

## Call for Papers

# 9<sup>th</sup> Entrepreneurial Finance (ENTFIN) Conference July 2-4 in Rotterdam

We are pleased to announce that the 9<sup>th</sup> edition of the **ENTFIN conference** will be organized by the **Rotterdam School of Management** on **July 3-4, 2025** and preceded by a **PhD Workshop** on **July 2, 2025**. The conference chairs wish to emphasize the disciplinary-spanning character of entrepreneurial finance research and welcome submissions from economics, finance, strategy, and entrepreneurship angles. The conference will bring together researchers to facilitate the discussion and development of new ideas in entrepreneurial finance in a stimulating environment. The conference is an initiative of the [ENTFIN Association](#).

The program of the **Conference** will consist of regular parallel sessions (with discussants) and a keynote lecture by Prof. **Juanita González-Urbe** (London School of Economics). The program will also feature a plenary session on *"Reproducibility of Entrepreneurial Finance Research"* with Prof. **Christophe Pérignon** (HEC Paris) and Dr. **John Mills** (Erasmus University) and a special session showcasing papers whose results have been reproduced and certified by [CASCAD](#).

The **PhD Workshop** is a one-day event held before the main conference intended for PhD students who are nearing completion of their PhD in Entrepreneurial Finance (broadly defined) and about to enter the job market. It provides students with an excellent opportunity to present their paper and receive detailed feedback from senior discussants. The PhD Workshop will also feature a keynote lecture by Prof. **Ulrich Hege** (Toulouse School of Economics).

### Conference chairs

- Thomas Lambert (RSM) and Peter Roosenboom (RSM)

### Dates

- PhD Workshop: Wednesday July 2, 2025
- Conference: Thursday July 3 and Friday July 4, 2025
- Gala Dinner: Thursday July 3, 2025

### Venue

Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University, Burgemeester Oudlaan 50, 3062 PA Rotterdam, the Netherlands. The Conference and PhD Workshop are in-person.

### Paper submission procedure

Authors interested in presenting their paper at the Conference or PhD Workshop are asked to send their complete paper (including author information) in PDF format to [entfin2025@rsm.nl](mailto:entfin2025@rsm.nl) no later than **March 23, 2025**. There is no submission fee. Importantly, submitting authors are asked to indicate in the e-mail whether they want their paper to be also considered for the [PhD Workshop](#) or the [CASCAD special session](#) featuring reproduced papers (see below). The authors of accepted papers will be notified by end of April 2025.

### CASCAD special session

The CASCAD special session at the conference will feature papers whose results have been reproduced by CASCAD (Certification Agency for Scientific Code And Data). Authors are invited to select this option when submitting their paper. Papers accepted for this session will undergo reproduction and certification by CASCAD prior to the conference, at no additional cost. Therefore, authors of accepted papers for the CASCAD special session are required to submit their paper, code, and data to CASCAD within three weeks prior to the conference. Detailed information regarding the code and data submission requirements can be found [here](#).

Moreover, authors will receive a 10% discount on conference registration fees. This special session, featuring certified papers only, aims to emphasize commitment of our research community to promote open science and integrity in research. Authors are thus encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to showcase their research while promoting transparency and reproducibility in entrepreneurial finance.

### Best paper awards

- The 2025 ENTFIN Best Paper Award
- The 2025 ENTFIN Best Doctoral Paper Award
- The 2025 European Investment Fund Best Paper Award on Policy Impact Assessment

Each category (except the Policy Impact Assessment) will have a winner and a runner-up and includes a prize money.

### Topics

We invite all papers that are related to entrepreneurial finance. Topics of interests include everything related to entrepreneurial finance, from the evaluation of venture opportunities, deal valuation, contract and structure, corporate governance, sources of financing (bootstrapping, personal wealth, 3Fs, bank lending, crowdfunding, token offerings, angel investors, corporate investors, venture capital, venture debt, private equity, government funding, etc.), exit strategies, entrepreneur-investor relationships, capital market and regulatory environment facing entrepreneurial ventures, to policy evaluation of publicly supported financial instruments (e.g., PE/VC, credit guarantee schemes, securitization), and their societal outcomes/real effects (entrepreneurship, innovation, growth dynamics, sustainability).

For this edition we are particularly interested on entrepreneurial ecosystem and public policy:

- The structure and geography of entrepreneurial ecosystems
- How entrepreneurs, investors, and supporting parties (such as universities, large established companies, consultants) interact within an ecosystem
- What public policies foster the entrepreneurial environment (e.g., government funding of entrepreneurial ventures, tax credits, regulation of capital markets)
- How publicly supported financial instruments affect target beneficiary firms and the broader ecosystem
- The importance of global movements of capital and talent across ecosystems

### Conference registration and fees

- Conference registration opens on April 21, 2025.
- Registration fee for Conference: EUR 390 (include EUR 50 annual membership to ENTFIN association)\*
- Registration fee for PhD Workshop: EUR 190 (include also access to the Conference and Gala Dinner)
- The registration fee for registrations after June 15, 2025: EUR 450
- The registration fee will cover lunches, coffee breaks, and the Gala Dinner.

*\* There is 10% reduction for papers accepted for the CASCAD session*

### Scientific committee

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