



Cryptocurrency Research Conference 2024

Call for Papers



We are delighted to invite you to the 7th Cryptocurrency Research Conference (CRC2024), to be held on **23-24 September 2024** at Zayed University, Dubai, UAE.

This event will bring together an international group of academics conducting research in cryptofinance and related disciplines, as well as practitioners and policy makers to generate debates on current issues of cryptocurrencies and digital finance. The conference provides a forum for presenting new ideas, and discussing the future direction of cryptocurrency research.

This event is the 7th edition of the Cryptocurrency Research Conference, please check our website to see the information about previous events: <https://cryptorc.org/>

This is the largest, niche conference in cryptocurrency and Fintech area, and we look forward to welcoming you in our community of digital finance scholars.

Paper Submission

Authors are invited to submit their papers (or extended abstracts) in English and in PDF format no later than **1st of July 2024** at CRC2024 submission website found [here](#). For PhD students, please indicate your student status when submitting the paper. Accepted authors will be notified on rolling basis to enable sufficient time to attend the event in person.

Keynote Speakers



[Professor Antoinette Schoar](#) is the Stewart C. Myers-Horn Family Professor of Finance, MIT Sloan School of Management. She holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Chicago and an undergraduate degree from Germany. Her research interests span from entrepreneurial finance to fintech, consumer finance, and financial intermediation. She has received several awards including the Kauffman Prize Medal for Distinguished Research in Entrepreneurship and the Brattle Prize for best paper in *The Journal of Finance*. She is the co-chair of the NBER Corporate Finance group. Professor Schoar is the EiC of *The Journal of Finance*, and she has served as an associate editor of *The American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, and the *Journal of Economic Perspectives*. Prof. Schoar will join the event virtually in a hybrid session, where both face-to-face and online

audiences will have opportunities to ask questions.



Sofia Johan is Associate Professor of Finance at Florida Atlantic University, USA. She is also affiliated with InnoLab, University of Vaasa and the Tilburg Law and Economics Center (TILEC). She holds a PhD from Tilburg University in the Netherlands and also law degrees from University of Warwick and University of Liverpool in the United Kingdom. She has served as the Academy of Management Entrepreneurship Division's Representative at Large since 2021 and is Chair of the Global Scholars Development Committee. She is Co-Editor of *Venture Capital: An International Journal of Entrepreneurial Finance* and an Associate Editor of the *British Journal of Management*, *British Accounting Review* and *International Journal of Finance and Economics*. Her research is focused on alternative finance (including but not limited to

crowdfunding, peer to peer lending and cryptocurrencies) and alternative investments (including but not limited to hedge funds, venture capital, private equity, real estate investment trusts and IPOs). Her research has been published in the *Entrepreneurship Theory and Practice*, *American Law and Economics Review*, *Journal of Financial Economics*, *Academy of Management Journal*, *Journal of Quantitative Analysis*, *Journal of Banking and Finance*, *European Financial Management*, and *European Economic Review*, among other journals. Prof. Johan will join the event in person and deliver a talk in a hybrid session, where both face-to-face and online audiences will have opportunities to ask questions.

Topics include, but are not limited to:

- Alternative and decentralized corporate finance;
- Artificial Intelligence in cryptocurrency research;
- Big Data in Fintech and DeFi;
- Blockchain in global finance;
- Efficiency/Inefficiency of crypto assets;
- Central Banks Digital Currencies (CBDCs);
- Crowdfunding and P2P lending;
- Cybercrime and cybersecurity;
- Digital banking and digital economy;
- Decentralized Autonomous Organizations (DAOs);
- Decentralized Finance (DeFi);
- Decentralized exchanges (DEXs) vs. Centralized exchanges (CEXs);
- Environmental sustainability of cryptocurrency markets;
- Fintech regulation;
- Financial stability and Cryptocurrency Uncertainty;
- Machine Learning
- Media attention to Fintech and DeFi;
- Non-Fungible Tokens (NFTs) and other innovative assets;
- Natural Language Processing in Fintech research;
- Opportunities for small businesses and entrepreneurs;
- Russian sanctions, geopolitical uncertainty and Fintech industry;
- Stablecoins;
- Other relevant topics.

Registration deadline and fees

The deadline to register is **15th of July 2024**.

Registration fee - **£400**

Our commitment to Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

To facilitate attendance for colleagues with disabilities, parenting duties, and academics from institutions with limited research budgets, CRC2024 will be organized in hybrid mode. If you wish to join virtually, please indicate so during the submission process.

Prizes and Awards

Elsevier's *Research in International Business and Finance* is delighted to sponsor two Best Paper Awards:

- **1,000 USD** for the Best Paper presented
- **1,000 USD** for the Best Student Paper presented



Publication opportunities



[Journal of International Money and Finance](#)

All conference participants are invited to submit their papers to the Special Issue of the Journal of International Money and Finance. The submission portal will open shortly after the conference, and authors should address all the comments received during CRC2024 prior to submission to the journal. Since its launch in 1982, Journal of International Money and Finance has built up a solid reputation as a high quality scholarly journal devoted to theoretical and empirical research in the fields of international monetary economics, international finance, and the rapidly developing overlap area between the two.



[The Financial Review](#)

The Conference Organising Committee will choose selected papers from those presented at the conference to be considered for publication at The Financial Review (FR). Within two months of the conference date, these papers will go through a blind review process. This is a “no-fault” submission option, which means that if the FR decides to review the paper and rejects it, the author(s) can submit the paper to the FR through the normal submission process. Papers submitted must not be under review at any journals.

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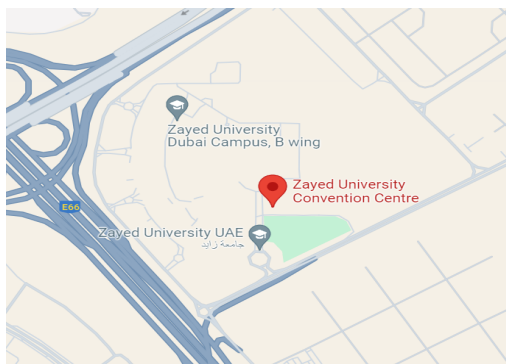
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Conference Venue



- Zayed University Convention Centre, Dubai Campus, UAE ([link](#))
- Conference dates: 23-24 September 2024

