



April 2021

NEWSLETTER

Call for Applications - AFAANZ Research Fund

The AFAANZ Research Fund (ARF) Annual Grants Program is designed to encourage and support members by providing funding for research projects. The 2021 round will focus on quality projects that address or respond to contemporary and future challenges to, and/or have implications for, accounting and finance practice, policy and/or the professions. Grants are competitive, and are primarily intended to support small-scale projects of up to one year's duration or to assist in seed funding for larger scale projects. Applicants must demonstrate their ability to conduct the proposed research and show how the project will benefit the research profile of the individuals and the discipline. The pool of funds comes directly from fees paid by institutional members. As such, access to the ARF is limited to AFAANZ members based at a member institution.

To see more information on the application process and eligibility see [HERE](#).

To access the application portal, go to <https://pitchmyresearch.com/grants>

Deadline for applications: 30 April, 2020

AFAANZ Board Elections

Voting is now open for the 2021-2023 AFAANZ Board, which closes 30th April at 5.00pm AEST. There are six nominations for five vacant positions on the Board:

- **David Bond**
- **Bikram Chatterjee**
- **Lisa McManus**
- **Michaela Rankin**
- **Yaowen Shan**
- **Marvin Wee**

The biographies of the nominees can be found [HERE](#).

To vote, please go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CVL7BNX>

It is necessary that you are a current 2021 AFAANZ Member and you will be asked to enter your 5-digit membership number (note that membership numbers beginning with AF no longer exist). If you do not know your number or would like to join/renew your membership, please either log into your [AFAANZ account](#) or email info@afaanz.org

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**Introducing the new CA Program on Thursday 29 April between
10.30am and 12pm AEST**

Presented by Simon Hann, Group Executive Education & Learning and Samantha Wilson, Program Director, from the Education and Learning team at Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand

Learn about the exciting changes made to the CA Program to equip candidates with the skills they need to take on any career path they choose.

**The Auditing and Assurance Special Interest Group invite you
to the virtual seminar**



Panellists:

- **Nives Botica Redmayne (Moderator) Associate Professor at Massey University, NZASB Member & CA ANZ President**
- **Peter Rupp, Partner Deloitte Private & past CA ANZ President**
- **Karen Shires, Chief Risk Officer PwC New Zealand**
- **Craig Fisher, consultant with RSM (former Chairman)**

To register for either events, click [HERE](#).



We are very excited to have MYOB as a Bronze Sponsor and supporting AFAANZ this year. Below is their latest Business Monitor Report. According to the report Gen Y SMEs (aged 25-39) are most positive about the year ahead with 53% expecting more profit in the next 12 months. They are the group most likely to be digitally enabled, with 84% having either a website, social media presence or both for their business. Read the full report [HERE](#)

Also, check out MYOB recent [blog](#) on 4 tech trends set to revolutionise working life. They may not all be brand new, but they are beginning to hit a lot harder following the unexpected events of the past 12 months.

AFAANZ MEMBERSHIPS

AFAANZ is introducing new membership categories to support our members:

- PhD Student Membership
- Casual Academic Membership
- Retired Academic Membership

All memberships are \$20 plus GST. More details and criteria are available on the AFAANZ [website](#). Please email info@afaanz.org to request membership (with supporting documents if required).



**Free Teacher PD from
AccountingPod
for April 2021**

Authored by Xero, and powered up by AccountingPod's education technology, this could be the answer to Get to Know Xero at your own pace, in your own time. AccountingPod will provide free teacher access to their 'Get to Know Xero' course utilising guidance and enabling task level feedback, automarking and learning insights.

