



Conference Announcement and Call for Papers

India Finance Conference 2013

Pre-Conference Tutorials: December 17, 2013

Conference: December 18 - 20, 2013

Venue: Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India

Hosted by:

Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad

Indian Institute of Management Bangalore

And

Indian Institute of Management Calcutta

About the Conference:

The India Finance Conference 2013 (IFC 2013) invites research papers in all areas of finance. The Conference is jointly organized by the Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Indian Institute of Management Bangalore, and Indian Institute of Management Calcutta. IFC 2013 is part of an annual conference organized by the three leading IIMs in India. The earlier Conferences, held at IIM Calcutta in 2012 and IIM Bangalore in 2011 had attracted a large number of submissions.

TOPICS: Conference shall focus on the following areas:

- Asset pricing and financial market volatility
- Corporate finance decisions, including choice of capital structure and payout
- Innovations in financial and operational risk management
- Quality of financial reporting and adoption of IFRS
- Role of corporate governance, executive compensation and ownership structure
- Computational finance, high-frequency trading and financial econometrics
- Financial policy choice, institutions and regulation
- Financial literacy and financial education

About the Institutes

Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA) has evolved from being India's premier management institute to a notable international school of management in just four decades. It all started with Dr. Vikram Sarabhai and a few spirited industrialists realizing that agriculture, education, health, transportation, population control, energy and public administration were vital elements in a growing society, and that it was necessary to efficiently manage these industries. "The result was the creation of the Indian Institute of

Management, Ahmedabad in 1961 as an autonomous body with the active collaboration of the Government of India, Government of Gujarat and the industrial sectors."

It was evident that to have a vision was not enough. Effective governance and quality education were seen as critical aspects.

From the very start the founders introduced the concept of faculty governance: all members of the faculty play an important role in administering the diverse academic and non-academic activities of the Institute. The empowerment of the faculty has been the propelling force behind the high quality of learning experience at IIMA.

The Institute had initial collaboration with Harvard Business School. This collaboration greatly influenced the Institute's approach to education. Gradually, it emerged as a confluence of the best of Eastern and Western values.

More information on IIMC is available at <http://www.iimahd.ernet.in/>

Indian Institute of Management Bangalore (IIMB), established in 1973, today offers a range of post-graduate and doctoral level courses as well as executive education programs. IIMB has been recognized as the No. 1 Business School in Central Asia by Eduniversal, a French Consultancy Group, for the last three consecutive years. IIMB has also obtained the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) accreditation awarded by the European Foundation for Management Education (EFMD). IIMB Centres of Excellence are engaged in adding value to their communities in the areas of Public Policy, Capital Markets & Financial Management, Corporate Governance, Entrepreneurship, Public Policy, Software and Supply Chain Management, to name a few. With a faculty body from amongst the best universities worldwide, IIMB is fast emerging as a leader in the area of management research, education and consulting.

More information on IIMB is available at www.iimb.ernet.in or www.iimb.ac.in.

Indian Institute of Management Calcutta (IIMC) was established as the first national institute for post-graduate studies and research in Management by the Government of India in November 1961 in collaboration with Alfred P. Sloan School of Management (MIT), the Government of West Bengal, The Ford Foundation and Indian industry. Over the years, IIMC has been imparting high quality management education and has grown into a mature institution with a global reputation. It has been playing a pioneering role in professionalizing Indian management through its post graduate and doctoral level programs, executive training programs, research and consulting activities.

IIM Calcutta has set up a state-of-the-art Financial Research and Trading Lab (the Finance Lab) in November 2008. The mission of the Finance Lab is to support advanced applied research in financial markets and equip finance managers with the mathematical and conceptual theories and best practices in financial markets that go into the creation and management of innovative financial products. The Finance Lab is equipped with 39 flat screen workstations with data feed from Bloomberg and Newswire 18. Information on the Finance Lab is available at <http://financelab.iimcal.ac.in/index.asp>

More information on IIMC is available at www.iimcal.ac.in.

