



Call for papers

## **Futures of finance and society 2018**

6-7 December 2018  
University of Edinburgh, UK

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Ten years on from the global financial crisis, the settlement between finance and society remains ambiguous. Regulation has been tightened in traditional areas like banking, against a backdrop of fiscal austerity and the proliferation of new monies, financial platforms and investment vehicles. Building on the success of our previous 'Intersections of finance and society' conferences, 'Futures of finance and society' asks what new social, organisational and political forms are emerging and what direction they should take.

This two-day event, based at the University of Edinburgh's historic Medical Quad, aims to deepen dialogue between the diverse disciplines contributing to the field of 'finance and society' studies. It seeks to develop new synergies between political, sociological, historical, and philosophical perspectives. In addition to providing a venue for presenting ongoing theoretical and empirical research, contributors are invited to propose and debate potential solutions for improving financial stability, expanding financial inclusion, and mitigating inequalities associated with financialisation.

The conference is organised through the Finance and Society Network (FSN), in association with the journal *Finance and Society*, the Edinburgh Futures Institute, and the University of Edinburgh's School of Social and Political Science.

*Confirmed keynotes:*

- **Finance studies twenty years after Callon**  
Donald MacKenzie, University of Edinburgh
- **Financial citizenship: Experts, publics, and the politics of central banking**  
Annelise Riles, Cornell Law School
- **Financial cultures and financial crises**  
Gillian Tett, Financial Times

A fourth keynote speaker will be confirmed shortly

*Contributions are invited in two formats:*

- Papers; abstract of up to 300 words
- Panels; abstract of 100 words plus 3-4 paper abstracts up to 300 words

*Themes on which we encourage contributions include:*

- Sociology of financial markets
- Finance and social theory
- Finance and inequality
- Heterodox economics and finance theory
- Gender and finance
- Derivative and structured finance
- Central banking and shadow banking
- Financial crises, past and present
- Financial regulation and state activism
- Temporality, historicity, futurity, fictional expectations
- Financial modelling and forecasting
- Theology and finance
- Finance and social reproduction
- Finance and neoliberalism
- New perspectives on financialisation
- Financial markets and the digital economy
- Financial technology
- Money, financial markets, and psychoanalysis
- Popular cultures of finance
- Financialisation and contemporary art markets
- Contemporary art practice in the age of finance

Please submit abstracts and proposals by **1 September 2018** to Nathan Coombs and Tod Van Gunten at the following address: [futuresfinancesociety@gmail.com](mailto:futuresfinancesociety@gmail.com)

The editors of *Finance and Society* are encouraging paper submissions from conference participants. For more information on the journal please visit: <http://financeandsociety.ed.ac.uk>

The full programme for last year's event is available from the 2017 conference website: <https://intersectionsfinancesociety.wordpress.com/>



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