## **Call for Papers**

The Academy of Financial Services 30<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting October 20 – 21, 2016, Harrah's, Las Vegas, NV

The Academy of Financial Services will hold its annual conference in Las Vegas, NV on Thursday and Friday, October 20-21, 2016. Note the Financial Management Association's annual meeting will also be held in Las Vegas, October 19-22. The location of these meetings is such that it is relatively easy to move between them.

The AFS Conference will feature speakers, symposia, several special sessions, posters, and a reception. The academy has, in recent meetings and with generous support of our sponsors, awarded several best paper awards. Furthermore, selected papers will be considered for an expedited review for publication in the *Financial Services Review*.

## Call-for Proposals is Open Paper Submission Deadline – May 4, 2016

**Submission Information:** Research papers and abstracts covering all aspects of individual financial management and education are sought for inclusion in the program. Papers in the areas of estate planning, insurance, tax accounting aspects of financial planning, investments, and retirement planning are encouraged. Proposals for panel discussions and tutorials devoted to current issues in individual financial management or the practice of financial planning will also be considered for inclusion in the program.

Each submission will be blind peer reviewed by at least two members of the Program Committee, and authors will be notified of the decisions no later than **June 30**, **2016**. Papers already accepted for publication in a refereed journal should not be submitted. There is no submission fee.

## **Submission Process:**

- 1. Please submit electronically at the following link <a href="http://ProposalSpace.com/calls/d/544">http://ProposalSpace.com/calls/d/544</a>.
- 2. To accommodate the blind review, names and affiliations of the authors should *not* appear on the paper itself.
- 3. Requests for extension of time to submit will not be granted this year. Please submit promptly.

**Author Responsibilities**: All accepted papers <u>must</u> have at least one author registered for the conference on or before **August 31, 2016**. As a courtesy to other authors, presenters of accepted papers should expect to serve as discussants or session chairs. AFS speakers and presenters a very strongly encouraged to stay at the site hotel, to be announced, to help AFS meet its contractual obligations to that hotel; this helps keep the registration fees as low as possible. A discount on the registration fee is provided to those who make their hotel reservations at Harrah's as AFS is contracted to fill a certain number of rooms in order to avoid meeting room rental fees.

For further Information: For further information, refer to the AFS website at academyfinanical.org.

- For submission content questions contact Program Chair, Duncan Williams at jdwilliams@email.wcu.edu.
- For questions on how to use ProposalSpace, the online submission form, please contact the AFS Conference Meeting Planner at <a href="mailto:gphillips@ArdenSolutions.com">gphillips@ArdenSolutions.com</a> or call 727-940-2658 x 2001 from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm eastern time.