



BITS Pilani
Pilani Campus

Department of
Economics and Finance

ICAEF2023 International Conference on **APPLIED ECONOMICS AND FINANCE**

November 3-4, 2023

FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

CONFERENCE VENUE → BITS Pilani – Pilani Campus (Rajasthan) 333 031, INDIA

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

The global economy has significantly transformed in the last two decades with an increased focus on technology development and innovation. The adverse economic events during this period, such as the Asian financial crisis, global recession, and the recent COVID-19 pandemic, have further sped up the rate of technological advancement, and a similar trend is found worldwide. The period also witnessed a rise in income inequality and other aspects of life, such as health and the environment. These rising inequalities make the economic system imbalanced, where the better-off agents think more about the environment, and the lowest strata are more concerned about their income. The concept of inclusive growth does not seem helpful at the aggregated level. Further, this period also witnessed the development of various financial services. These services support many areas of economic growth through improvement in banking, insurance, and payment systems. Digitalization helped to solve many issues that looked impossible. How businesses and consumers conduct ordinary transactions has been transformed by FinTech. At the international level, countries are focusing on economic sustainability, where the ultimate aim is to save the environment and sustainable development. However, the developed counterparts fail to attract the underdeveloped world towards financial sustainability. The main reason behind this is the low-income trap. The path followed by the developing and emerging countries could be a panacea for the underdeveloped world, but still, they have to go a long way. These problems must be discussed on some platform to arrive at policy suggestions.

ABOUT THE INSTITUTE

Started in the early 1900s as a small school, which gradually blossomed into a set of colleges for higher education ranging from Humanities to Engineering, Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS), Pilani has been recognized as an institution deemed to be a university since 1964. The continuous effort of BITS Pilani to impart the highest quality of technical and management education has been rewarded by the Government of India recently when it achieved the status of Institution of Eminence. Over the years, BITS Pilani has provided the highest quality of technical and management education to students from all over India, admitted on the basis of merit. BITS Pilani is located in the Vidya Vihar campus adjacent to the town of Pilani in Rajasthan.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS AND FINANCE

The Department of Economics & Finance at Pilani Campus is one of the oldest departments of the Institute. The current Master's degree in Economics program started in 1964. At present, it is offering two-tier programs, Integrated M.Sc. Economics with dual Engineering Degree and Ph.D. program of the institute. The Department also offers a Minor in Finance, a Minor in Computational Economics, and Ph.D. (Both Full time and Part Time). The Department focuses on promoting quality education, nurturing young talents, and enriching intellectual contributions regarding research output in identified thrust areas.

PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITY

- All abstracts accepted for presentation will be published in the conference Book of Abstracts.
- Only selected paper will be published in Scopus-indexed journals/ edited books.

CALL FOR PAPERS

Tracks

- Track-1: Emerging Issues in Economics
- Track 2: Emerging Issues in Finance
- Track 3: Environment, Agricultural, and Rural Sector
- Track 4: Socio-Cultural-Economic Sustainability

Call for Submission

The extended abstract (of not more than 350 words as per the submission guidelines) will be sent to the following email id: icaef2023@pilani.bits-pilani.ac.in

Guidelines for Abstract Submission

The abstract must indicate the purpose of the research, methodology, main findings, and policy implications. It is requested that to adhere to the following submission guidelines.

Length	About 350 words, excluding title and keywords
Margin	2.5 cm. or 1 inch
Font	Times New Roman, 12 points
Spacing	1.5
Title Page	Title of the paper, author(s) detail, affiliation, and Contact details
Keywords	Maximum Five words

REGISTRATION FEE

The registration fee is mandatory and includes a conference kit, proceedings, and multiple high tea sessions along with one each of breakfast, lunch, & dinner.

Type of Participants	Participants from India	Participants from Outside India
Faculty/Research Associates/Postdocs	₹ 3000	\$ 200
PhD Research Scholars/Students	₹ 2000	\$ 100
Corporate / Industry/others	₹ 5000	\$ 250

Note: Accommodation will be provided as per the request for nominal charges

Fee is inclusive of GST; Registration fees, once paid, will not be returned in any circumstances

Certificate will only be provided at the time of valedictory session to the participant attended and presented paper.

IMPORTANT DATES

Last date for Abstract Submission	05 August 2023
Communication of acceptance of papers	26 August 2023
Last date for Registration	26 September 2023
Conference date	3 rd - 4 th November 2023
Pre-conference workshop (One Day) on SEM & applied econometrics – Free for registered conference participants	2 November 2023

BEST PAPER AWARDS

Three best paper awards will be given based on reviewers' suggestions.

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