



Call for Papers

Fourth Conference on "Recent Advances in Mutual Fund and Hedge Fund Research"

Humboldt University Berlin (HU) and European School of Management and Technology (ESMT Berlin)

Following the successes of the previous three conferences, ESMT Berlin and the School of Business and Economics of Humboldt University are co-hosting the fourth conference on Recent Advances in Mutual Fund and Hedge Fund Research to be held in Berlin on August 21-22, 2017. The goal of the conference is to bring together leading academics interested in asset management in an environment which facilitates networking and in-depth discussions of the latest research on mutual funds and hedge funds. A maximum of nine papers will be selected for the conference. To provide ample time for the discussion of each paper, one hour will be allocated for the presentation and discussion of each paper.

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Paper Submission: Authors are welcome to submit empirical or theoretical research on any aspect related to mutual funds or hedge funds. Only papers which have not been published or accepted for publication will be considered. If you wish to have your paper considered for presentation at the conference, please submit the paper electronically by March 31, 2017, at https://registration.esmt.org/amc/2017/papersubmission/.

There is a €35 submission fee for each manuscript. Questions regarding the submission process should be directed to guillermo.baquero@esmt.org.

The authors of selected papers will be informed within three weeks of the submission deadline.

Participation: We invite all interested academics and practitioners to attend the conference. If you have any questions about the conference please contact Christiane Barrow (Christiane.Barrow@esmt.org). More information can be found at the conference website https://www.esmt.org/amc2017.

Information about the prior three conferences can be found at: https://www.wiwi.hu-berlin.de/de/professuren/bwl/cofi/conferences

Conference Venue: The conference takes place at the <u>ESMT Berlin Campus</u>, in the former GDR "Staatsratsgebäude" at Schlossplatz 1. Built in 1964, the building hosted the headquarters of the East German government, the Staatsrat (GDR's National Council), until 1989. A noteworthy example of Germany's modern architectural heritage, the building was used in varying functions after reunification and was the temporary office of the German Chancellor from 1999 to 2001. It has since been renovated and transformed into one of Germany's most modern educational centers.

Since the fall of the Berlin Wall in 1989, Berlin has become one of Europe's most vibrant cities. Dynamic, cosmopolitan, creative, and international are words that best describe Germany's capital city. The partition of Germany shaped Berlin, but much has changed since the reunification. Berlin is the largest city in Germany, where many diverse cultures and lifestyles meet. Berlin's cultural scene is thriving and it has something for everyone: bohemian cafes stand next to the finest restaurants, student drinking holes are nestled alongside sophisticated cocktail bars and underground clubs can be found close to the city's grand opera house. Some of Berlin's famous landmarks are: Checkpoint Charlie, the symbolic crossover point between East and West Berlin during the Cold War or the Reichstag, the impressive parliament building that offers panoramic views of the city from its glass dome.