

## PolyU Digital Finance Symposium 2026 Roundtable

19 March 2026 (Thursday)

Venue: Private Dining Room 1937, Level 28, Hotel ICON

Time: 14:00-18:00 pm

Time	Programme
14:00-14:30	Registration
14:30-14:50	<b>Paper 1: Government Influence on Corporate Blockchain Disclosures</b> <b>Presenter: Xiaoyang Li</b> , The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
14:50-15:00	Q&A
15:00-15:20	<b>Paper 2: Using Machines to Advance Better Models of the Crypto Return Cross-Section</b> <b>Presenter: Zhaowei Zhang</b> , The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
15:20-15:30	Q&A
15:30-15:50	<b>Paper 3: Auditing Black-Box Algorithms: Evidence from Field Experiments</b> <b>Presenter: Jing Zhao</b> , The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
15:50-16:00	Q&A
16:00-18:00	Cocktail
18:00	Pre-conference Dinner by invitation (Above & Beyond, Hotel Icon)

## PolyU Digital Finance Symposium 2026

20 March 2026 (Friday)

Venue: Poly U, Li Ka Shing Tower, 16/F, M1603

Time: 8:45am - 5:30pm (Registration starts at 8:45 am)

09:00-09:05	Welcome Remarks	Chi Nien Chung, Associate Dean, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
09:05-10:45	<b>Session 1: Digitalization of Financial Markets</b> Chair: Jie Cao, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	
09:05-09:55	Paper 1	<b>Measuring Misinformation in Financial Markets</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Yang Song, University of Washington
	Discussant	Prof. Alan Kwan, The University of Hong Kong
09:55-10:45	Paper 2	<b>Breaking the Data Chain: The Ripple Effects of Data Sharing Restrictions on Financial Markets</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Huan Tang, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania
	Discussant	Prof. Gloria Yu, Singapore Management University
10:45-11:10	Group photo/Tea Break	
11:10-12:10	Keynote	<b>Building Economic World Models</b>
	Presenter	Prof. William Cong, President's Chair Professor in Finance, Computing and Data Science, Associate Dean at NBS, Nanyang Technological University
12:10-13:45	Conference Lunch (Ju Yin House)	
13:45-15:25	<b>Session 2: Using Generative AI and Deep Learning in Finance</b> Chair: Byoung Kang, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	
13:45-14:35	Paper 3	<b>When AI Fails: A Natural Experiment on Generative AI's Role in Crypto Markets</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Charles Cao, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
	Discussant	Prof. Jungsuk Han, Seoul National University
14:35-15:25	Paper 4	<b>Contextualized CEO Effect</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Dave Ding, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
	Discussant	Prof. Philipp Krueger, University of Geneva
15:25-15:45	Tea Break	
15:45-17:25	<b>Session 3: Blockchain &amp; Tokenization</b> Chair: Daniel Nathan, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University	
15:45-16:35	Paper 5	<b>Smart Contracting in Network Markets</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Chaojun Wang, The Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania
	Discussant	Prof. John Kuong, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
16:35-17:25	Paper 6	<b>Tokenized Gold</b>
	Presenter	Prof. Daniel Rabetti, National University of Singapore
	Discussant	Prof. Darwin Choi, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
17:25-17:30	Closing Remarks	Prof. Nancy Su, Head, School of Accounting and Finance, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
17:45	Depart	Conference dinner Sai Kung seafood

### Time allocation

Each paper (50 minutes): 25 minutes for presenter, 15 minutes for discussant, 10 minutes for Q&A