R/Finance 2009 Applied Finance with R April 24th and 25th at the University of Illinois at Chicago

The first annual R/Finance conference for applied finance using **R**, the premier free software system for statistical computation and graphics, will be held this spring in Chicago, IL, USA on Friday April 24 and Saturday April 25.

The two-day conference will cover topics including portfolio management, time series analysis, advanced risk tools, high-performance computing, and econometrics. All will be discussed within the context of using \mathbf{R} as a primary tool for financial risk management and trading.

Registration and information at: http://www.RinFinance.com

Friday April 24th

3:00 PM	- 3:45 PM	Grossman: Cloud-based Architectures for Financial Applications Using R
3:45 PM	- 4:30 PM	Kane: Matching Portfolios
		Break (15 Minutes)
4:45 PM	- 5:15 PM	Leitner/Hofmarcher: Latent Variable Approach to Validate Credit Ratings
5:15 PM	- 5:45 PM	Rowe: Filtering Noise in Correlation Matrices
5:45 PM	- 6:15 PM	Lewis: Backtesting Trading Rules with parallelR
6:15 PM	- 7:30 PM	Conference Reception (East Terrace)

Saturday April 25th

8:00 AM	-	9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast (Inner Circle)
9:00 AM	-	9:45 AM	Ruppert: Statistics for Financial Engineering: Some Examples
9:45 AM	-	10:30 AM	Wuertz: Portfolio Analysis and Optimization with R/Rmetrics
			Break (15 Minutes)
10:45 AM	-	11:15 AM	Yollin: R Tools for Portfolio Optimization
11:15 AM	-	11:45 AM	Kumar: Numerical Integration and Exotics
11:45 AM	-	12:15 PM	Yoon: Event Study: Change-Point Model
			Lunch (Inner Circle 60 Minutes)
1:15 PM	-	2:00 PM	Koenker: Quantile Regression: For Fin and Fun
2:00 PM	-	2:45 PM	Burns: Random Portfolios - Practice and Theory
			Break (15 Minutes)
3:00 PM	-	3:30 PM	Lopes: Particle Learning and Smoothing
3:30 PM	-	4:00 PM	Matteson: ICA for Multivariate Nonlinear Financial Time Series
4:00 PM	-	4:30 PM	Rheinberger: VEC and GVAR Models using R
			Break (15 Minutes)
4:45 PM	-	5:30 PM	Zivot: Making the Transition from S-PLUS and S+FinMetrics and Using R in a Hedge Fund of Funds Environment
5:30 PM	-	6:00 PM	Liu: Detecting Structural Breaks
6:00 PM	-	6:30 PM	Chalabi/Wuertz: Econometrics and Practice: Mind the Gap







