The Inaugural Conference on Intelligent Information Retrieval in Accounting and Finance  
December 17-18, 2018

Sunday, December 16
6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  Welcome Dinner (Invited guests only)

Monday, December 17
8:30 am - 9:00 am  Registration
9:00 am - 9:10 am  Welcome Speech
9:10 am - 10:10 am  Detecting Accounting Frauds in Publicly Traded U.S. Firms: New Perspective and New Method  
Yang Bao  
Bin Ke  
Bin Li  
Y. Julia Yu  
Jie Zhang  
Shanghai Jiao Tong University  
National University of Singapore  
Wuhan University  
University of Virginia  
Nanyang Technological University
10:10 am - 10:30 am  Coffee Break
10:30 am - 11:30 am  Measuring Misreporting Risk in Firms’ 10-K Disclosures and the Auditor’s Role in Mitigating Misstatements  
James R. Moon, Jr.  
Quinn T. Swanquist  
Georgia Institute of Technology  
University of Alabama
11:30 am - 12:30 pm  Exploring the Fraud Triangle’s Third Dimension: Rationalization as Revealed by Verbal and Visual Cues  
Pascale Lapointe-Antunes  
Kevin Veenstra  
Karen Brown  
Heather Li  
Brock University  
McMaster University  
Brock University  
Nanyang Business School
12:30 pm - 2:00 pm  Lunch
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm  Corporate Culture and Mergers and Acquisitions: Evidence from Machine Learning  
Kai Li  
Feng Mai  
Rui Shen  
Xinyan Yan  
University of British Columbia  
Stevens Institute of Technology  
Nanyang Technological University  
University of Dayton
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm  Politics and Specificity of Information: Evidence from Financial Analysts’ Earnings Forecasts in a Relationship-based Economy  
Forester Wong  
T.J. Wong  
Tianyu Zhang  
University of Southern California  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
4:00 pm - 4:20 pm  Coffee Break
4:20 pm - 5:20 pm  
*Information Acquisition and Expected Returns: Evidence from EDGAR Search Traffic*

 Frank Weikai Li  
 Singapore Management University

 Chengzhu Sun  
 Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm  
 Dinner

Tuesday, December 18

9:00 am - 10:00 am  
*Bulls and Bears: Disagreement and Trading Volume around News Announcements*

 Adam Booker  
 University of Arkansas

 Asher Curtis  
 University of Washington

 Vernon J. Richardson  
 University of Arkansas

10:00 am - 11:00 am  
*Evolution of Financial Studies Over Forty Years: What Can We Learn from Machine Learning?*

 Zigan Wang  
 The University of Hong Kong