

**FINANCE DOWN UNDER 2018:
Building on the Best from the Cellars of Finance**

PROGRAM SUMMARY

Thursday, March 1, 2018 - State Library of Victoria

5:00 pm – 7:30 pm

Registration and Drinks – Experimedia Room

Welcome Speech: John Handley, University of Melbourne – Experimedia Room

Keynote Speech: Ron Masulis, University of New South Wales – Experimedia Room

Wine Reception – Red Rotunda Room

Friday, March 2, 2018 - Melbourne Park, Tennis HQ

9:30 am – 10:00 am

Registration and Morning Coffee - Level 2

10:00 am – 11:00 am

Keynote Speech: Clemens Sialm, University of Texas at Austin – Level 2, Federer Room

11:00 am – 11:30 am

Morning Tea - Level 2, Federer Room

11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Parallel Sessions I - Level 2

12:45 pm – 2:30 pm

Lunch - Level 3

2:30 pm – 3:45 pm

Parallel Sessions II - Level 2

3:45 pm – 4:15 pm

Afternoon Tea – Level 2, Federer Room

4:15 pm – 5:30 pm

Parallel Sessions III - Level 2

Saturday, March 3, 2018 – University of Melbourne, The Spot Building

9:45 am – 10:15 am

Coffee and tea served – Books ‘n Bites Cafe (across the street from the Spot building)

10:30 am – 11:45 am

Plenary Session - Copland Theatre, Level B1

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm

Keynote Speech: Oliver Hart, Harvard University - Copland Theatre, Level B1

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm

Lunch – Dean’s Boardroom, Level 12

2:30 pm – 11:00 pm

Food and Wine Experience - Mornington Peninsula

Paper Awards and Announcements

CONFERENCE SESSIONS AT A GLANCE

Tennis HQ	<i>Federer Room</i>	<i>Nadal Room</i>	<i>Williams Room</i>
Parallel Sessions I	Asset Pricing I	Corporate Finance I	Market Microstructure
March 2, 11:30 am – 12:45 pm	<p>Show Me the Money: The Monetary Policy Risk Premium</p> <p>What Drives Q and Investment Fluctuations?</p>	<p>Costly Corporate Governance: Evidence from Shareholder Approval in Mergers and Acquisitions</p> <p>Rating Under Asymmetric Information</p>	<p>Why do Stock Exchanges Compete on Speed?</p> <p>Currency Mispricing and Dealer Balance Sheets</p>
Parallel Sessions II	Asset Pricing II	Corporate Finance II	Hedge Funds
March 2, 2:30 pm – 3:45 pm	<p>Good Volatility, Bad Volatility, and the Cross-Section of Stock Returns</p> <p>Is There Froth in the Corporate Bond Market?</p>	<p>When do Firms Risk Shift? Evidence from Venture Capital</p> <p>Well Begun is Half Done: Initial R&D Competence and Firm Growth</p>	<p>Hedge Fund Activists' Network and Information Flows</p> <p>Prime (Information) Brokerage</p>
Parallel Sessions III	Asset Pricing III	Corporate Finance III	Individual Borrowers and Traders
March 2, 4:15 pm – 5:30 pm	<p>Asset Pricing with Return Extrapolation</p> <p>The Collateralizability Premium</p>	<p>Downward Wage Rigidity, Corporate Investment, and Firm Value</p> <p>Social Stability and the Resource Allocation within Business Groups</p>	<p>The Limited Benefits of Mortgage Renegotiation</p> <p>The Impact of Non-Pecuniary Preferences on Household Financial Decisions</p>
Plenary Session	International Finance Copland Theatre, The Spot		
March 3, 10:30 am – 11:45 am	<p>Anomalies Abroad: Beyond Data Mining</p> <p>Integrated Markets: Economic or Financial Integration?</p>		

PROGRAM DETAILS

FRIDAY, March 2, 2018, 11:30 am – 12:45 pm

Asset Pricing I – Federer Room

Session Chair: Andrea Yinjia Lu, *University of Melbourne*

Show Me the Money: The Monetary Policy Risk Premium

Ali K. Ozdagli, *Federal Reserve Bank of Boston*

Mihail Velikov, *Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond*

What Drives Q and Investment Fluctuations?

Ilan Cooper, *BI Norwegian Business School*

Paulo F. Maio, *Hanken School of Economics*

Andreea Mitache, *Toulouse Business School*

Discussants:

Michael Gallmeyer, *University of Virginia*

Konark Saxena, *University of New South Wales*

Corporate Finance I – Nadal Room

Session Chair: Abe De Jong, *Erasmus University Rotterdam*

Costly Corporate Governance: Evidence from Shareholder Approval in Mergers and Acquisitions

Fangjian Fu, *Singapore Management University*

Wayne R. Guay, *University of Pennsylvania*

Wei Zhang, *Singapore Management University*

Rating Under Asymmetric Information

Christian Hilpert, *Zhongshan University*

Stefan Hirth, *University of Southern Denmark*

Alexander Szimayer, *University of Hamburg*

Discussants:

Umit Gurun, *University of Texas Dallas*.

Yuri Tserlukevich, *Arizona State University*

Market Microstructure – Williams Room

Session Chair: James Brugler, *University of Melbourne*

Why do Stock Exchanges Compete on Speed?

