

# Spring 2015 Conference of the Multinational Finance Society

**April 17-19, 2015, Cyprus**

**Submission Deadline: December 31, 2014**

**Notification of Acceptance: by January 31, 2015**

**Early Registration Deadline: February 15, 2015**

**Conference Registration Deadline: February 28, 2015**



## KEYNOTE SPEAKER

Yakov Amihud – Stern School of Business, New York University, USA

## ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION

### **“The New Era in Financial Intermediation, Stability and Regulation”**

This roundtable discussion aims to bring together some of the most influential academics, policymakers and business leaders to discuss top priority issues in the banking industry. The objective of the panel is to debate important issues in financial intermediation development as well as regulatory and governance reforms of the banking industry, in the context of the twin goals of building a sound banking system that can embrace savers with confidence and at the same time be effective in allocating capital to promote growth. The names of panelists will be announced in due course.

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## **PAPER AWARDS**

### **Best Paper Award**

The prize is 1000 USD plus complimentary entry of the award-winning paper to the Annual Conference Program. This award is open to all papers to be presented at the conference.

### **Best Doctoral Paper Award**

The prize is 500 USD plus complimentary entry of the award-winning paper to the Annual Conference Program. This award is open to all doctoral papers to be presented at the conference.

## **REGISTRATION FEE**

The early bird registration fee for presenting authors is €225 if registering by February 14, 2015. The standard registration fee is €275 for presenting authors registering by March 6, 2015. Late registration after March 6, 2015 is €350. For doctoral students, a discount of €125 applies\*. Registered participants automatically become members of the Society for one year, which allows them to submit papers to the Multinational Finance Journal at a reduced submission fee.

Faculty or practitioners who would like to attend the conference without presenting must register by March 31, 2015 for a fee of €125 for both days or for €75 for a single-day attendance. Registration after March 31, 2015 is 20% extra.

Friends and family accompanying conference participants who wish to attend the social functions can do so for a fee of €100. Registered participants and accompanying persons can attend in all social functions, which include a welcome reception, a guided sightseeing tour, two lunches, coffee breaks and a gala dinner.

Registrations are non-refundable after March 20, 2015. Prior to March 20, 2015, an administrative charge of €100 will be deducted from any refunded fees.

\* Discount will apply only when the student submits a letter showing evidence confirming his/her status as a doctoral student. The letter should be printed on official letterhead and signed by the head/chair of the School.

## **AREAS OF INTEREST**

Papers in all areas of Finance, Banking, Accounting and Economics dealing with developed and developing countries are welcome. Specific topics include, but are not limited to: Asset Pricing; International Asset Market Structures; Financial Derivatives; Corporate Ownership; Governance and Compensation and Firm Performance; Issues of Governance and Management Control; Cost of Bankruptcy and Financial Distress; Capital Structure Issues for Firms; Capital Structures in the Post Crisis Era; Financial Accounting; Banking in Crisis; CDS; Commodities; Contagion in Financial Markets; Initial and Seasoned Public Offerings and Equity Restructuring; Investment Banking and Issuing of Corporate Securities; FX Arbitrage; Financial Reporting; Mergers; Acquisitions; Corporate Restructuring and Takeover Defences; Behavioral Finance; Microstructure of Developed and Emerging Markets; Portfolio Management and Pricing Models; International Corporate Pension Fund Policies; Institutions; Public

Sector Financial Constraints in Times of Austerity; Management Traits and Decision Making; The Role of Social Media in the Dissemination of Information; The Management of Restraints in Sources of Finance.

Policy-oriented papers from researchers in government and industry are particularly welcome. Suggestions for the organization of panel sessions on topics of general interest will also be considered.

## DOCTORAL STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

The Multinational Finance Society will provide financial support for a limited number of registered doctoral students not sponsored by their institutions.

## PAPER SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Please visit our website at <http://www.mfsociety.org> to submit a copy of a completed or nearly completed paper.

The cover page should include the affiliation, address, phone and email address of each author. Each participant agrees to serve as a discussant of a paper in his/her own area of interest, if needed.

## VENUE

Municipality of Pafos, Cyprus

## FURTHER INFORMATION

Information regarding the conference, accommodation, keynote speakers, travel arrangements, registration fees and other activities will be published on the MFS website in due course. Information about past conferences can be found on the website as well.

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