

Call for papers

The Maastricht-MIT-NUS 2009 Real Estate Finance and Investment Symposium

October 15 - 16, 2009

National University of Singapore, Singapore

Maastricht University, MIT Center for Real Estate and National University of Singapore announce a call for papers for their joint **2009 Real Estate Finance and Investment Symposium**. *The Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics* will devote a special issue to the conference. The symposium will be hosted by the National University of Singapore (NUS) in Singapore. Except for travel and hotel costs, all costs involved in attending the symposium are borne by the organising institutions. The conference is sponsored by NUS.

The organizers would like to encourage submission of papers on topics that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Property investment performance
- Real estate investment opportunities
- Real estate risk management and property derivatives
- Governance issues in real estate investment
- International real estate investment
- Securitization of real estate assets and liabilities and the subprime crisis

The deadline for submission of papers is **June 1, 2009**. All papers submitted are also automatically submitted for publication in the special issue of the *Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*. From the submissions, a committee consisting of the organisers and the members of the advisory board will select between nine and eleven papers for presentation at the symposium. By the end of July 2009, all those who have submitted a paper will be notified regarding its acceptance or rejection for the conference. In order to speed up the publication procedure for the special issue of *The Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*, the papers accepted for the conference will directly enter a normal refereeing procedure, with two referees per paper, and one of the referees being the discussant. Authors should submit their papers electronically to:

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Purpose

The purpose of the symposium is to provide a forum for real estate academics to present recent research to a small and selected audience of their peers. The aim is to have 8-11 presenters and an equal number of discussants during the day-and-a-half programme, with enough time for an in-depth discussion of each paper. Attendance is on the basis of paper acceptance. People not intending to present a paper, but willing to discuss one are welcome to attend the conference.

The Advisory Board

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The Organizers

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The Program

The participants are expected to arrive on Wednesday, October 14. The presentations will begin on Thursday morning October 15, and end at noon on the following day. There will be no parallel sessions, and all participants are expected to attend all sessions, and play an active role in them. Each session will last 60 minutes, with 30 minutes allocated to the presentation, 15 minutes to the discussant, and the remaining 15 minutes for general discussion.

The Format

Wednesday, October 14, 2009

19.00 PM Pre-conference reception

Thursday, October 15, 2009

8.00 AM 3-4 paper sessions

12.00 PM Lunch

14.00 PM 3-4 paper sessions

19.00 PM Dinner

Friday, October 16, 2009

8.00 AM 3-4 paper sessions

12.00 PM Lunch

14.00 PM Conference closing