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Call for papers

Conference on the Economics of Payments XVI
2–3 June 2027, Zurich, Switzerland

The Swiss National Bank is hosting the Economics of Payments XVI conference. The event will take place on 2–3 June 2027, in Zuerich (Switzerland).

The conference brings together scholars, academics, and experts from national and international institutions with the aim of fostering debate and research on the functioning, evolution, and regulation of both retail and wholesale payment systems. An academic keynote lecture will be delivered by Darrell Duffie (Stanford University).

Call for papers

Interested researchers or policymakers are invited to submit research or policy-related papers on the topics of payments and financial market infrastructures, including but not limited to:

- Applications of payment data in economics
- Risks to the safety and efficiency of payment, clearing, and settlement systems, including operational and cyber resiliency and liquidity risks
- The interaction between post-trade FMI and trading, market liquidity, and asset prices
- The role of cash and other payment instruments in supporting a safe, resilient, inclusive, and efficient retail payment system
- Structural change in retail and wholesale payments, and its consequences for payment choice, the real economy, and the financial system
- Innovations in retail and wholesale payments (e.g., distributed ledger technology, fintech, fast payment systems, AI, agentic payments, predictive analytics and fraud, post-quantum cryptography) and their implications for policy and regulation
- New forms of money and payment instruments, such as CBDCs, tokenized commercial bank deposits and assets, stablecoins and their interaction with traditional FMI
- Cross-border payments, geopolitical fragmentation, technology, standards, and their implications for the international monetary system
- Competition, pricing, and market structure in FMI services markets
- Adoption and use of payment instruments and platforms and their implications for household finance and financial intermediation

The deadline for submissions of completed papers is **22 January 2027** (extended abstracts will also be considered). Authors are asked to submit their paper (English; preliminary or full version, including abstract, JEL codes, keywords and references) using our online submission website at: https://editorialexpress.com/conference/econpaymentsxvi by 22 January 2027. Accepted papers will be selected for either sessions or poster presentations. If you wish to be considered only for sessions or poster presentations, please indicate this explicitly in the remarks field (Submitter's Comments). Authors of accepted contributions will be notified by end of March 2027. Limited travel funding for academic speakers will be available. The conference will be held by invitation only.

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Important Dates

- Submission deadline: 22 January 2027
- Notification of review results: End of March 2027
- Conference event: Zurich, 2–3 June 2027

Related Event: SNB-CIF Conference on Cryptoassets & Financial Innovation

We would also like to draw your attention to next year's SNB-CIF Conference on Cryptoassets and Financial Innovation, which will be organised by the Swiss National Bank and will take place in Zurich on **4 June 2027**. We encourage you to visit the conference website for further information.