One day

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FINANCIAL INCLUSION

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**BACKGROUND AND SCOPE OF THE CONFERENCE**

Financial inclusion or inclusive financing is the delivery of financial services at affordable costs to sections of disadvantaged and low-income segments of society. Global trends have shown that in order to achieve inclusive development and growth, the expansion of financial services to all sections of society is of utmost importance. As a whole, financial inclusion in the rural as well as financially backward pockets of cities is a win-win opportunity for everybody involved – the banks/NBFC's intermediaries, and the left-out urban population.
CALL FOR PAPERS

We invite scholarly articles on the below topics, but not limited to:

Suggested Themes

♦ Theme 1 - Finance
  Digital financial inclusion and financial security
  Recent trends in financial inclusion
  Banking institutions and financial inclusion
  Innovative methods in financial inclusion
  Financial inclusion and financial stability
  Microfinance and self-help groups
  Crowd funding and financial inclusion
  Social banking
  Mobile money and financial inclusion

♦ Theme 2 - Technology/General
  Digital financial services and financial stability
  Use of information and communication technology (ICT)
  Women empowerment and financial inclusion
  Digital technologies for financial inclusion

♦ Theme 3 – Economy
  Financial Exclusion and poverty
  Indicators of financial inclusion
  Financial inclusion and development
  Financial inclusion and inequality

Target Audience:

Finance Professionals, Academicians, Research Scholars, Economists and other stakeholders.
Mr. Paul Thomas is the Founder and Chairman of ESAF Group of Social Enterprises including ESAF Small Finance Bank and ESAF Microfinance and Investments Pvt Ltd. He has more than 21 years in the microfinance sector. He was previously with Indian Farmers Fertilizers Co-operative Ltd (IFFCO) and is on the Board of apex microfinance body MFIN. He is the founder and President of Kerala Association of Microfinance Institutional Entrepreneurs (KAMFI). Mr. Paul has also won several awards and recognitions namely Dhanam Marketing Man of the Year 2016, Entrepreneur of the Year 2016 by TiE Kerala, Special Jury Award instituted by Chamber of Indian Micro Small & Medium Enterprises.

Mr. HarithirthamVijayabalan is currently Director and Chief Internal Auditor in Bank of Maldives, Male. He has over 30 years of experience in banking and financial services industry and has held Senior Management positions in organizations such as HSBC Bank, Reinsurance Company Oman, DCB Bank India, ICICI OneSource Solutions Ltd, India and Reserve Bank of India. He is a Certified Internal Auditor, Certified Information Systems Auditor (CISA) and Certified Internal Information System Auditor. He is a former Board member of ISACA Mumbai Chapter and IIA Muscat Chapter. He is a Panel Member - IBA forum of Governance Risk and Compliance (GRC) and was founder-Member, Compliance Officers’ forum of Foreign Banks in Mumbai in 1996.
Registration for Paper Presentation:

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Online registration is available. Delegates attending and/or presenting papers at the international conference are requested to register and send the registration fee by demand draft drawn in favor of SSTM payable at Ernakulam, India on or before the respective deadlines.

Program Fee

Rs.800 (includes conference kit, lunch and refreshments).

Last date for submission of Abstract: 16th Oct, 2017

Acceptance of the Abstract: 23rd Oct, 2017

Full paper submission: 10th Nov, 2017

Abstracts to be sent to: icf@scmsgroup.org

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