Dear AFAANZ members

We are very excited to be offering a virtual conference this year FREE to all AFAANZ members! The AFAANZ Board made a decision in April to go virtual this year as soon as we realised our Melbourne conference would not be able to go ahead due to COVID-19. Even in these uncertain times, it is important that AFAANZ is still able to provide important services to its members including the annual conference and doctoral symposium! The virtual format allows us to offer all of our regular conference events plus some very exciting extra activities. We look forward to seeing you in early July.

Jac Birt (Australian President)
Charl de Villiers (New Zealand President)
AFAANZ 2020 Conference Update

The virtual AFAANZ conference will run through OnAIR Showcase from Sunday July 5th to Tuesday July 7th. The program so far consists of academic and industry plenary addresses, and currently over 200 confirmed presentations, including 174 paper presentations plus 4 concurrent panels over the 3 days.

Seminars will also be held for most SIGs for SIG members. Details of the seminars will be updated through our newsletters and registration through the OnAIR registration portal. Registration is free for AFAANZ members, so make sure your membership is current for 2020. Please email info@afaanz.org for any enquiries on the status of your membership. Presenters will be contacted directly from The Conference Manager to set up their account and presentations, so there will be no need to register via the portal.

SIG EVENTS

Auditing and Assurance Special Interest Group (SIG 1)

Notice of Annual General Meeting
Sunday July 5 at 10am (AEST)

Important announcements to be made and items to be voted on. Zoom details to be sent to current SIG 1 members on Monday June 29. If you would like to join our meeting, please make sure your SIG 1 membership is current (please email info@afaanz.org for any queries)

Accounting History Special Interest Group (SIG2)

The 13th Accounting History Symposium

The thirteenth Accounting History Symposium will be held on Saturday, 4 July 2020, immediately preceding the 2020 AFAANZ Annual Conference. The Symposium will be delivered via the AFAANZ conference onAir platform from 8.30 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. approximately. The Symposium will be free of charge for both AHSIG members and non-members but participants need to register their attendance.

We are pleased to have a panel of leading and emerging Accounting History scholars to discuss and give feedback to the proposals and papers presented at the Symposium. The panel includes: Professor Garry Carnegie, Associate Professor Carolyn Fowler, Associate Professor Laura Maran, Professor Grant Samkin, Dr Delfina Gomes, Dr Nick Davis, Dr Giulia Leoni, Dr Maryam Safari, and Dr Binh Bui.

Further details on the Symposium registration and programme will be available on the AFAANZ website, the SIG page, and communicated to presenters and participants in due course. For any enquiries please email us at acchis.sig@gmail.com

AHSIG AGM

The annual general meeting of Accounting History Special Interest Group will be held on Tuesday, 14 July 2020 via Zoom. The meeting is to commence at 5.30pm sharp AEST. A further notice along with the agenda will be circulated to SIG members in due course.

Editors’ Choice collection and Annual Publication list

SAGE Publications has established a new Editors’ Choice Collection for Accounting History on the theme "Accounting and Totalitarian Regimes". Click HERE.

The 2019 Annual Publication list is also now available HERE:

Accounting History SIG Twitter
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Contact us via email: acchis.sig@gmail.com
The 2020 Financial Reporting Forum will be held online via Zoom, which I know many of us are now quite familiar with this platform. The format will commence with the various accounting standard setting bodies making presentations on current reporting issues in the morning session. This will include a comprehensive update but with particular focus on hot topics on the agenda.

The afternoon session will be devoted to presentations by PhD students, established academics and practitioners.

PhD PRESENTATIONS: CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

We invite students working on PhD (or Master) projects in financial reporting especially projects that are likely to have significant relevance to accounting standards to present papers on their research. This is an opportunity for research students to obtain valuable feedback from an audience with a strong interest in financial reporting. If you are working on a topic for a higher research degree that is likely to have significant relevance to accounting standards and you would like to nominate for the afternoon session you should e-mail an abstract of no more than 300 words to Phil Hancock (phil.hancock@uwa.edu.au). If you would like more details, call Phil on 08 6488 1835.

ACADEMICS AND PRACTITIONERS: CALL FOR PAPERS

The Forum also provides an opportunity for the academic and practitioner communities to show the standard setters that some academic research currently in progress in Australia and New Zealand that may be very relevant to them as standard setters. We invite interested academics and practitioners to submit papers on any topic related to financial reporting/accounting. Full papers or abstracts of 300 words maximum will be considered for acceptance. These should be sent to janice.loftus@adelaide.edu.au no later than June 15. Applicants will be notified by 22 June 2020. Full papers for successful applicants will be required by June 30.

So, register for the online forum and hear from the accounting standard setters in Australia and New Zealand.

Phil Hancock
Chair

Call for Papers, Presentations and Interesting Innovations for the Accounting Education Special Interest Group (SIG 5) Symposium

This year the symposium will engage you with the theme ‘Teaching & Learning: Being agile in challenging times’. Inviting participants to explore what they teach, why they teach it and what they can change to create a learning environment in accounting education that embraces the changes we face in the 2020s. More details to follow.

AFAANZ FINANCE SIG 2020 SHARK TANK PITCH EVENT - Replications

After last year’s successful event, the Finance SIG is again holding a shark tank pitch event with research teams to propose a replication of an important recent finance study. During the SIG meeting, seven invited teams will pitch their research replication idea to the “sharks” (i.e. a panel of journal editors representing: Accounting & Finance, Accounting Research Journal, Pacific-Basin Finance Journal). After each pitch, each shark editor will give a “thumbs up” or “thumbs down”.

