



The Third International Agricultural Risk, Finance, and Insurance Conference

June 22nd-24th, Zurich, Switzerland

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Waterloo Research Institute in Insurance, Securities and Quantitative Finance, University of Waterloo announces: **Call for Paper** submissions for the 3rd International Agricultural Risk, Finance, and Insurance Conference (IARFIC) to be held at the new Allianz Suisse Headquarters in Wallisellen, Zurich, Switzerland, on June 22nd-24th, 2014.

IARFIC is a unique venue that brings together leaders in agriculture, finance, and risk management, across disciplines, and across borders, tackling very important and timely topics in an effort to maintain a strong agricultural sector and improve global food security. The theme of the conference is “Agricultural Risk, Finance, Insurance and Actuarial Science”. The conference will include a dynamic program with high quality speakers focusing on innovative research, policy discussions, and business challenges and successes. The conference will also feature four “big picture” unique plenary sessions, with representation from Academia, Government, the Private Sector, Stakeholders, NGO’s, and others.

ORGANIZER:

Waterloo Research Institute in Insurance, Securities and Quantitative Finance (WatRISQ), University of Waterloo, Canada.

CO-ORGANIZER:

China Institute for Actuarial Science (CIAS), China, Central University of Finance and Economics, China, and the University of Manitoba, Canada.

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS:

Academics and practitioners are invited to submit abstracts (in English) in all areas of agriculture, with a focus on risk, finance, insurance, and other actuarial issues. The deadline for

submission is **March 15th, 2014**, and decisions will be communicated to authors shortly thereafter. Jointly authored papers should be submitted by the person who will present the paper if it is accepted. Please email your paper or extended abstract to IARFIC@cias-cufe.org.

PUBLICATIONS:

High-quality papers presented at the conference can be submitted for consideration to be published in the Special issue of **Agricultural Finance Review**. All papers will be subject to the journal review process. The deadline for submitting the full paper is October 31, 2014.

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:

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VENUE:

Hosted at the new Allianz Suisse Headquarters in Wallisellen, Zurich, Switzerland: Richtiplatz 1, 8304 Wallisellen. Zurich is an ideal location for this event as it is home to many of the specialty agricultural units for the world's leading reinsurers.

REGISTRATION:

Regular registration fee: \$995 (Cdn)

Reduced fee for Academics/Students: \$495 (Cdn)

Early bird registration: Save \$100 by registering before April 1, 2014.

Please visit www.iarfic.org for a list of accommodation options.

For those participants who require a letter of invitation for travel VISA's, or for any other inquiries, please send an email to IARFIC@cias-cufe.org.

On behalf of the IARFIC conference organizing and scientific committee, I look forward to seeing you in Zurich!



Lysa Porth, Conference Chair (2014)

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