



Call for Papers

Addressing the Global Challenge of Responsive FinTech Regulation

Friday 8 March 2019, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland

Corporate Law, Governance and Capital Markets Research Group, School of Law, Trinity College Dublin

Symposium Objectives

Founded in 1740, Trinity College Dublin's School of Law, is one of the leading Law Schools in Europe. The Corporate Law, Governance and Capital Markets Group in the School of Law is organising a one symposium on addressing the global challenge of responsive FinTech regulation.

The symposium aims at examining the regulatory challenges posed by financial technology. Cryptocurrencies, blockchain technology, smart contracts, robo-advisors, initial coin offerings are challenging incumbent practices and firms. The evolving field of FinTech gives rise to new investor protection and financial stability risks. Regulators around the world are seeking to devise an optimal regulatory response, which addresses the challenges posed by FinTech without stifling innovation. Contributors to the symposium will seek to assess the benefits offered by financial technology, the dangers posed and the optimal regulatory approach.

Symposium Venue

The symposium will take place on Friday 8 March 2019 at Trinity Long Room Hub, Trinity College Dublin. Trinity College Dublin was established in 1592 and its historic campus is situated in Dublin city centre within easy access from Dublin airport.

Trinity Long Room Hub

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Procedure for Submitting Papers

We welcome submissions from both early career and established scholars. Intending participants are invited to submit either full papers or extended abstracts (2-3 A4 pages) by email to Dr Deirdre Ahern (email: dahern@tcd.ie). The deadline for submission is **17.00 hours (GMT) 30 November 2018**.

Submissions will be considered by the Conference Committee (Dr Deirdre Ahern and Dr Alexandros Seretakis) and decisions on acceptance will be communicated by 14 December 2018. Participants should note that they will be required to fund their own travel and accommodation expenses.

Final papers are due by 18 February 2018. Presentations will be organised into chaired panels and the presentation time for each participant will be 20 minutes.

Paper Topics

We invite papers for this symposium in a broad range of topics relating to FinTech and its regulation. Topics include, but are not limited to:

- Blockchain technology and its application to financial services
- Smart contracts
- Regulation of Initial Coin Offerings
- Cryptocurrencies and their regulation
- Digital currencies and central banking

- Regulation of peer-to-peer lending and crowdfunding
- Fintech firms' interactions with mainstream financial institutions
- Data protection and security
- Regulatory approaches enabling FinTech innovation (i.e. Regulatory Sandbox).

About the EBI - The European academic joint venture for research on banking regulation

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