



## The 5<sup>th</sup> Entrepreneurial Finance (ENTFIN) Association Annual Meeting

Bath, UK, July 9-10, 2020

*Along with a special issue of European Financial Management (EFM)*

&

*a Journal of Business Venturing Insights (JBVI) Best Paper Award*

### ENTFIN 2020

Following the continuing success of annual Entrepreneurial Finance conferences, the **University of Bath School of Management** is proud to host the 5<sup>th</sup> ENTFIN Annual Meeting. The meeting will take place on **July 9-10, 2020** in one of the **World Heritage sites – Bath, UK**.

### KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

We are incredibly excited to announce our keynote speakers from the areas of finance, accounting, and banking.



**Professor Jay Ritter**  
(University of Florida, USA)



**Professor Gavin Cassar**  
(INSEAD, France)



**Professor Steven Ongena**  
(University of Zurich, Switzerland)



## OPENING SESSION SPEECH

We are proud to announce the opening speech will be given by one of the top professors of entrepreneurship:



**Professor Dimo Dimov**  
(University of Bath, UK)

## CONFERENCE ORGANIZERS

Dimo Dimov, Professor of Entrepreneurship and Innovation, University of Bath, UK  
Winifred Huang, Associate Professor of Finance, University of Bath, UK  
Ru Xie, Associate Professor of Finance, University of Bath, UK

## FOCUS

The goal of the conference is to provide a platform for multidisciplinary knowledge spillovers among academics and practitioners interested in the development of entrepreneurial finance, financial innovation & technology, regulation, banking, and the evolution of digital finance.

The fast growth and adoption of financial innovation is rapidly changing the value chain in financial services encompassing banking, insurance, asset management, and capital markets. Such innovation is helping to revolutionize payments, wealth advisory services (through robotic systems), fundraising, and investment activities. The conference aims at exploring topics such as, but not limited to:

- Start-up and SME financing and/or investment activities
- Blockchain and smart contracts; Cryptocurrencies
- Initial Public Offerings (IPOs); Crowdfunding; Peer-to-Peer lending; Initial Coin Offerings (ICOs); Private equity and buyouts
- Business angels; Venture capital
- Banking and the growth of entrepreneurial finance markets



## CONFERENCE PAPER SUBMISSION & REGISTRATION

Please submit your paper with two (2) files in PDF format: (1) Full complete paper and (2) Blind paper without the name/s and affiliation/s of author/s to <https://cmt3.research.microsoft.com/ENTFIN2020> (please register first on the website) with your paper named as:

“ENTFINpaper\_FirstAuthorSurname\_PaperTitle.pdf” and “ENTFINpaper\_Anonymous\_PaperTitle.pdf”.

Papers will be reviewed anonymously. All presenting authors are expected to discuss another paper.

### **Important dates:**

- Paper submission deadline: **on March 20, 2020, at 13:00 GMT**
- Decision notification: **by April 30, 2020**

### **Registration fees (including an annual membership to the ENTFIN association):**

The fee includes meals, beverages, the conference drinks & gala dinner.

	Early Bird (by May 15)	Regular Fee (May 16-July 1)	Onsite (July 9-10)
Academic/Practitioner	£320	£420	£520
PhD student	£150	£250	£350

Partner/Guest conference drinks & gala dinner ticket (on 9<sup>th</sup> July evening only): £95

## **SPECIAL ISSUE – *European Financial Management (EFM)***

A special issue of the *EFM* will be published on “Financial Innovation, Regulations and Banking”. Managing Guest Editors are Philip Molyneux (University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates), Steven Ongena (University of Zurich, Switzerland); Guest Editors are Winifred Huang (University of Bath, UK) and Ru Xie (University of Bath, UK).

The Special Issue will consist of select and extended papers presented at the ENTFIN 2020. Authors are invited to submit research papers electronically of two (2) files in PDF format: (1) Full complete paper and (2) Blind paper without the name/s and affiliation/s of author/s via the EFMA website “<https://www.efmaefm.org/0EFMJOURNAL/submissions/details.php>” indicating with a note that your paper should be considered for the EFM Special Issue in “Financial Innovation, Regulation and Banking”.

### **Special issue key dates:**

Special issue deadline submission: August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020; Paper decision (accept, reject or revise): November 30, 2020; Submission of revised papers: January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021; Final paper decision: March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021; Publication (estimated): December 2021.

### **Special issue call for papers:**

<https://efmaefm.org/announcements/pdf/2020%20Bath%20Fin%20Tech%20Call%20for%20Papers.pdf>







## JOURNAL OF BUSINESS VENTURING INSIGHTS (JBVI) BEST PAPER AWARD

The “*JBVI* Best Paper Award” will be given to an outstanding paper within the scope of *JBVI* to promote new insights into entrepreneurial phenomena. The award will be adjudicated by *JBVI*'s Editor-in-Chief, Professor Dimo Dimov. The winning paper will be invited for an expedited review for publication in *JBVI*.

## CONFERENCE VENUE AND GALA DINNER

Conference venue: The Edge, University of Bath

Conference drinks: The Victoria Art Gallery on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020

Conference gala dinner: The Pump Room on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2020



**SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE** – To be announced soon.

**QUESTIONS?** Please contact the conference organisers via [ENTFIN2020@bath.ac.uk](mailto:ENTFIN2020@bath.ac.uk).