

CALL FOR PAPERS

On February 20, 2009, the Journal of Transnational Law and Contemporary Problems (TLCP) at the University of Iowa College of Law, in conjunction with the University of Iowa Center for International Finance & Development (UICIFD), will hold a symposium on Financial Markets and Systemic Risk: The Global Repercussions of the U.S. Subprime Mortgage Meltdown. The purposes of the one-day symposium are three-fold. First, the symposium will seek to identify the causes and origins of the current international financial crisis. Second, it will assess the regulatory responses in the U.S. and abroad, as well as cooperatives responses among the various regional and international organizations. Finally, it will explore ways in which future financial crises of similar ilk can be prevented.

The TLCP and UICIFD invite interested persons to submit abstracts of papers relating to the themes of the symposium's three panels listed below. The deadline for abstract submission is set forth below. The papers will be published in the TLCP in the winter of 2009, and the journal will arrange for funding to cover transportation and lodging for the symposium's participants.

- The Anatomy of Contagion: In light of the origins of the current crisis in the U.S. subprime mortgage market, potential topics should focus on the making of international financial crises, including how they originate and what mechanism contribute to the potential for spill-over into other financial institutions and markets.
- Strength and Weaknesses of the Regulatory Responses to the Crisis: Papers for this panel might address the following questions: How do the responses of regulatory bodies to previous global financial crises compare to the proposals and actions today? Have the regulatory bodies' responses been adequate? Should regulators have detected warning signs? Considering the global nature of the problem, could there have been a better response to the crisis on the part of national, regional and global institutions? How have regulatory responses affected stakeholders within and across national borders?
- Look into the Future: Are there global solutions to prevent the occurrence of another global financial crisis of the kind we have witnessed today? If global solutions are not advisable or feasible, should solutions be nationally or regionally based? Is the answer more regulation? What about moral hazard? What about systemic risk? Have we reached the point where certain financial entities are too connected to fail? Is further global integration the answer? Is it possible to have more integration without creating a higher risk of moral hazard and liquidity shocks?

The deadline for submission of the abstracts is Monday, July 21, 2008. However, we encourage interested panelists to submit their abstracts as soon as possible. All submissions should be e-mailed to TLCP Editor in Chief, Minji Kim at Minji-Kim@uiowa.edu. She may be contacted by phone at 201-961-2388. **The TLCP will respond to the submissions on or before August 31, 2008.** Selected authors will be required to submit drafts of their papers by October 31, 2008. Final drafts of the papers will be due August 1, 2009.