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Call for Papers

Tunis High School of Business

Organize its second International Conference

FINANCE, BANK AND DEVELOPEMENT

Under the theme:

Issues and means of enhancing financial stability

April 11-12, 2012

Tunis, Tunisia

In collaboration with:
The University of Manouba,
The doctoral school ECOFIGES (ESC de Tunis),
The research laboratory ECSTRA (IHEC de Carthage)
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After the first conference on Islamic finance in April 2010, the Tunis Graduate School of Business intends to invite academics, researchers and professionals interested by the areas of finance, bank and risk management. This conference is a forum of exchange of knowledge around the question of financial stability.

Indeed, financial institutions fragility and markets instability entail risks that affect financial stability in a country or an economic zone. Some emerging economies continue to increase efforts to strengthen their financial stability by reviewing the role played by all stakeholders, mainly central banks and financial institutions. In this context several questions are raised:

- What are the issues of financial stability?
- What is the role played by central banks to enhance financial stability?
- What are the connections between government debt, sovereign risk and financial stability?
- What are the innovations of the Basel III prudential framework? Are they efficient in dealing with the new context of international financial fragility?
- How to regulate financial markets and make them less volatile?
- What kind of regulation for hedge funds and derivatives markets?
- How to make international accounting standards more relevant for financial systems?
- What are the solutions given by Islamic finance model to enhance financial stability?
- What are the issues of financial system models in the MENA countries: conventional versus Islamic models and market vs bank-based models?
- Is the Tunisian financial system stable? What are the measures necessary to strengthen it? What models of financial development to ensure a durable financial stability?
- Do governance policies and risk management practices in the Tunisian financial institutions comply with international standards?

It is in this context that this international conference will examine the role of banks and markets for a sustainable financial stability. The conference program includes **plenary sessions** to be moderated by keynotes speakers and **parallel sessions** for submitted papers. **Doctoral workshops** will be scheduled on the second day to allow doctoral students to present the progress of their research projects.

Submission

All submitted papers will be reviewed by scientific committee's members and accepted according to their clarity, originality and scientific contribution. Submission of original papers should cover the following areas:

- Financial and banking crises
- The Basel framework for prudential regulation
- Macro-prudential policy
- Risk management and bank governance
- Monetary policy and liquidity
- Central bank governance
- Debt and sovereign risk
- Insurance and solvency II
- Islamic economics and finance
- Islamic banking and insurance
- International accounting standards
- Regulation of financial markets
- Investment and ethical funds
- Hedge funds and derivatives markets
- Financial development Strategies

Only **completed papers** will be reviewed. Doctoral students who wish to take part in workshops have to submit a document summarizing the progress in their research by specifying in the email subject "submission

to doctoral workshop". Papers and doctoral documents should be **sent electronically** (.pdf or .doc format) via the web site of the Graduate School of Business of Tunis: **www.esct.rnu.tn**

Important dates

Deadline for submission: **March 3, 2012**
Decision of scientific committee: **March 17, 2012.**
Registration deadline: **March 31, 2012.**
Conference date: **11 and 12 april 2012**

Registration fees

	Students-PHD	Academic-Professional
Registration without lodging	100 dinars	200 dinars
Registration with lodging (1 night)	150 dinars	250 dinars
Registration with lodging (2 nights)	200 dinars	300 dinars

The registration fees include entry to the conference, documentation, coffee breaks and lunch during both days.

Authors' guideline:

The submitted papers should respect the following criteria:

- Font: Times New Roman
- Character size : 12
- Line spacing: single
- The first page will include the paper title, the author's names, addresses and affiliation, and a summary of 150 words.
- The papers submitted can be in English or French
- The papers must be send in word or PDF format

Publication

Selected papers will be published in the **conference proceedings book FBD 2012**. Best papers are expected to be selected for publication in a special issue of **International Journal of Economic Sciences and Applied Research**.

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