

Call for Papers

University of Cambridge | University of Florida | National University of Singapore

Real Estate Finance and Investment Symposium

October 25-27, 2018

The University of Cambridge, the University of Florida, and the National University of Singapore (NUS) announce a call for papers for their joint 2018 Real Estate Finance and Investment Symposium. The symposium will feature longer, more in-depth paper presentations and will allow ample time for discussion among presenters, assigned discussants, and other participants. The event will be held in a relaxed yet focussed setting aiming to inspire a critical mass of leading academics in the field to create new thoughts and insights on general finance, real estate finance and investments topics.

The symposium will be hosted by the University of Florida's Bergstrom Real Estate Center and will take place in Gainesville, Florida. Hotel accommodations and group meals will be provided by the organising institutions. All travel costs will be borne by the participants.

The organizers do not wish to necessarily limit the focus of the conference, and papers on any real estate-related finance or economics topic are welcome. However, subject to sufficient interest, we may try to focus the symposium on one or more of the following themes:

- *Real estate risk management and derivatives*
- *Leverage, capital structure and real estate*
- *Infrastructure investment and privatization*
- *Real estate price index methodology and performance measurement*
- *Economics of sustainability in real estate*
- *International real estate investment*
- *"Big Data," machine learning and artificial intelligence in real estate finance research*
- *Behavioural approaches to real estate*

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Paper Submission:

The deadline for submission of papers is July 1, 2018. From the submissions, the organizers will select approximately eight papers for presentation at the symposium, with notification to authors by July 20, 2018. All accepted authors may choose to submit their papers for publication in a special issue of the Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics with an expedited review subsequent to the symposium.

Authors should submit their papers electronically to:

Professor David Ling, McGurn Professor, University of Florida

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Submission of full papers is highly encouraged.

The Program

The participants are expected to arrive on Thursday, October 25. All presentations will be on Friday and Saturday (October 26-27). There will be no parallel sessions, and all participants are expected to attend all sessions, and play an active role in them. Each paper presentation session will last at least 45-50 minutes, including sufficient time for paper presentation, formal discussion, and general Q&A with the audience.

The Format

Thursday, October 25

→ Pre-conference reception and dinner

Friday, October 26

- 9:00 AM, 3 paper sessions
- 12:00 PM, Lunch
- 2:00 PM 2-3, paper sessions
- 6:00 PM Conference Dinner

Saturday, October 27

- 9:00 AM 3, paper sessions
- 12:00 PM, Lunch
- 2:00 PM, Conference closing