announce that the top student paper along with the two runners-up will receive a monetary award. All three students will also receive waivers for their conference registration. Details of the awards will be announced on the conference website soon.

Important Dates	
Submission deadline	5 March, 2012
Notification of acceptance by	6 April, 2012
Final paper & presentation slides	7 May, 2012
2 nd international FEBS Conference	7-8 June, 2012

Registration

Registration fees are payable in advance and may be paid by credit card or wire transfer. Registration fee for the participants is $\pounds 300$. There is an additional fee of $\pounds 50$ for those who wish to participate at the conference dinner. The registration fees include the participation in all activities of the conference and the social events (excluding the dinner) and a one year membership at the FEBS. Hotel and related travel costs are not included in registration fees.

Registration fees include: registration materials, two lunches, one reception and coffee breaks. Details regarding the registration process will soon be available through the conference website.

Students: The fee for Ph.D. students is £150. Submit a letter stating that you are a full-time student. The letter should provide the name and contact information of your main faculty supervisor or your department chair and a copy of your student identification card. FEBS reserves the right to verify student status.

Session Organizers

If you wish to serve as a session organizer, please send us an email with your proposed topic. The deadline for submission is **30 January**, **2012**.

Venue

The Conference will take place at the ESCP Europe London Campus. Address: 527 Finchley Road, NW3 7BG, London, UK. For more information on how to get to the school please visit the following link: http://www.escpeurope.eu/campus/escp-europe-campus-london/london-campus/location/

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The London campus is an essential part of this. Located in the most renowned world business centre where a dominant business culture prevails separate to continental Europe, it enriches our programmes through an outstanding learning experience, providing opportunities to work with world-class companies.

Accommodation

Discounted rates will be arranged for the Conference participants in Hotels nearby the ESCP London campus.

The bookings should be made by 15 May, 2011 to take advantage of the discounted rates. After that date normal rates will apply.

Sponsors

Sponsorship is an important part of the FEBS Conference. The 2^{nd} International FEBS Conference is grateful to and acknowledges with thanks the organizations that will assist in ensuring the success of this year's conference. If you are interested in sponsoring one of the many events and/or sessions held during the conference, please contact Ms. Kasia Wolenska, Conference secretariat, on +44(0)207 443 8819 or at febs@escpeurope.eu.

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