To register, click [HERE](#)

Inaugural AFE Symposium for Indigenous Early Career Researchers in Business and Commerce

Workshop Theme: Closing the Gap Report 2020

Closing the Gap began in response to a call for governments to commit to achieving equality for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people in health and life expectancy within a generation. The report highlights that the key priority areas of employment and education are still a major concern. Millions of dollars are injected into the economy to increase self-employment, and financial literacy education to ensure success. There is a need for further research to understand why these improvements have not translated into closing the gap between Indigenous education and employment outcomes. These should help future government policy initiatives. This workshop will focus on outstanding research questions and findings that can help accelerate improvements in life outcomes, programs and services which need to be designed, developed, and implemented in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. For all details, click [HERE](#)

Asia Pacific Interdisciplinary Research in Accounting

Following the very positive response in February to the first ("Rob Gray's Accountability Legacy") event in AAAJ's APIRA 2021 series, APIRA Event 2 will take the form of a panel forum on major cutting edge issues and developments in the interdisciplinary research space. The event will be offered as a 90 minute session, with presentations by 3 leading researchers and a Q&A session. As with the previous live session, Event 2 will also be recorded and available to registrants on the APIRA webpage for a period of one week after the actual event.

Event 2: June 10th 2021: "Future Directions in Interdisciplinary Accounting Research"

Research panellists: Professors Lee Parker (RMIT & University of Glasgow), Jane Andrew (University of Sydney) and Niamh Brennan (University College Dublin).

The Q&A will be moderated by AAAJ's APIRA Associate Editor Indrit Troshani.

You can register now for the second APIRA 2021 event June 10, on the APIRA [webpage](#)



ACCOUNTING
& FINANCE



Call for Papers

2021 International Accounting Standards Board Research Forum will be held in conjunction with Accounting and Finance.

The Forum will be held in a major city in southern Asia on 1-2 November 2021 but held virtually if travel is not possible. The Editors of the A&F/IASB Research Forum Special Issue, Tom Smith and Gary Monroe, invite submissions that provide evidence to help inform the standard-setting activities of the IASB.

For full details of the Call for Papers, click [HERE](#).

Papers must be submitted via the online system no later than 31 March 2021. Decisions on submitted papers will be made by 30 June 2021.

Call for academic research to inform the IASB's post-implementation reviews of IFRS Standards

The IFRS Foundation is calling for research proposals to help inform the International Accounting Standards Board's planned post-implementation reviews of three Standards, focusing specifically on the quality of disclosures provided by companies applying IFRS 9 Financial Instruments, together with the disclosure requirements in IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures, and on the disclosures required by IFRS 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers.

The deadline for submitting research proposals is 31 March 2021. Further details are available [HERE](#)

Notice of the Annual General Meeting of AFAANZ

Dear member,

This is to advise you of the upcoming Annual General Meeting of the members of AFAANZ. The details of this meeting are as follows:

Date: Friday 7th May, 2021

Time: 4.00pm AEST

This meeting will be an online meeting using Zoom. If you wish to attend the meeting or submit a question, please email info@afaanz.org and the link, agenda and reports will be emailed to you.

AFAANZ INSTITUTIONAL MEMBER CONFERENCE FUNDING

Hosting a conference in 2021? Need funding support? AFAANZ is offering \$500 financial support for physical conferences and \$250 for virtual conferences held by its Institutional Members in the disciplines of Accounting and Finance in 2021. See criteria and process [HERE](#).

Send your applications to info@afaanz.org



The Australian Accounting Review is pleased to announce a call for papers for a Special Issue of the Journal that will publish academic research related to the application and impact of IFRS 9 Financial Instruments. Research on all areas of IFRS 9, using a range of research methods, is welcome. The changes introduced by IFRS 9 include: (a) classification and measurement - a logical, single classification approach driven by cash flow characteristics and how financial instruments are managed; (b) impairment - forward-looking 'expected credit loss' impairment model; and (c) hedge accounting -

requirements that better align with risk management activities. Changes to disclosure requirements were introduced in IFRS 7 Financial Instruments: Disclosures.

For full details, click [HERE](#)

Expressions of interest must be submitted by e-mail to [Professor Michael Bradbury](#), by 15 April, 2021



The **European Accounting Association** is expanding its activities in the field of education and teaching. In order to address the relevant topics with its activities and events, the EAA Education Committee wants to conduct a survey among its members but also non-members.

Accounting has changed significantly over the last years and has affected both the opportunities and the challenges of teaching. The current Covid-19 situation has only accelerated the transformation. For this reason, the European Accounting Association (EAA) is proposing new activities, services, and education opportunities to face this new reality. The [2021 Education Survey](#) is an excellent opportunity for you to let us know how we could address your needs. It will take less than 10 minutes to answer the questions. Your response to the survey will help us to understand how EAA may deliver more value for you.

