

14th International Conference on

Emerging Trends in Corporate Finance and Financial Markets

Theme: Finance 5.0: Reimagining Financial Ecosystems in an Era of AI, Sustainability and Global Uncertainty

Innovating Finance for an Intelligent, Inclusive and Sustainable Future



Date :

October 29th and 30th 2026

Venue : SDMIMD, Mysuru

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Conference Theme

The global financial ecosystem is undergoing an unprecedented transformation driven by artificial intelligence, digital technologies, sustainability imperatives, evolving regulatory frameworks, and increasing geopolitical uncertainty. Financial institutions and corporations are rethinking traditional business models while embracing data-driven decision making, responsible investing, digital assets, climate finance, and resilient financial systems.

Finance 5.0 represents the convergence of intelligent technologies with sustainable and inclusive financial practices. As organizations navigate rapid technological disruption and changing stakeholder expectations, there is an increasing need for innovative research addressing financial resilience, governance, ESG integration, digital finance, and global market dynamics.

The **14th International Conference on Emerging Trends in Corporate Finance and Financial Markets** provides an international platform for academicians, researchers, industry practitioners, policymakers, and doctoral scholars to deliberate on emerging issues shaping the future of finance. The conference seeks high-quality empirical, conceptual, analytical, and practice-oriented research that contributes to advancing knowledge in finance, accounting, banking, financial markets, and allied disciplines.

Important Dates

**Abstract submission
date extended**
20th August 2026

Abstract Acceptance
30th August 2026

Full Paper Submission
10th September 2026

Acceptance Notification
30th September 2026

Final Registration
15th October 2026

Conference Date
29th & 30th October 2026

Full Papers of authors that are accepted and having duly completed the registration process will be published in electronic medium in the form of 'Compendium of Papers' bearing an ISBN: 978-81-999803-0-3.

Conference Tracks

Artificial Intelligence and Future of Finance

- AI-driven investment decisions
- Machine learning in finance
- Algorithmic and high-frequency trading
- Explainable AI and financial decision support
- AI governance and ethics

Corporate Finance

- Capital structure
- Dividend policy
- Corporate valuation
- Corporate restructuring
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Startup and venture financing
- Corporate cash holdings
- Working capital management

Financial Markets

- Equity markets
- Bond markets
- Commodity markets
- Foreign exchange markets
- Asset pricing
- Portfolio management
- Market efficiency
- Behavioural finance

Banking and Risk Management

- Basel regulations
- Treasury management
- Credit risk
- Operational risk
- Liquidity management
- Enterprise risk management
- Banking innovation

Sustainable Finance and ESG

- Green finance
- Climate finance
- ESG reporting
- Carbon markets
- Sustainable investing
- Responsible finance
- Impact investing
- Transition finance

FinTech and Digital Finance

- Blockchain
- Digital assets
- CBDCs
- Digital banking
- Financial inclusion
- Payment systems
- Open banking
- Cybersecurity

Accounting, Governance and Disclosure

- Corporate governance
- Financial reporting
- Integrated reporting
- Sustainability reporting
- IFRS developments
- Accounting analytics
- Audit quality
- Corporate transparency

Submission Guidelines

- Original and unpublished work only
- APA 7th Edition referencing
- MS Word submission
- Double blind review
- Plagiarism check mandatory

Publication Opportunities

Selected high-quality papers presented at the conference may be recommended for consideration in reputed listed and indexed journals, subject to

- Alignment with the journal's aims and scope
- Independent peer-review process
- Editorial policies
- Publication guidelines
- Final editorial decision

Authors may also submit extended versions of their manuscripts to the SDMIMD Journal of Management, subject to the journal's peer-review process and editorial policies.

About the Institute

Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Institute for Management Development (SDMIMD), ranked among the top Business Schools in India, is located at the foot of Chamundi Hills in the heritage city of Mysore in Karnataka, 140 kilometers from Bangalore. The Institute is promoted by the Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara Educational (SDME) Trust, a much-admired non-profit educational trust that runs over 40 recognized educational institutions in Karnataka, including engineering and medical colleges. The institute was established in 1993 with the objective of providing quality management education based on a firm foundation of Indian values and ethics. SDMIMD's flagship offering is a two-year, full time, residential Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM) program which is approved by AICTE and accredited by NBA. The PGDM Program is accredited by EFMD (European Foundation for Management Development).

Registration Fee

Participant categories	Conference Fees
Research Scholar* & Students**	INR 1250
Academicians***	INR 2500
Corporate Executives	INR 2750
Participants	INR 1500

*Full time research scholars only.

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*** Includes faculty pursuing part time research.



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