

May 2021 NEWSLETTER

Dear AFAANZ members

We are excited to be able to announce to our members that our Platinum Sponsor, CA ANZ, has renewed their sponsorship of AFAANZ for a further 3 year term. CPA will renew their Gold Sponsorship for 2021, and furthermore we welcome MYOB who have joined as a Bronze Sponsor for 2021.

We are very excited to be offering a virtual conference again this year and free to all AFAANZ members! The virtual AFAANZ conference will run through the OnAIR Showcase from Monday July 5th to Wednesday July 7th, and supported by our SIG events from Thursday July 1st. The OnAIR Showcase has gone through an upgrade with additional features in the Exhibition Hall and Interactive Research Sessions to improve your conference experience.

Stay tuned for updates on the conference shortly.

We look forward to seeing you in early July.

Jac Birt (Australian President) Tom Scott (New Zealand President)



AFAANZ VIRTUAL CONFERENCE

Registrations will open soon and is complimentary for all AFAANZ members.

KEYNOTES, PANELS, CONCURRENT SESSIONS, POSTERS & EXCITING EXHIBITION SPACE



Enhance your personal brand on Linkedin

Brought to you by Chartered Accountants ANZ and expert Jillian Bullock - LinkedIn Ninja

A 90 minute virtual workshop where you will learn how to best optimise your profile, highlight your accomplishments and build your personal brand

Designed for all levels of LinkedIn users and using real-life examples



Jillian Bullock - LinkedIn Ninja is the only LinkedIn Trainer in the Southern Hemisphere to be recognised by LinkedIn HQ San Francisco as 1 of 12 "Independent LinkedIn Experts"

Thursday 10 June 2021 from 11am to 12.30pm AEST

To register, go to https://www.afaanz.org/afaanz-insight-series



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To register for this event, click <u>HERE</u>.





Fostering the next generation of accounting, business and tech talent: MYOB has announced a new partnership with Beta Alpha Psi in a move that will help more talented graduates transition into the workforce with confidence. Read all about it HERE

Also check out MYOB's latest blog on how professional services firms can attract and retain top talent HERE

FINANCIAL REPORTING INTEREST GROUP

2021 FINANCIAL REPORTING FORUM ONLINE, JULY 3

The 2021 Financial Reporting Forum will be held online as it was in 2020. 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

papers for successful applicants will be required by June 30.

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 May 31. Applicants will be notified by 14 June 2020. Full

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

Phil Hancock Chair



The School of Accounting and Commercial Law invites you to attend a seminar by Theo Stratopoulos

A First Year Data Analytics Course for Accounting Students

Theo's teaching and research focus is on data analytics and emerging technologies. His research has been published in *The Accounting Review, JMIS, Communications of the ACM, Journal of Information Systems, Information & Management, Journal of Strategic Information Systems, IJAIS, and Accounting Horizons.* Theo has authored numerous articles and open-source texts on data analytics and blockchain (see <u>SSRN</u>). He is a member of the *CPA Canada - Audit Data Analytics committee* and senior editor for the *Journal of information Systems.*

When: Friday 21 May 2021 11.00am - 12.20pm and you can register HERE





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AFAANZ is excited to be partnering with CA ANZ and Quitch to bring a fun and engaging learning

experience to ALL first-year accounting students across Australia and New Zealand with our First-Year Accounting Competition!

CA ANZ will award prizes of \$1,000, \$700 and \$300 to the top learners on the Quitch leaderboard at the end of the competition. Additionally, AFAANZ will award a \$500 prize to the winning instructor.

Competition commences at 9:00AM AEST on Monday 17th May 2021. We would appreciate you posting this information of your University LMS and let your students know about the upcoming competition.

Winners will be announced 11 June. Good luck!

For more details, please go to https://www.afaanz.org/quitch

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 on the APIRA webpage

Open invitation to join an international research alliance ...

Professor Robert Faff (Bond University & Emeritus UQ) is creating an exciting new global research network primarily aimed at **research training and capacity building**, resting on a foundation theme of **responsible science**. Importantly, the network aims to inclusively embrace like-minded university researchers centred on the multi-faceted utility provided by the Pitching Research (http://ssrn.com/abstract=2462059) framework, as a natural enabler of responsible science.

Here are a three quick headlines:

- The network name is the "International Society of Pitching Research for Responsible Science" (InSPiR2eS).
- For 2-page summary: What? Why? Who? How? & When?, visit this link
- After just a short time ... the InSPiR2eS research network currently has >250 members, spanning 65 countries/jurisdictions – for some details, click <u>HERE</u>.

If you are interested in joining the **InSPiR2eS** research network and engaging in its upcoming rich program of webinars, workshops and research resources, you are encouraged to register for membership at: <u>https://tinyurl.com/4u6wen43</u>

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 <u>HERE</u>.

Send your applications to info@afaanz.org



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 <u>2021 Education Survey</u> 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: <u>jonest@afaanz.org</u> 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: <u>garry.carnegie@rmit.edu.au</u>



Upcoming AFAANZ Events

Insight Series: AASIG - The Effect of Covid on Auditing, May 12 AFAANZ Doctoral Symposium: June 28 - June 30 AFAANZ Conference: July 5 - July 7

Post-Implementation Review of AASB 1049 Whole of Government and General Government Financial Reporting

Dr Kim Langfield-Smith has been engaged by the Financial Reporting Council to undertake an independent Post-Implementation Review of AASB 1049. The purpose of this review is to evaluate the extent to which AASB 1049 and the budgetary disclosure requirements in AASB 1055 Budgetary Reporting have been successful in harmonising GFS and GAAP reporting, whether the benefits outweigh the costs, and whether any improvements to one or both Standards are needed to assist the Standards to meet their objectives.

A Consultation Paper has been prepared with questions for comment aimed specifically at users of government financial statements and at preparers of government financial statements. If you would like to contribute to this review, please contact Dr Kim Langfield-Smith directly by email langfieldsmithconsulting@outlook.com, or on 0417 327 088.

Due Date for submissions is Monday 9 August 2021.

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

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

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: 31 May 2021

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 <u>HERE</u> for further details.

Hawaii Accounting Research Conference Call for Papers

Conference dates: 3 Jan 2022 - 5 Jan 2022

Submission Deadline: August 15, 2021

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 an enjoyable and affordable venue for attendees to engage in lively discussions about intellectually stimulating accounting research. For more information, click HERE

The **International Journal of Auditing** is going to have a special issue on "Auditing and Assurance for Small Entities." Please click here for the <u>Call for Papers</u>. The closing date is Feb 28, 2022

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 <u>HERE</u> The deadline to submit papers is 15 May 2022

Kathie Cooper is a retiring academic who has a collection of materials dealing with the admission of women to professional accounting bodies and also a near complete set of Australia's first professional accounting journal. If there is anyone who is interested in Australian accounting history and would like these materials, please contact Kathie at: <u>kathie.cooper@bigpond.com</u>



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