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Call for Papers
Conference on Financial Distress, Bankruptcy, and Corporate Finance

Date: August 9-10, 2019
Venue: Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, India

The Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad (IIMA), in partnership with the World Bank Group, seeks high quality research papers, cases, and perspective articles for a two-day Conference on financial distress, bankruptcy and corporate finance at IIMA Campus during August 9-10, 2019. The Conference will facilitate interaction among academia, policy makers, regulators, lawyers, international institutions, private sector, and other key stakeholders.

Conference Topics
An illustrative list of topics identified for the Conference is provided below:

- Corporate debt in emerging and advanced economies
- Corporate defaults and debt restructuring
- Sovereign debt and defaults
- Role of collateral in lending
- Collective action clauses and covenants in bond financing
- Role of governing laws in debt contracts
- Creditor rights and firm behaviour
- Debt enforcement and bankruptcy regimes
- Streamlining insolvency legal procedure
- Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code (IBC) in India
- Comparing Debt Recovery Tribunals and IBC legal regime in India
- Emerging role of National Company Law Tribunal (NCLT) in India
- Insolvency professionals and relationship with firms
- Role of sovereign and corporate credit ratings
- Credit reporting systems (credit bureaus and credit registries)
- Default risk in real estate and household debt
- Securitization and market for distressed assets
Research papers in related topics will also be considered. An abstract with the research question, methodology and findings (within 300 words) needs to be submitted to debtconf@iima.ac.in by March 31, 2019, in order to be considered for the conference. Full papers will need to be submitted by May 31, 2019. Conference participants will have the option to submit their paper for publication in a Special Issue of IIMA's Vikalpa journal. Limited financial support for travel may be provided selectively for presenters.

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