European Commission - Joint Research Centre

4th Summer School on Sustainable Finance

July 7-8, 2022 **Hybrid**

CALL FOR PAPERS and REGISTRATION

DEADLINE for paper submission: April 30, 2022

Free to attend - Register here

The Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission, is pleased to announce the fourth edition of its <u>Summer School on Sustainable Finance</u>. The summer school will be held on **July 7-8**, **2022** as a **hybrid event**.

TOPIC

The most serious phase of the COVID-19 pandemic seems to be, hopefully, on the wane. At the same time, scientific evidence highlights the urgent need to scale up ambition to address the global most pressing priority: climate change and environmental degradation. In that respect, by maintaining and increasing the momentum from past and ongoing policy actions, Europe shows its determination to deliver on its commitment to become the first climate-neutral continent by 2050.

The adoption of many fundamental regulations during the past years by the European Commission could be "the end of the beginning". Moving forward, various issues need to be addressed; sustainability disclosures need to be enhanced, biodiversity loss needs to be reversed and related risks need to be better understood, among others. These can be achieved by the collaborative engagement of all stakeholders, including financial market participants, and based on sound scientific evidence.

For this reason, the JRC Summer School on Sustainable Finance brings together the community of academics, policymakers and professionals who work on these topics. By doing so, it exposes researchers to the most demanding issues faced by the industry and helps them produce policyrelevant research. At the same time, it provides independent scientific advice to policy, reaffirming the crucial role of research in informing policy-making.

ORGANISATION OF THE SCHOOL

The school addresses different types of communities, including scientists and policy officers working at public and/or international institutions, as well as private-sector experts active in the field of sustainable finance. To facilitate cross-fertilization and promote the development of policy-relevant research and science-based policy, the event will feature both academic sessions and more policy-oriented lectures.







Papers in the broader field of sustainable finance, including sustainability reporting and climate risk, are welcome for presentation.

The event and the social dinner are free of charge upon registration. As a social event a visit at the <u>nuclear research reactor ESSOR</u> will be organised, free of charge. However, participants will need to cover their travel and accommodation costs. The JRC will provide practical assistance in booking reasonably-priced accommodation in the local area and arrange local transportation according to a fixed timetable.

VENUE

The event will be a hybrid one, both online and at the JRC's premises in Ispra, Italy. The JRC in Ispra is the third biggest European Commission site after Brussels and Luxembourg. Established in 1960 as a nuclear research site, today is considered as one of Europe's leading research campuses with many laboratories and unique research infrastructures. Beautifully set at the foot of the hills with a splendid view on Lake Maggiore, Lombardy region, Ispra has around five thousand inhabitants. The main tourist attraction in Ispra is the lakeshore with lakeside pedestrian walks. The nearest big city is Milan (60 km).

REGISTRATION

To follow the event, either remotely or in person, please register at:

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/SustFin2022

Please note that a limited number of participants can physically attend the Summer School and its social events. Therefore, available places will be filled on a first-come-first-served basis. Details for participation will be sent by email to registered participants.

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Please send a full paper or an extended abstract to <u>JRC-COPFIR@ec.europa.eu</u> with "Submission Summer School on Sustainable Finance" in the email's subject line, by **April 30**, 2022.

KEY DATES

Deadline for paper submission: **April 30**, 2022

Notification of acceptance: May 13, 2022

School dates: **July 7-8**, 2022

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