



Call for papers

Finance and society conference 2024

12-13 September 2024
University of Sheffield, UK

The settlement between finance and society continues to come under strain from multiple directions: climate change, geopolitical rivalries, powerful new technologies, resurgent nationalism, cost of living crises. Whilst there is widespread acknowledgment that governments and corporations will have to adjust their strategies in fundamental ways to meet these challenges, willingness to depart from ‘business as usual’ is in short supply. What will be the likely consequences of this dynamic stasis? How will the so-called polycrisis of the present impact the shape of financial society and its future course? Unpacking these points of connection and tension (and in particular, the confusing ways they mix old with new, innovation with reaction) demands new conceptual, methodological, and empirical approaches. It requires a different temporal frame capable of capturing the variable speeds of our economy, politics, and culture. A sensitivity to spatial scale is also needed to capture new modes of governance and control made possible by ongoing advances in computation.

This year’s conference invites contributions that aim to extend and deepen the field of finance and society studies. We welcome the submission of papers and panels, as well as less traditional formats. Contributions from beyond academia – from artists, activists, policymakers, or practitioners – have been integral to the success of previous conferences and are again warmly invited.

The conference is organised by Adam Leaver, Daniel Tischer, and the Finance and Society Network (FSN), in association with the Centre for Research into Accounting and Finance in Context (CRAFIC) at the University of Sheffield.

Keynote addresses

- **Protocols for postcapitalist expression**
Dick Bryan, University of Sydney/Economic Space Agency
- **Finance, infrastructure, and the public good**
Julie Froud, University of Manchester

- **Taming the cycles of finance?**

Matthias Thiemann, Sciences Po

Contributions are invited in two formats

- Papers; abstract of up to 300 words
- Panels; panel proposal plus 4-5 paper abstracts

Themes on which we encourage contributions include

- Finance, accounting and society
- Audit and accountability
- Financial geographies
- Financial infrastructures
- Valuation regimes
- Finance and inequality
- Law and finance
- Leverage and power
- Assets, assetisation, and the asset economy
- Financial dystopias and apocalypse
- Finance and ecological crisis
- Finance, sustainability, and sustainable capitalism
- Racial capitalism
- Finance and platform capitalism
- Digital economy, AI, and the politics of fintech
- Tokens, tokenisation, and encryption
- Gendered finance
- Finance, nationalism, and populism
- Finance and growth regimes
- Welfare states after financialisation
- State-banking nexus
- Finance and corporate power
- Finance and development
- Subordinate financialisation
- Critical macro-finance
- Central banking and monetary policy
- Systemic risk and macroprudential governance
- Public finance
- Finance and security
- Theory and philosophy of money
- Histories of finance
- Heterodox economics and finance theory
- Temporality and futurity
- Volatility cultures
- Poststructuralism and finance

- Gift, debt, tribute, pledge, claim
- Contemporary regimes of credit, credibility, and reputation
- Money, finance, and psychoanalysis
- Aesthetics of finance
- Financialisation and contemporary art
- Finance and the occult

Please submit abstracts and proposals by **1 May 2024** to the following address:

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*** Important procedural note *** All abstracts and proposals should be submitted as PDF attachments named using the following convention: "Surname_Paper_Paper title" or "Surname_Panel_Panel title".

The editors of *Finance and Society* encourage paper submissions from conference participants. For more information on the journal please visit:

<https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/finance-and-society>

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<http://financeandsocietynetwork.org/events/past-events>