Call for papers

3RD ENTREPRENEURIAL FINANCE CONFERENCE

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The School of Management of Politecnico di Milano will organize the third conference on Entrepreneurial Finance in the vibrant city of **Milan**, Italy, on **June 26-27, 2018**.

Academic research on entrepreneurial finance is gaining momentum. The digital revolution and the big data paradigm offer start-ups the opportunities to introduce radical innovations, in technology and business models, creating new industries and fostering economic growth. To capture these opportunities, smart financing plays a key role. At the same time, the digital revolution opens alternative sources of finance for start-ups (crowdfunding, token offerings, angel investing), which both complement and compete with traditional sources.

The conference aims at exploring questions as:

- How do entrepreneurs choose between alternative sources of finance for new ventures?
- What is the relationship between innovation and financing?
- How is the role of stock markets in financing new ventures changing?
- Is the Fintech revolution transforming new venture financing?
- Is crowdfunding an effective source of finance for new ventures?
- Are blockchain technologies, cryptocurrencies and ICOs revolutionizing startup financing?
- What is the new role of business angels in the changing eco-system of entrepreneurial finance?
- What is the role of public institutions in the entrepreneurial finance market?
- What is the role of tourist investors (e.g., hedge funds and mutual funds) in startup financing?
- Why venture capital investments continue to be highly concentrated in particular districts?

Special Issue

Following the conference, a special issue on "*Entrepreneurial finance in the digital era*" will be published on a journal indexed in Scopus.

Paper submission & registration

We welcome submissions of high-quality research on entrepreneurial finance. Please submit your paper via the web platform www.entfin2018.polimi.it no later than **April 1, 2018**. Papers will be reviewed anonymously and authors will be notified of the decision by **May 1, 2018**. All presenting authors are expected to discuss another paper. The conference registration fee is €300 (VAT incl.), including meals, a conference dinner and a welcome event. Questions? Please contact the conference organizers via entfin2018@polimi.it.

Keynote speakers

The keynote speakers for the 2018 Entrepreneurial Finance Conference will be Professor Thomas Hellmann (Saïd Business School) and Professor Gary Dusnitsky (London Business School).

Important dates

Deadline submission: **April 1, 2018**
Deadline registration for participants: **June 1, 2018**

Conference organizers

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Conference web site

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