



Call for Submissions

SIRCA Young Researchers Program 2017

Third 'Pitching Research' Symposium

Supported by FIRN

Building on the great success of the events in 2015 and 2016, SIRCA is pleased to announce the third edition of its Pitching Research Symposium in 2017. Professor Robert Faff from the UQ Business School will co-ordinate and lead a one-day symposium comprising 'pitching research' presentations. This year, SIRCA is pleased to have the support of FIRN and the Symposium will be held in the stunning Frank Gehry designed Dr Chau Chak Wing of UTS. The details of this event are as follows.

Pitching Paper Submission Guidelines

1. Visit SSRN and download the latest version of 'Pitching Research' [Faff (2017)]: <https://ssrn.com/abstract=2462059>
2. Using the advice given in Faff (2017), create a pitch on your chosen area of proposed research relevant to the Pacific-Basin research community.
3. Please note: (a) while the proposed project can involve a US sample, it should NOT be exclusively based on US data; (b) pitches aiming to use innovative data sets are particularly welcome; and (c) do NOT "reverse engineer" an existing paper of yours – it must be a "new" idea that you have not yet seriously explored.
4. Identify a senior researcher with expertise relevant to this field of research who agrees to formally mentor your efforts regarding the design (& ultimate execution/writeup) of the proposed project.
5. Write a short 6-page 'letters' type paper based on your completed pitch template, using the following paper as a general guide: 'Financial Reporting of European Financial Institutions during the GFC: A Pitch' downloaded from SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=2482032>
6. Title your paper: '<<<insert your pitch working title here>>>: A Pitch'
7. Email your paper to pitching@sirca.org.au with the email subject line: 'Submission to SIRCA 2017 Pitching Research Symposium'.

Important Dates

- Submission Deadline: 12 noon Monday 19 June, 2017
- Decision Notification: Friday 30 June, 2017 (latest)
- Symposium Date: Friday 21 July, 2017

Travel Cost Assistance

SIRCA will award the selected presenters with flight assistance to attend the symposium to be held in the Dr Chau Chak Wing Building UTS, Sydney.





Symposium Award & Publication Opportunity

- The overall best pitch paper presented at the symposium (based on the combined quality of the written pitch and the oral presentation) will (a) be invited to execute the research and publish it in a special issue of Pacific-Basin Finance Journal at the end of 2018; and (b) receive a framed “winners” certificate.
- Other pitches, that are deemed to be of sufficient quality, will also be invited to execute the research and publish it in the same special issue of Pacific-Basin Finance Journal.

Pitch Presentation Guidelines

Each presenter will be given “10+2” minutes to pitch their research project based on their submitted pitch template. The presentation should be “faithful” to the template structure. Each presentation will be followed by at least 15 minutes of feedback - from a dedicated discussant (experienced researcher) and general Q&A.

Further Enquiries

For all clarifications or queries regarding the pitch paper requirements, please email Professor Faff directly, r.faff@business.uq.edu.au.

