3rd Annual Conference: Gold & Gold Markets

February 7-8, 2020 | at India Habitat Centre, New Delhi

INDIA GOLD POLICY CENTRE

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Some of the topics are as follows, although not limited to:

- OTC, spot and derivatives exchange platforms
- Financing structures from mining to retailing
- Gold’s silent role as a quasi-currency in international markets
- Structure and pricing efficiency of gold markets
- Consumer behavior with respect to gold
- Retailing and logistics of gold
- Central Bank policies relating to gold
- Taxes and tariffs on gold trade
- Household finance and gold
- Linkages among gold and other precious metals, commodities, equity and debt
- Implications of macroeconomic (fiscal, monetary and trade) policies for gold markets
- Understanding the incentives for people to purchase and hoard gold
- Comparative analysis on gold based investment products - global and domestic, with regulatory and infrastructural perspective
- Understand policy options to explore how Indian banks can treat gold as another retail investment product
- Regulatory architecture of Indian gold trade
Format for papers

Length: Maximum 10,000 words (including references)
Margins: 2.5 cm. or 1 inch
Font: Times New Roman, 12 point; Spacing 1.5
Title Page: Title, author(s), affiliation(s), contact details
Key Words: Minimum Four
Papers in LaTeX or other formats are also allowed

Selection process of papers/case studies

The submissions for papers/case studies will be peer reviewed and only those approved by the reviewers will be selected. An electronic copy of the papers in MS Office Word 2007/2010 version/ LaTeX should be mailed to the conference team not later than December 15, 2019 to indiagoldevent@iima.ac.in. The authors of selected papers will be provided return airfare charges, and complimentary accommodation for two night stay if travelling from within India.

Travel allowance of up to $1000 (USD) and complementary accommodation for three nights will be provided for up to five international participants based on the merits of the submission. For those not seeking travel allowance, IGPC would provide the reimbursement on receipt of all travel related expenses from the international participants for value not exceeding $1,000/- (USD)

Registration Guidelines

Registration can be made through Payment gateway available at the IGPC webpage of IIMA website. Registration forms can be downloaded from the website. The registration form should be sent along with the payment details.

Revised registration fees:

- Any industry stakeholder - India/Outside India - Rs. 10,000/-
- Academicians - India/Outside India - Rs. 5,000/-

Please note that the registration fee once paid will not be refunded.

Registration fee would cover lunch and snacks on both the days of conference, and dinner on February 7, 2020.

For any queries related to registration please write to Ms. Minal Marathe, minalm@iima.ac.in; Tel. No. 079 66324455; Mobile No.: 9904989439

Important Dates

- Last date for submission of papers/case studies: Dec 15, 2019
- Notification of selected papers/case studies: Dec 31, 2019
- Early bird registration: Nov 30, 2019
- Conference Dates: Feb 7-8, 2020

MCX-IIMA award for Excellence in Research on Gold

We invite nominations for the MCX-IIMA award for excellence in research on gold. The award carries a cash prize of $3,500/- (equivalent in INR for resident of India), to be given at the conference on February 7, 2020. All the cost related to travel and accommodation for the awardee will be covered by the center.

The applicants will be evaluated on the following criteria:
1. The research has been cited the most by academicians, indicating their influence on the subject, or their work has helped add more work in gold.
2. Researchers who have written books that are considered the most influential in the gold market.
3. The publications and research findings may not be directly related to gold but leads to a greater relevance on the policies related to gold.
4. Researchers whose contribution in the form of data collection and market intelligence has left a strong foot print in the global gold market.

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Category Early Bird registration From 1st November, 2019
Academician INR 5,000 INR 5,000
Stakeholders from industry INR 10,000 INR 20,000
Foreign delegates USD 250 USD 500

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