AFAANZ’s Finance SIG and InSPiR2eS are holding a shark tank pitch event inviting research teams to propose, either:

- a replication of an important recent finance or capital markets accounting study,
- an original research project.

The shark tank event has 3 (initial) stages:

- an EOI
- written 2-page pitch (based on Faff’s (2021, SSRN)
- oral pitch presentation (based on the written pitch) to a “shark panel” at the event

Following the first two stages, selected teams will be invited to pitch their research idea to the “sharks” (i.e., a panel of journal editors). After each pitch, each shark editor will give a “thumbs up” or “thumbs down”. In those cases where more than one shark editor is interested, a “competitive process” will ensue to achieve the ideal match of pitch to journal. Ultimately, subject to an agreed offer by one of the shark editors, pitches presented at event will be invited to execute the research replication project or original project, and publish the resultant completed paper in a future issue of the “winning” shark’s journal.

In addition to the opportunity to publish the research, the best pitch presented at the event will be awarded a cash prize of $1,000 and will also advance for further consideration in the InSPiR2eS Global Pitching Research Competition.

For full details, please download the Call document

Submission deadline: Monday 11 October 2021

To attend the event on Friday 10th December, click HERE to register
Dear fellow accounting educator,

In 2020 and 2021, the accounting professional bodies (CAANZ and CPA Australia) relaxed requirements for in-person invigilated assessment due to COVID-19. A consortium of universities (UWA, USQ, Monash, University of Tasmania and Victoria University Wellington) are gathering evidence about assessment practices in accredited units pre- and post-COVID-19. Our aim is to provide evidence to the accrediting bodies as they review the future of invigilated assessments for accreditation. A link to a quick 10-15 minutes survey is provided below. We’d greatly appreciate if you would complete this survey on this very important issue of assessment and accreditation for all of us teaching accounting in Higher Education.

Many thanks
Phil Hancock (UWA and project lead), Jac Birt (UWA), Andrew Williams (UWA), Michaela Rankin, (Monash), Lorena Mitrione (Monash), Marie Kavanagh (USQ), Geoff Slaughter (USQ), Paul de Lange (University of Tasmania) and Carolyn Fowler (VUW)

http://uwa.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0J1DhEZyDXRTeES

Quitch is excited to be partnering with Chartered Accountants Australia and New Zealand (CA ANZ), MYOB and AFAANZ to bring another First-Year Accounting Competition to students across Australia and New Zealand! Currently there are 17 different institutions participating and we are only halfway through the competition. It’s not too late for students to join in; so it would be great if more institutions can promote the competition below.

We have some great prizes on offer! CA ANZ is awarding prizes of $1,000, $700 and $300 to the top students on the leaderboard at the end of the competition. Additionally, MYOB is giving away a $100 prize each week ($1,000 total)!

Accounting educators will also have a chance to win with a $500 prize from AFAANZ to be awarded to the top student’s educator.

To be in the running students will need to:
1. Download the Quitch app and register with your university/institution email → http://quitch.app.link/
2. Enroll in the First Year Accounting Competition class via the Quitch marketplace
3. Answer the weekly questions

Competition closes at 5:00 PM AEDT on Wednesday 20 October 2021. Full T&Cs apply → www.quitch.com/competition. Good luck!

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