Submission Deadline

Deadline for abstracts: Abstracts, not less than 500 words, should reach us on or before **31 May, 2013**. The decision of the reviewers on the acceptability of the abstract will be intimated by **15 July, 2013**. A full paper in lieu of an abstract is also welcome.

Deadline for Full Paper: Authors whose abstracts are accepted are required to submit full papers that have to be submitted online through the Conference website on or before **15 September 2013**.

Submission Guideline

Submit full paper or abstract in PDF format. The document must be in double space 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. To submit your paper or register for the conference please visit <http://financelab.iimcal.ac.in/ifc/>

Review process

The manuscripts will be subjected to a blind review process. The decision of the reviewers will be final and binding.

Best Paper Award

Three outstanding papers presented at the Conference shall be given awards. The conference will award \$500 for 1st prize, \$300 for 2nd prize and \$200 for 3rd prize.

Pre-Conference Tutorials

Tutorial sessions will be conducted on **17 December, 2013** by eminent academicians from India and abroad. Tutorials will be particularly useful for research scholars and academicians. Tutorial themes will be announced along with the program schedule.

Registration

In order to register for the Conference you need to visit <http://financelab.iimcal.ac.in/ifc/> and complete the online registration form. The registration fee is:

_ **Pre Conference Tutorials, 17 December, 2013**

_ Indian Participants INR

_ Overseas Participants USD

_ **Conference, 18 – 20 December, 2013**

_ Indian Academics INR

_ Overseas Academics USD

_ Industry Participants INR

The deadline to register for the conference is _____

The registration fee for the event covers attendance, program kit, lunches, conference dinner and light refreshments. Accommodation is not included.

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.

Payment Procedure

The registration fee for the conference and the tutorials (if applicable) needs to be paid via **electronic transfer**. Participants are requested to send us an email at asstmgr_finlab@iimcal.ac.in after making the transfer for us to track it better.

The payment modalities are as follows:

For Domestic (Indian) Participants to do Wire Transfers:

Bank Name:

Branch Address:

Branch Code:

IFSC Code:

Account Name:

Account Number:

For Overseas Participants to do Wire Transfers:

Bank Name:

Branch Address:

Branch Code:

Bank State:

SWIFT Code:

Account Name:

Account Number:

Accommodation

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How to Reach us

Getting to IIMA: Ahmedabad is well connected with all the metropolises in India via Air, Trains and Roads.

Travelling to Ahmedabad

The Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport serves both domestic and international traffic for the city and the neighbouring cities of Gandhinagar, Mehsana and Nadiad. The airport connects the city with destinations across India and to cities in the Middle East, the Far East and select destinations in Western Europe. There are more than 6 flights on a daily basis to Mumbai and Delhi - which are the main international air gateways in and out of India. Delhi is 1.5 hours away by air and Mumbai 50 minutes. Daily flights are also available for Bangalore, Hyderabad, Pune, Chennai and Kolkata.

Time taken from airport to IIMA: 30-40 minutes

Distance between airport and IIMA: 15 km

Taxi charges from airport to IIMA: INR 330

Trains

Please check the Indian Railways website www.indianrail.gov.in for details on train time tables, accommodation availability and fares. You can also book train tickets online using your Credit Card or Online Direct Banking at www.irctc.co.in.

Time taken from railway station to IIMA: 25-35 minutes

Distance between railway station and IIMA: 9 km

Taxi charges from railway station to IIMA: INR 180

Road

National Highway No. 8 which connects Delhi and Mumbai, passes through Ahmedabad. Ahmedabad is connected to Vadodara through National Expressway 1, a 94 km (58 miles) long highway with only two exits, which is part of the Golden Quadrilateral project. Ahmedabad is directly connected by highways to Bhavnagar, Nadiad, Mehsana, Surendranagar, Bhuj, Rajkot and Gandhinagar. Refer to www.mapsofindia.com to identify the best routes to reach Ahmedabad via road.

Reaching IIMA

For reaching IIMA, on landing in the city ask the taxi/auto rickshaw for "**IIM, Vastrapur**".