Schedule – ABFR Inaugural Workshop & Doctoral Research Symposium

Date: 21 November 2026 (Saturday)

Venue: Nanyang Business School, Nanyang Technological University (Singapore); NBS Auditorium (Level 1)

Organizing Committee: Professor Will Cong (NTU), Professor Pietro Bini (Boston University), Professor Léa H. Stern (University of Washington)

Format: Workshop papers: 25-minute presentations + 5-minute Q&A. Doctoral Symposium: 20-minute presentations + 10-minute discussion.

Time	Activity
08:30 – 08:50	Registration
08:50 – 08:55	Welcome and opening remarks — Professor Léa H. Stern
09:00 – 10:00	**Paper Session I: AI and Asset Pricing**
	Forecasting with News-Implied Firm Networks Gustavo Schwenkler (Santa Clara University)
	Anonymization and Information Loss Dexin Zhou (Baruch College, CUNY)
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee Break / Networking
10:30 – 11:30	**Paper Session II: AI Markets and Corporate Decisions**
	Circular Investment as a Screening Device in AI Compute Markets Kumar Rishabh (HEC Lausanne)
	AI Sovereignty Yuezhi Wu (Fudan University)
11:30 – 12:30	Keynote Address — Professor Sydney C. Ludvigson
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 16:00	**Doctoral Research Symposium Session I: AI and Asset Pricing**
	Changing the Subject: How Managerial Attention Reallocation Obscures Bad News John Ampong (University of South Carolina) · (Zoom Presentation)
	Reading Between the Lines Thomas Zhang (University of Pittsburgh) · (Zoom Presentation)
	Residual Learning in Empirical Asset Pricing Dexin Peng (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)
	Optimizing Bitcoin Trend Trading under Market Inefficiency: Momentum, Long Memory, and Learning Shuyue Li (University of Southampton)
	From Words to Portfolios: Disentangling Narrative and Reality in Mutual Fund Differentiation Ge Yu (Stockholm School of Economics)
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break / Networking
16:30 – 17:30	**Doctoral Research Symposium Session II: AI and Firms' Strategic Decisions**
	Firm-level Data Assets and Inorganic Growth Ke Bi (University of Edinburgh)
	AI in Supply Chains: Measurement, Growth, and Adaptability Yuhang He (Nanyang Technological University)
18:00 – 21:00	Dinner for speakers and organizers (by invitation only)