REQUEST FOR AFAANZ HISTORIC PHOTOGRAPHS

In July 2022 in Melbourne, on location at Crown, it is planned for AFAANZ members to come together in person to celebrate the 60th Anniversary of the Annual Conference of the Association. In order to mark this event and to help us recall AFAANZ's long and memorable past, we make this request for all members, and past members known to current members, to check their photo albums and other photographic collections held for photos taken at previous Annual Conferences, the first of which was held in 1962 (although the Annual Conference was not held in 1963).

A photo collage will be assembled for prominent display during the 2022 Conference consisting of photos held in the archive of the Association, to be expanded for the 2022 Conference with photos, preferably of small or large groups, that were taken at any past conference in the series. These photos may be either back and white or colour. We only politely request that such photos be sufficiently clear to help in identifying the people in the frame. It is possible that treasured archives of some long-standing University Accounting and Finance Departments/Schools may have photos of the kind tucked away, ready to see the light of day again. Should this be the scenario in your Department/School, kindly check into the availability of any such photos for "marking the occasion" purposes.

Photos available for this purposes may be scanned or otherwise reproduced and forwarded to Tim Jones, Manager, AFAANZ at the following address: jonest@afaanz.org
Any queries arising in relation to this photo collection request for 60th Conference Anniversary purposes may be sent to Garry Carnegie, RMIT University and AHSIG member at: garry.carnegie@rmit.edu.au



Upcoming AFAANZ Events

Insight Series:

- CAANZ - CA Program Update, April 29
 - AASIG - The Effect of Covid on Auditing, May 12
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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.

All details of 2021 courses can be found on the AFAANZ [website](#).

CALL FOR PAPERS and EXEMPLARS

Pacific Accounting Review (Special Issue)

Accounting in Transition: Influence of Technology, Sustainability and Diversity

The impact of new technologies, the escalating social and environmental issues and accounting's ability to adapt to the rapid pace of change and uncertainties are the major challenges facing the accounting profession. These challenges also raise a host of secondary issues that accountants will need to address in the foreseeable future. This special issue aims to encourage submission of papers on the theme "Accounting in Transition" with emphasis on technology, sustainability and diversity. We expect this special issue to generate new ideas of importance for accounting academic and practitioner discourse that will eventually influence change in how accounting is practised. We welcome submission of empirical research articles, viewpoints, reflections and commentary on topics relating to the theme. Click [HERE](#) for more details.

Deadline: 30 April 2021

MEDITARI ACCOUNTANCY RESEARCH

CALL FOR PAPERS, SPECIAL ISSUE ON:

COVID-19 and accounting: Threats to, and opportunities for, accounting education, research and publication, and innovation in professional practice

Submission deadline: 15-05-2021

For more information, click [HERE](#) or contact [Garry Carnegie](#)

Review of Accounting Studies 2021 Conference

Thursday, December 9th and Friday, December 10th, 2021

Hosted by the Marshall School of Business, University of Southern California

The Editors of the Review of Accounting Studies (RAST) are pleased to announce a conference on "Current Topics in Accounting Research" to be hosted online by the University of Southern California.

Papers accepted for the conference are also considered for publication in a conference issue of RAST.

For all the details, click [HERE](#)

The deadline for conference submissions is May 19, 2021 by 11:59 PM

The 2021 PMA Conference and related Special Issue of MAR welcome research on performance measurement and management in a dynamic environment.

The 2021 PMA Conference will be at the University of Groningen, the Netherlands, on July 4-7, 2021.

Authors are welcome to submit their papers for consideration in a special issue of Management Accounting Research. Submission deadline is August 31, 2021. Click [HERE](#) for further details.

The **International Accounting Standards Board (IASB)**, the **Financial Accounting Standards Board (FASB)** and **The Accounting Review (TAR)** have issued a joint call for academic research papers on how key standards are performing in the capital markets. Selected papers will be presented at a joint conference titled Accounting for an Ever-Changing World, currently scheduled for 2-4 November 2022 in New York City, and will be considered for publication in TAR (a publication of the American Accounting Association). For full details click [HERE](#)

The deadline to submit papers is 15 May 2022



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