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Digital Assets | **Monetary Policy** | **Financial Stability**

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PROGRAMME AT A GLANCE

Thursday, 19 November @ Library

09:30 – 9:45	**Welcome and Opening Remarks** Prof Sam Park Dean of School of Business Distinguished University Professor, Hang Seng University of Hong Kong Prof Franco Fiordelisi Professor of Banking and Finance, Essex Business School, University of Essex President of FINEST
9:45–10:30	**Keynote Address: New Developments in Financial Markets** Prof Manju Puri J B Fuqua Professor of Finance, Duke University Former Editor, Review of Financial Studies Former President, Western Finance Association
10:30–10:45	Coffee Break
10:45–13:15	**Session I**: Central Banking and Monetary Policy — 3 papers
13:15 –14:30	Lunch (by invitation)
14:30–16:10	**Session II**: Climate Risk, ESG and Banking — 2 papers
16:10–16:20	Coffee Break
16:20–18:00	**Session III**: Financial Intermediation and Real Economic Effects — 2 papers

Friday, 20 November @ Library

09:00–11:45	**Session IV**: Digital Assets and Decentralized Finance — 4 papers
11:45–12:00	Coffee Break
12:00–13:00	**Roundtable: Financial Innovation, Regulation and Monetary Policy**
13:00–13:15	Closing Remarks
13:15 –14:30	Lunch (by invitation)

Research format: Short paper presentations followed by substantive discussant feedback and open discussion.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER



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Keynote Speech Title:

New Developments in Financial Markets

Prof Puri specializes in Financial Institutions, Banks, Venture Capital, Entrepreneurship, Private Equity Regulation, Behavioral Finance, FinTech, Financial Inclusion, Capital raising. She combines rigorous scholarship with deep knowledge of the institutional workings and regulation of financial markets. Her work on banking examines both traditional forms of banking, relationship banking as well as new developments such as the rise of payment firms, Buy Now Pay Later, the use of digital footprints in credit by fintechs, and implications for financial inclusion. Prior to being an academic she worked in the banking industry. Prof. Puri is a prolific scholar, winning many awards, and recognized by the finance profession with leadership roles in the top finance professional organizations, elected as President of the Western Finance Association, elected Director of the American Finance Association, named Fellow of the Financial Management Association. She has served as Editor of the Review of Financial Studies, one of the top finance journals. She has served on the faculties of Duke University, Stanford University, and Yale University. She has served nationally and internationally in multiple roles in regulatory/policy service/advisory boards. She has given Congressional testimony before the Committee on Small Business; has served as Director, Center for Financial Research, FDIC; served on Financial Advisory Roundtable as a panel of experts providing advice to the President of Federal Reserve Bank, New York; served on Model Validation Council, providing advice on regulatory bank models to the Board of Governors, Fed, Washington D.C.; served on Advisory Panel of the International Association of Deposit Insurers, Basel; served the Government of India, Finance Ministry, on committee on commission/incentive structure of the distributors of financial products (Bose Committee); served as Research Council Member for Center for Advanced Financial Research and Learning, Reserve Bank of India, and is on the Advisory Panel of the Bank for International Settlements (BIS) Basel.

DETAILED PROGRAMME

Thursday, 19 November

9:45–10:30 | Keynote Address

Session I: Central Banking and Monetary Policy

10:45–13:15 | Chair: Prof Amine Tarazi

1. Central Bank Liquidity Support, Bank Lending, and the End of Currency Competition

Authors: Anna Grodecka-Messi (Sveriges Riksbank); Xin Zhang (Sveriges Riksbank)

Discussant: Prof Emilio Bisetti (HKUST)

2. Endogenous Bank Risks and the Lending Channel of Monetary Policy

Authors: Gabriela Araujo (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona); David Rivero Leiva (Universidad de Navarra); Hugo Rodríguez Mendizábal (Instituto de Análisis Económico – CSIC)

Discussant: Prof Briana Chang (HKUST)

3. House on Fire: Climate Risk, Mortgages, and Monetary Policy

Authors: Diana Bonfim (European Central Bank); Sujiao (Emma) Zhao (HKU Business School)

Discussant: Prof Henry Zhang (CUHK)

Discussants



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Session II: Climate Risk, ESG and Banking

14:30–16:10 | Chair: Prof Gabriela Araujo

1. **Relationship Banking and Corporate Green Investments**
   Authors: Lucas Marchand; Céline Meslier; Amine Tarazi (Université de Limoges)
   Discussant: Prof John Kuong (CUHK)

2. **Viral but Vanishing: Investment Advisors, Social Media, and Regulation**
   Authors: Nazanin Babolmorad (Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge), Peter Bossaerts (Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge), Nadia Massoud (Melbourne Business School, University of Melbourne)
   Discussant: Prof John Kuong (CUHK)

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Session III: Financial Intermediation and Real Economic Effects

