



NEPAL RASTRA BANK

4th International Conference on Economics and Finance

2-3 April, 2027

Kathmandu, Nepal

CALL FOR PAPERS

Nepal Rastra Bank (NRB), Nepal's central bank, announces the 4th International Conference on Economics and Finance. The conference will be held on 2-3 April 2027 in Kathmandu, Nepal. This event will bring policymakers, practitioners, and researchers together to discuss issues in economics and finance.

The conference theme is “**Economic Growth and Macro-financial Stability: Risks and Challenges**”. Priority will be given to papers on the following subthemes or which are directly relevant to the central bank's core objectives and functions.

Sub Theme 1: Growth And Development

- Institution, Human Capital, Growth and Development
- Finance and Economic growth
- Climate Shocks, Economic Competitiveness, Growth at Risks (GaR), Debt at Risks (DaR), and Fiscal Consolidation
- Tax Structures, Sovereign Debt, Debt Accumulation, Fiscal Sustainability and Fiscal Rules
- Remittance, Labor Supply, and De-Industrialization

Sub Theme 2: International Trade, Finance and Investment

- Trade Liberalization, Growth, and Distributional Effects
- Trade Patterns, Intra-Industry Trade, Trade Barriers, Firm Heterogeneity and Productivity
- Remittances, Resource Allocation, and International Competitiveness
- Capital Account Convertibility, Capital Flows, Interest Rate/Exchange Rate, Reserve Accumulation, Pass-Through Effects
- Intertemporal Choices, Current/Capital Account, Saving and Investment

Sub Theme 3: Macro-Financial Linkages, Stability and Monetary Policy

- Economic Cycle and Macroeconomic Tail Risks
- Financial Interconnectedness, Credit Risk Modeling, Macro Stress Testing
- Financial Frictions, Leverage Cycles, and Economic Adjustments
- Macroprudential and Financial Sector Policies
- Structural Macroeconomic Models and Monetary Policy Counterfactual Analysis

Sub Theme 4: Financial Innovation and Resilience

- CBDC/Crypto Currency/Stable Coins and Monetary Policy Transmission
- Emerging Financial Innovations (Reg-Tech, Sup-Tech, Fin-Tech, Pay-Tech, Sandbox), Financial Inclusion, Financial Efficiency, Financial Integrity and Financial Stability
- Digital Trade, Blockchain in Trade Finance and Cross-Border Payments
- Artificial Intelligence, Machine Learning and Algorithmic/Systemic Risk Management
- Decentralized Finance, Embedded finance, Inclusive Resilience and Market Stability
- Climate Finance and Green Innovation

Important Dates

Paper submission deadline	31 January 2027
Notification of paper acceptance	20 February 2027
Registration deadline	3 March 2027
Conference date	2-3 April 2027

Paper submission

- The **complete draft** of the paper should be submitted by January 31, 2027. Abstracts or extended abstracts will not be considered. The papers should be emailed at nrbconference2027@nrb.org.np.

Guidelines for submission of paper

- The paper to be submitted to the conference should be original work and not previously published.
- The paper so received is subject to a blind/peer review process.
- The cover page of the paper should include the title, the name, institutional affiliation(s), full postal address, phone number, and email address of each author. If there is more than one author, the cover page should indicate which author is responsible for correspondence.
- The organizing committee reserves the rights to accept/reject the submitted papers.

Conference Benefits

- All accepted papers will be published in the conference proceedings on the Nepal Rastra Bank website.
- Accepted papers with a reference to Nepal or regional analysis can also be considered for the NRB Economic Review, a peer-reviewed biannual journal of NRB.
- Academic and professional networking

Logistic Arrangements

- Complementary lunch and dinner will be provided to all participants during the conference.
- Costs related to travel and accommodations will have to be borne by the paper presenters/participants themselves.
- Information related to the program venue will be provided on the NRB website.

Registration

- There is no registration fee for conference presenters or participants.
- Interested participants, whether presenting or attending only, are requested to complete the online registration form available on the conference web page by 3 March 2027.

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