ABFER 13th ANNUAL CONFERENCE

18 – 21 MAY 2026 | CONRAD SINGAPORE ORCHARD

ASIAN BUREAU OF FINANCE AND ECONOMIC RESEARCH

Program Summary

MONDAY 18 MAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am
REGISTRATION

9:00 am – 12:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Accounting
- Corporate Finance
- Real Estate and Urban Economics (Joint with IREUS)

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
LUNCH

2:00 pm – 5:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Behavioural, Experimental Economics and Finance (Joint with HKUST)
- Sustainable and Green Finance (Joint with SGFIN)
- Tech, Digital Markets and AI (Joint with GIFTS, SEA & SKBI)

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Registration

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
ABFER Welcome Dinner and Keynote Speech
"The Convenience Yield of US Treasuries: Can we take it for granted?"
Prof Viral Acharya (New York University)

TUESDAY 19 MAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am
REGISTRATION

9:00 am – 12:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Investment Finance
- Labour Economics
- Sustainable and Green Finance (Joint with SGFIN)

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
Academic Luncheon Keynote 1
"Why We Keep Choosing Bad Policies"
Prof Ross Levine (Stanford University)

2:00 pm – 5:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Accounting
- Household Finance (Joint with IREUS)
- Tech, Digital Markets and AI (Joint with GIFTS, SEA & SKBI)

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
POSTER SESSION

6:30 pm – 8:30 pm
ABFER Annual General Meeting (AGM) & ABFER Senior Fellow Meeting
(by invitation only)

WEDNESDAY 20 MAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am
REGISTRATION

9:00 am – 12:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Behavioural, Experimental Economics and Finance (Joint with HKUST)
- Household Finance (Joint with IREUS)
- Tech, Digital Markets and AI (Joint with GIFTS, SEA & SKBI)
- Trade, Growth and Development

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
Academic Luncheon Keynote 2
"The Micro and Macro Effects of Government Household Transfers"
Prof Valerie Ramey (Stanford University)

2:00 pm – 5:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Corporate Finance
- International Macroeconomics, Money & Banking
- Labour Economics
- Real Estate and Urban Economics (Joint with IREUS)

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm
POSTER SESSION

6:30 pm – 6:45 pm
Poster Session – Prize presentation

THURSDAY 21 MAY

8:30 am – 9:00 am
REGISTRATION

9:00 am – 12:30 pm
PARALLEL PROGRAMS
- Health Economics (Joint with NTU Singapore)
- International Macroeconomics, Money & Banking
- Investment Finance
- Trade, Growth and Development

12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
LUNCH

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
MASTER CLASS
"Geoeconomics"
Prof Matteo Maggiori (Stanford University)

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Registration

6:30 pm – 9:00 pm
Joint Dinner for ABFER & AMPF
Keynote Speech
"The Global Economy in Multiple Complex Transitions"
Prof Michael Spence (Stanford University)

CONFERENCE ENDS