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## Call for Papers

# 2019 ECMI Annual Conference Unlocking Europe's Hidden Capital Markets

Deadline: 16 August 2019

The European Capital Markets Institute (ECMI) is calling for a submission of research papers in the areas of *fixed income markets and infrastructure investment*. A committee of academics and international experts will select the best paper and award the author a €5,000 prize and the opportunity to present his or her findings at the 2019 ECMI Annual Conference in Brussels on 2 October 2019.<sup>1</sup> This prestigious international event brings together hundreds of policymakers, academics and industry representatives to take stock of recent developments in European capital markets and analyse their long-term implications.

Research papers should cover, but are not limited to, one or more of the following areas:

- Capital markets: development, integration and financial stability
- Impact of monetary policies on capital markets
- Corporate bonds markets pricing, trading and efficiency
- Sovereign debt markets (issuance, liquidity provisions, transaction costs, price formation)
- Risks and vulnerabilities in fixed income market
- Regulation and its impact on corporate and sovereign debt securities markets
- Private infrastructure finance and investment
- Sustainable Finance: asset allocation by retail and institutional investors

ECMI encourages the submission of empirical research papers with relevant implications for the European capital markets legislative framework. Additionally, the research paper should meet the following criteria:

1. Papers should be original and not previously published in an academic journal or other official review.
2. The submission of the paper should be approved by all authors and tacitly or explicitly by the responsible institutions where the work was carried out.
3. Papers should be submitted in English, include an abstract of no more than 200 words, and not exceed 50 pages (including table of contents, appendices, annexes and list of references).
4. Any direct contact by one or more of the authors with members of the Academic Committee should be disclosed in the submission email.
5. Upon acceptance of the prize, the author(s) of the winning paper will be asked to complete and sign a 'Declaration of Originality' and to authorise the publication of the paper in the ECMI Working Paper Series.
6. **Two files should be submitted** by email to: [ecmi@ceps.eu](mailto:ecmi@ceps.eu) by midnight **16 August 2019** containing:

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<sup>1</sup> Travel (economy) and accommodation expenses may be eligible for reimbursement.

- i. A title page with the title, the abstract and the full contact details of the author(s) (full name, address, job title, affiliation and contact details). Contact details should appear on the front page only; and,
  - ii. The full text of the paper with title and abstract in anonymous format. No contact details, name or any other direct sign should appear in the paper that could make the text attributable to the author(s) by the reviewer.
7. Failure to meet any of the requirements above can result in the exclusion of the paper from consideration in the competition.

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