Xin Wang, *University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign*

Currency Mispricing and Dealer Balance Sheets

Gino Cenedese, *Bank of England*

Pasquale Della Corte, *Imperial College London*

Tianyu Wang, *Imperial College London*

Discussants:

Doug Foster, *University of Sydney*

Carole Comerton-Forde, *University of New South Wales*

FRIDAY, March 2, 2018, 2:30 pm – 3:45 pm

Asset Pricing II – Federer Room

Session Chair: Zhen Shi, *University of Melbourne*

Good Volatility, Bad Volatility, and the Cross-Section of Stock Returns

Tim Bollerslev, *Duke University*

Sophia Zhengzi Li, *Michigan State University*

Bingzhi Zhao, *Duke University*

Is There Froth in the Corporate Bond Market?

Yoshio Nozawa, *Federal Reserve Board of Governors*

Discussants:

Ravi Sastri, *University of Melbourne*

Thijs van der Heijden, *University of Melbourne*

Corporate Finance II – Nadal Room

Session Chair: Kate Volkova, *University of Melbourne*

When do Firms Risk Shift? Evidence from Venture Capital

Matthew Denes, *Carnegie Mellon University*

Well Begun is Half Done: Initial R&D Competence and Firm Growth

Kyungran Lee, *The University of Hong Kong*

S. Katie Moon, *University of Colorado at Boulder*

Seungjoon Oh, *Pekin University*

Discussants:

Vidhan K. Goyal, *Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*

Patrick Verwijmeren, *Erasmus University Rotterdam*

Hedge Funds – Williams Room

Session Chair: Gil Aharoni, *University of Melbourne*

Hedge Fund Activists' Network and Information Flows

Pouyan Foroughi, *University of New South Wales*

Prime (Information) Brokerage

Nitish Kumar, *University of Florida*

Kevin Mullally, *University of Alabama*

Sugata Ray, *University of Alabama*

Yuehua Tang, *University of Florida*

Discussants:

Luis Goncalves-Pinto, *City University of Hong Kong*

Stephen Brown, *Monash University*

FRIDAY, March 2, 2018, 4:15 pm – 5:30 pm

Asset Pricing III – Federer Room

Session Chair: Joachim Inkmann, *University of Melbourne*

Asset Pricing with Return Extrapolation

Lawrence J. Jin, *California Institute of Technology*

Pengfei Sui, *California Institute of Technology*

The Collateralizability Premium

Hengjie Ai, *University of Minnesota*

Jun Li, *Goethe University Frankfurt*

Kai Li, *Hong Kong University of Science & Technology*

Christian Schlag, *Goethe University Frankfurt*

Discussants:

Antonio Gargano, *University of Melbourne*

Zhanhui Chen, *Nanyang Technology University*

Corporate Finance III – Nadal Room

Session Chair: Chelsea Liu, *University of Adelaide*

Downward Wage Rigidity, Corporate Investment, and Firm Value

DuckKi Cho, *University of Sydney*

Social Stability and the Resource Allocation within Business Groups

Haikun Zhu, *Tilburg University*

Discussants:

Clemens Otto, *Singapore Management University*

Stefan Zeume, *University of Michigan*

Individual Borrowers and Traders – Williams Room

Session Chair: Joshua Shemesh, *Monash University*

The Limited Benefits of Mortgage Renegotiation

Sanket Korgaonkar, *Pennsylvania State University*

The Impact of Non-Pecuniary Preferences on Household Financial Decisions

Barbara A. Bliss, *University of San Diego*

Joseph Engelberg, *University of California, San Diego*

Mitch Warachka, *University of San Diego*

Discussants:

Andrew MacKinlay, *Virginia Tech*

Jianfeng Shen, *University of New South Wales*

SATURDAY, March 3, 2018, 10:30 am – 11:45 am

International Finance – Copland Theatre, The Spot

Session Chair: Patrick Kelly, *University of Melbourne*

Anomalies Abroad: Beyond Data Mining

Xiaomeng Lu, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

Robert F. Stambaugh, *University of Pennsylvania, Wharton*

Yu Yuan, *Shanghai Jiao Tong University*

Integrated Markets: Economic or Financial Integration?

Amir Akbari, *University of Ontario*

Lilian K. Ng, *York University*

Bruno Solnik, *Hong Kong University of Science and Technology*

Discussants:

Patrick Kelly, *University of Melbourne*

Riccardo Colacito, *University of North Carolina*

MAP & TRANSPORTATION

From the Melbourne airport to the hotels in the city, it takes 20-30 minutes, which might vary depending on the traffic. You can either take a taxi (fare: \$50-60) or SkyBus (fare: \$19.5 for one way / \$39 for return when purchased from self-serve kiosks or SkyBus ticket booths, check online for lower prices). On arrival at Southern Cross Station in the city, SkyBus provides a complimentary hotel transfer service, subject to availability (visit www.skybus.com.au for details).

For your transportation needs within the city area, we highly recommend the public transit system in Melbourne. There is a free tram zone in the Melbourne CBD – refer map below. For travel outside this zone you must purchase a "Myki" pass which allows travel on trams, busses, and trains. The Public transit is effective and as safe as can be reasonably expected.



- ⊙ **Welcome Reception, Thursday 1st of March 5:00 pm – 7:30 pm**
 State Library of Victoria, Experimedia (5:00pm-6:30pm) and Red Rotunda (6:30pm-7:30pm)
 328 Swanston Street, Melbourne; Tram 1, 3, 5, 6, 16, 64, 67, 72 to Melbourne Central Station/ State Library
- ⊙ **Conference Sessions, Friday 2nd of March 9:30 am – 5:30 pm** Melbourne Park, Tennis HQ
 Batman Ave, Melbourne; Tram 70 to Rod Laver Arena
- ⊙ **Conference Session, Saturday 3rd of March 9:45 am – 2:30 pm**
 The University of Melbourne
 Copland Theatre (Basement), The Spot Building
 198 Berkeley St, Parkville; Tram 19 or 59 to Haymarket