



Call for papers: FIRN Women 2022 Annual Conference

FIRN Women invites submissions from female academics in finance for a hybrid research conference on Friday 22 July 2022.

Format of the conference

The conference will consist of two parts. The first part will be a keynote presentation by Professor Xiaoyan Zhang, followed by a 45-minute fireside chat with FIRN(Women) members. The second part of the conference will feature flipped research presentations. Presentations will be approximately 10 minutes in duration and papers will be presented by discussants (not authors). Submitting authors therefore commit to presenting a paper written by another author.

Government restrictions allowing, it is anticipated that the conference will be run in centralised 'hubs' in capital cities to allow for some in-person networking. Each hub will be connected to other hubs via zoom.

The research day is open to all FIRN members to attend at no cost.

Submission guidelines

Applicants must be female academics at a FIRN institution. Selection priority will be given towards early career researchers at Level B or C. Please note PhD students are not eligible to present at this conference.

- Accepted papers will be presented by a discussant. If your paper is accepted, you commit to presenting another author's paper.
- The purpose of the conference is to provide feedback, therefore submitted papers should not already be under review at a journal.
- It is an expectation that accepted applicants will attend from the conference hub in her capital city, if available.
- Accepted applicants will be expected to read all papers on the program to enable collegial peer review and discussion. All papers will be distributed by FIRN before the conference.

Submission process

Please submit two copies of your paper, one blind copy with all identifying information removed, and a second copy which is a full paper including author names, institution affiliations etc to women@firn.org.au

Submission closing date: ~~31 May, 2022~~ **15 June, 2022**

Keynote speaker: Professor Xiaoyan Zhang

Prof. Xiaoyan Zhang is the Chair Professor of Finance and Associate Dean at PBC School of Finance, Tsinghua University. She is also the Deputy Director of National Institute of Financial Research and Institute of Fintech Research at Tsinghua University, and the director of Xinyuan Fintech Research Center. Professor Zhang's research interests include international finance, empirical asset pricing, fintech and Chinese capital market. Many of her works have been published in Journal of Finance, the Journal of Financial Economics, the Review of Financial Studies and other top tier academic journals and have won the best paper awards multiple times. She is an associate editor at Management Science, Journal of Banking and Finance, Financial Management and Journal of Empirical Finance. Currently, Professor Zhang is a senior fellow of the Asian Bureau of Finance and Economic Research (ABFER), and a senior financial expert of the Shanghai Stock Exchange. Professor Zhang served on the CSRC 17th Issuance Examination Committee, and currently serves on the World Economic Forum's Global Future Council, China Global Economic Governance 50 Forum, and Expert Committee of National Internet Finance Association.

Enquiries about this event can be directed to: women@firn.org.au

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