



Third Annual Cass Mergers and Acquisitions Research Centre Conference

Following the success of the second conference in 2017, we are pleased to announce that the third Cass Mergers and Acquisitions Research Centre (MARC) Conference will be held at Cass Business School, City, University of London on Monday 20 August 2018, again in cooperation with the European Corporate Governance Institute (ECGI).

The conference organizers invite authors to submit original, theoretical and empirical papers covering issues related to mergers and acquisitions (M&A), including deal structure from financing to integration, corporate governance, regulatory changes, domestic and cross border transactions, among others.

PAPER SUBMISSION: The submission deadline is 30 March 2018 at 10pm GMT (United Kingdom time). There is no submission fee. To be eligible for submission, the paper must still be at a revisable stage (i.e. neither forthcoming nor close to being accepted at a journal) by the date of the conference. Please email a pdf version of your paper to CassMARC@city.ac.uk. The file name must be: [presenting author's last name]_[shortened paper title] (for example, Smith_Deal integration.pdf). Please include "MARC2018" in the subject of your email. We expect to notify authors about acceptances by 1 June 2018.

STRUCTURE: Sessions will take place between 8:30am and 5:30pm on Monday 20 August 2018 with a keynote speech during lunch and reception following the conference. The conference dinner for presenters, discussants, and program committee members will be held following the conference on Monday 20 August 2018.

TRAVEL AND ACCOMMODATION: The conference organizers offer complimentary hotel accommodation near the conference venue for two nights 19-20 August 2018 for presenters, discussants, and program committee members.

PROGRAM COMMITTEE: Kenneth Ahern (University of Southern California), Marco Becht (Université libre de Bruxelles & ECGI), Claudia Custodio (Imperial College), Éric de Bodt (Université Lille II), B. Espen Eckbo (Dartmouth College & ECGI), Eliezer Fich (Drexel University), Andrey Golubov (University of Toronto), Jarrad Harford (University of Washington), Dirk Jenter (London School of Economics), Kai Li (University of British Columbia), Harold Mulherin (University of Georgia), Micah Officer (Loyola Marymount University), Robert Parrino (University of Texas at Austin), Raghavendra Rau (University of Cambridge), Stefano Rossi (Purdue University & ECGI), Henri Servaes (London Business School & ECGI), Denis Sosyura (Arizona State University), Sudi Sudarsanam (Cranfield University), Karin Thorburn (Norwegian School of Economics & ECGI), Ralph Walkling (Drexel University).

ABOUT MARC: The Cass M&A Research Centre, founded in 2008, is a breakthrough - the first time a major business school has established a focused centre for research into the global M&A industry. With its proximity to the City of London, Cass is perfectly placed to maintain close contacts with M&A bankers, lawyers, consultants, accountants and other key players. MARC is one of over 20 research centres at Cass, which consistently achieves the highest independent ratings. A number of corporations, regulators, professional services firms, exchanges and universities have been using MARC for swift access to the latest research and practical ideas. MARC is proud to have its Senior Sponsors, Credit Suisse and EY, and Sponsors, Acuris, Ardian, Intralinks and Willis Towers Watson, as research partners. In 2011, MARC was chosen by AACSB to be the 'Spotlight' feature in its Research/Scholarship Resource Center (<http://www.aacsb.edu/~media/AACSB/Publications/Spotlights/research/city-university-london-2011.ashx>).

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