Ultimately, subject to an agreed offer by one of the shark editors, replication pitches presented at the 2020 Finance SIG SHARK TANK PITCH event will be invited to execute the research replication project and publish the resultant completed paper in a future issue of the “winning” shark’s journal.

Please come along and join us in this exciting event! Attendees will need to be current members of the SIG and registrations will open soon.

MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING SIG
The 7th annual MA SIG forum will be held on Monday 6th July from 5.00pm to 6.30pm. Come along and meet MA researchers from around the country. Listen to 3MT presentations from our latest MA PhD candidates. Engage with guest panellists debating the implications of COVID-19 for MA research. BYO glass of vino!

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS FOR EDITOR-IN-CHIEF OF THE JOURNAL ACCOUNTING & FINANCE

The AFAANZ Board is seeking applications for a new editor-in-chief for the association’s journal, Accounting & Finance. The appointment will be for an initial three year period. The applicant should be an AFAANZ member, be able to demonstrate: excellence in their own research, journal editing experience, the ability to foster and support diverse research in the journal, capacity to add the duties of editor-in-chief to their workload, and support from their university.

Full details are available [HERE](#). Applications close 31 May, 2020.

CIMA has launched a two stage call for proposals on the following broad topics:

- The links between management accounting concerns and practices and contemporary developments in technology.
- The links between management accounting concerns and practices and contemporary developments in climate change reporting and sustainability.

In the first stage of the Call, which is now open, we are offering up to £7,500 of seedcorn funding to early career researchers and experienced researchers looking to conduct feasibility studies.

Applications close on 28 August 2020. The second stage, open from July 1 will offer up to £30,000 to experienced researchers.

For more information visit [www.cimaglobal.com/Research--Insight/Research-Funding](http://www.cimaglobal.com/Research--Insight/Research-Funding) or email research@aicpa-cima.com

Happy 80th Birthday to our Life Member, Professor Philip Brown
AFAANZ Doctoral Education Network (AFDEN)

AFDEN aims to facilitate the broad offering of coursework units/subjects relevant to PhD candidates in Accounting or Finance enrolled in Australian and New Zealand universities. The primary aim is to seamlessly facilitate a program providing PhD candidates the opportunity to develop world-class research skills and knowledge.

Dates for 2020 courses in Finance Theory, Finance Empirical, Research Methodological and Research Process can be found on the AFAANZ website.

Congratulations to AFAANZ member Professor Roger Simnett AO, who was acknowledged at the 11th annual presentation dinner for the Australian Accounting Hall of Fame 2020. Roger was unable to attend the 2019 event, but was formally inducted at the 2020 ceremony.

CALL FOR PAPERS and EXEMPLARS

New call for papers of AAAJ special issue: "Accounting, management, finance, and accountability in times of crisis: A COVID-19 perspective", which is now available on the journal's website:

Guest Editors of this special issue are Giulia Leoni, Alessandro Lai, Riccardo Stacchezzini, Ileana Steccolini, Stephen Brammer, Martina Linnenluecke and Istemi Demirag

Any queries or enquiries about the special issue are to be directed to giulia.leoni@unige.it

Hawai'i Accounting Research Conference
January 3 - 5, 2021, University of Hawai'i at Manoa, Honolulu, Hawai'i
Submission Deadline: August 15, 2020
The Hawai'i Accounting Research Conference (HARC) is an annual global accounting conference
organized by the Shidler College of Business at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa (UHM). The conference will provide a venue that is both enjoyable and affordable for attendees to engage in lively discussions about intellectually stimulating accounting research.

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: Katherine Schipper, Thomas F. Keller Professor of Business Administration at Duke University's Fuqua School of Business. Further details available HERE.

Submissions are now open for Monforma2020 - 26 & 27 November 2020.

Monforma aims to enrich the discussion among academics by facilitating the free exchange of ideas, as well as promoting and initiating research opportunities within the Management Accounting discipline. We are pleased to invite researchers in the areas of management accounting and management control to submit their papers (we welcome paper submissions from Early Career Researchers (ECRs)). The submission deadline for papers for Monforma2020 is Monday, 13 July 2020. Full details are available HERE.

Journal of Management Accounting Research (JMAR)

SPECIAL INTEREST FORUM ON MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTING FOR DECISION-MAKING AND PLANNING MOTIVATION AND OVERVIEW

Scholars from all regions of the world are invited to submit articles examining all aspects of managerial accounting supporting decision-making and planning using any methodological approach. Submissions due: October 12, 2020. More information is available HERE.

2020 Performance Management Association (PMA) Conference & Special Issue of Management Accounting Research (MAR)

Performance Measurement in Dynamic Environments

The 2020 PMA Conference and related Special Issue of MAR welcome research on performance measurement and management in a dynamic environment. In a dynamic environment, designing effective performance management systems is inevitably even more challenging. The research addressing this challenge is concerned with how performance measurement is or could be used in fast-moving environments. Technological disruptions; globalization (or recent impediments or reversals in some cases, such as ‘reshoring’ and ‘slowbalization’); new forms of collaboration between organizations in supply chains and in broader networks of organizations; availability of more data through social media and the Internet of Things, are but examples of such challenging contexts. We are interested in a wide range of topics and we welcome studies drawing on any relevant theoretical source discipline and employing any relevant research method, including case/field studies, surveys, archival studies, experiments, ethnographic and historical papers, as well as strongly conceptual descriptive work or thought pieces. MORE INFORMATION

PhD Assistance: A project is inviting participants to take part in a research study on "The Role of Strategic Leadership in Cyber Security in Financial Organisations". Please find attached the Participants Information Sheet and Interview Questions for more information and contact details.

For our New Zealand members, you can purchase discounted movie tickets for Event and Rialto Cinemas. Click here for further details.
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