



**CALL FOR PAPERS - AFS 2024**  
**UNIVERSITY OF CAGLIARI – ITALY**  
**JULY 18-20, 2024**

**NAVIGATING UNCHARTED WATERS:  
ADDRESSING GLOBAL CHALLENGES THROUGH ETHICS,  
SUSTAINABILITY, COOPERATION, AND INNOVATION**

**KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**

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The AfriMed Finance Association (AFS) is pleased to invite theoretical and empirical paper submissions for its annual conference (AFS 2024), scheduled to take place on the picturesque Mediterranean island of Sardinia (Italy). The University of Cagliari will host the event from July 18 to July 20, 2024.

AFS 2024 aims at bringing together leading scholars in finance and accounting as well as other business disciplines, for presentations on, but not limited to, the following topics:

- SDGs, Sustainability, and Finance
- Blue Energy, Climate Change, Decarbonization, and their Financial Implications
- Sustainable Financing: Green Bonds, Conservation Bonds, ESG-Linked Loans
- Corporate Governance and Sustainability: Sustainability-Conscious Boards, Sustainability-Linked Executive Pay, Sustainability-Conscious market participants (Investors, Analysts, Investors, Lenders, CRAs, Auditors, etc.)
- Banking and Sustainability: Risks (Systemic, Credit, Liquidity)
- Greenwashing and the Rise of ESG Skepticism
- Culture, accountability, political connections, social connections, and sustainability
- Non-Financial Disclosures: Determinants & Economic Implications
- Conventional Finance and Emerging Trends: Asset Pricing, Banking, Corporate Finance, ESG, FinTech, Machine Learning, Textual Analysis and Big Data
- Corporate Policies, Corporate Misconduct, and Artificial Intelligence
- Financial and Economic Cooperation and Regional Integration
- Corporate Ownership: State Ownership, Family Ownership, Institutional Ownership, Dual Ownership, and Activism
- Role of Leaders and Human Resource Management in Navigating Uncertain Times
- Supply Chain: Risks, Management and Optimization

## **TIMELINE AND SUBMISSION PROCESS**

### **Conference Dates and Venue**

July 18-20, 2024

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### **Conference Submissions**

Conference submissions should be sent to: [info@afrimedfinance.com](mailto:info@afrimedfinance.com). The due date to submit conference papers is **March 15, 2024**. Early submissions preferred. Authors will be notified by early April, whether their paper is considered to be presented and discussed at this conference.

### **Publication Opportunities**

In consultation with editors in chief, selected papers will be considered for publication in *Research in International Business and Finance* (RIBAF). Publication opportunities will be also provided in a ‘special theme’ issue of the *Emerging Markets Review* (EMR).