Call for Papers

International Review of Finance 2025 Conference and Special Issue on Real Estate, Household, and ESG Finance

June 14, 2025, Yokohama, Japan

The *International Review of Finance (IRF)* is pleased to call for papers for a Conference on "Real Estate, Household, and ESG Finance" and the corresponding IRF Special Issue. Professor Sheridan Titman of the University of Texas, Austin, will deliver a keynote address at the conference.

The IRF was launched in 1999 with Professor Sheridan Titman as the founding editor. The objective of *IRF* is to publish high-quality research on financial economics, especially for topics relevant to Asia-Pacific region or by Asia-Pacific finance scholars. The journal is sponsored by the Nippon Finance Association and the Asian Finance Association.

Building on the success of the 25th Anniversary Conference in 2024, the IRF 2025 conference will be held on Saturday, June 14, 2025 in Yokohama, Japan. There is no submission or registration fee for this conference, but participants are expected to pay for their own airfare and accommodation. This conference will be immediately followed by the annual conference of the Nippon Finance Association in Yokohama at the same venue on June 14-15, 2025. (https://en.nfa-net.jp/2025/01/17/the-33rd-annual-conference/). We strongly encourage those planning to attend the Nippon Finance Association conference to consider the IRF conference as well.

Topics of interest for this conference and special issue include, but are not limited to:

- Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs)
- Mortgage-Backed Securities
- Private Equity Real Estate
- Real Estate and the Macroeconomy
- Corporate Real Estate
- Housing Finance (Homeownership, Housing Price Fluctuations, etc.)
- Household Saving and Consumption Behavior
- Debt Management (credit card debt, mortgages, auto loans, student loans, etc.)
- Financial Literacy
- Climate Change and Financial Markets
- Green Bonds and Sustainable Finance
- Carbon Pricing Mechanisms
- Impact of Environmental Regulations on Economic Growth

Paper Submission Process:

The conference has two paper submission tracks: The conference track accepts paper submissions for conference presentation only, while the dual track accepts paper submissions for conference presentation and for rapid and favorable consideration for the IRF Special Issue. In addition to paper submissions, we will also invite speakers and discussants, especially finance scholars who have been affiliated with the IRF.

The guest editors of the special issue will be Jiro Yoshida from Penn State University. Papers will be reviewed by members of the conference committee.

Please submit your paper through the following submission page:

https://nfa-net.jp/post-report/irf2025/

Enter 'NA' in the fields for 'Candidate for the discussant (1st choice)', 'Candidate's affiliation (1st choice)', and 'Candidate's e-mail (1st choice)' if no suitable candidate comes to mind.

The submission deadline is <u>March 16, 2025</u>. Acceptance will be announced around April 15, 2025.

The conference committee consists of:

- Jie Cao, Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- Toshiki Honda, Hitotsubashi University
- Wataru Ohta, Osaka University
- Tatsuyoshi Okimoto, Keio University
- Yoshiaki Ogura, Waseda University
- Tao Shu, Chinese University of Hong Kong
- Kazunori Suzuki, Waseda University
- Dragon Tang, The University of Hong Kong and Managing Editor of IRF
- Sheridan Titman, University of Texas, Austin
- Jiro Yoshida, Penn State and the University of Tokyo