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
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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 Mitrache, 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 Tserlukhevich, *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