16:20–18:00 | Chair: Prof Jerry Cao

1. Judicial Performance, Bank Lending, and Firm Investment: Evidence from Court Leadership Turnover

Authors: Franco Fiordelisi (Essex Business School); Davide Moretti (Banca d'Italia); Nazzareno Ruggiero (University of Salerno); Konstantinos Baltas (Essex Business School)
Discussant: Prof Vidhan K. Goyal (HKUST)

2. Bank Expertise and Structural Transformation

Authors: Yu Yi (Nankai University); Gang Zhang (Fudan University); Shengxing Zhang (Carnegie Mellon University)
Discussant: Prof Vidhan K. Goyal (HKUST)

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Session IV: Digital Assets and Decentralized Finance
09:00–11:45 | Chair: Prof Nathan Dong

1. When Does Anonymity Matter? Enforcement and Cryptocurrency Adoption

Authors: Andrea Accattoli (University of Roma Tor Vergata); Franco Fiordelisi (University of Essex); Francesco Saverio Stentella Lopes (University of Roma Tre)
Discussant: Prof Jerry Cao (HSUHK)

2. The Economics of Decentralized Connectivity

Authors: Paolo Guasoni (Dublin City University); Nazem Khan (University of Warwick); Yufei Zhang (Imperial College London)
Discussant: Prof King King Li (HSUHK)

3. The ESG Shield: Mitigating Systemic Risk in an Era of Uncertainty

Authors: G. Nathan Dong (Boston College)
Discussant: Prof Sophia Cheong (HSUHK)

4. Pre-Open Price Alignment in Continuous Crypto-Derivatives Markets

Authors: Vladimir Tsvetkov (Shenzhen MSU-BIT University)
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DETAILED PROGRAMME

Roundtable: Financial Innovation, Regulation and Monetary Policy | 12:00 –13:00

Discussion Theme: Hong Kong's FinTech Development towards 2030 – Regulatory Challenges, Innovation and Lessons for Europe

The roundtable will examine Hong Kong's experience in financial innovation, the regulation of digital assets, AI and emerging financial technologies, and the implications for monetary policy and financial stability. Attention will be given to Hong Kong's FinTech priorities towards 2030, comparisons with European regulatory approaches, and opportunities for collaboration between academics, regulators and industry practitioners.

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- **Dr Tom Fong** – Hong Kong Institute for Monetary and Financial Research (HKIMR)
- **Prof Roman Matousek** – Director, Centre for Global Finance & FinTech, The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (Moderator)
- **Ms Elizabeth Wong** – Director and Head of Fintech Unit, Intermediaries Division – Securities and Futures Commission
- **Mr Sam Yee** – Expert in Risk Management and Compliance

Panelists are listed alphabetically by surname.

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Ir Eric Chan is the Chief Public Mission Officer of the Hong Kong Cyberport. Chan oversees the public mission operation at Cyberport, building the ecosystem of nurturing start-ups from inspiring the next generation, through nurturing the entrepreneurial spirit, to empowering global ambition, through comprehensive entrepreneurship programmes with funding and other value-added services.

Chan has over 30 years of experience in the ICT industry, a chartered engineer, a chartered marketer, and a Fellow of Institution of Engineering & Technology (UK). Chan has been active in public services, especially in education and industrial training, professional bodies, and charitable organisations. Chan is the Chairman of Knowledge Management Development Center, Chairman of Industrial Training Advisory Committee (ICT Sector) and serves on a number of advisory committees under various Government Bureaus. He also serves on advisory boards and mentorship programs as well as Adjunct Professor at universities.

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Ms Elizabeth Wong is a Director and Head of Fintech unit of the Intermediaries Division of the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission. Her work involves the formulation of the Commission's policy on fintech matters and leading and supervising the licensing application approval process for virtual asset trading platforms, robo-advisers, virtual asset fund managers and traditional securities and asset management firms. Prior to taking up this role, Ms Wong worked in the Investment Products Division and the Intermediaries Supervision Department and played a key role in Commission-wide policy initiatives including developing and enhancing Hong Kong as an international asset management centre and introducing guidelines for regulating the sale of investment products through online distribution and advisory platforms. Ms Wong practised as a banking and finance lawyer in Hong Kong prior to joining the Commission.

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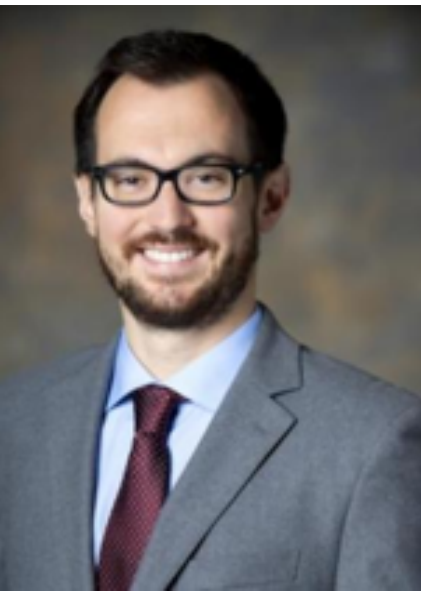

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