

Report of the Editor 2022

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In 2022, *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management* further increased its international reputation, publishing high-quality original research relevant to financial practitioners and academics.

The table below shows details on submissions and publications of FMPM. We are happy to report a further significant increase in the number of submissions that greatly exceeds last year's record number. In 2022, a total of 370 manuscripts were submitted to the editorial office. This number only covers first submissions, submissions of revised papers are not included.

Submission and Publication Statistics

Number of Manuscripts	2022	2021	2020	2019
Submitted	370	256	255	195
Rejected (all/2022 subm.)	338/334	244/234	235/224	162
In revision/review (all/2022subm.)	27/20	29/20	34/25	28
Accepted (all/2022 subm.)	11/2	26/2	26/6	15
Published	16	16	16	15

334 of the 370 newly submitted papers were rejected within the year. In total, 338 papers were rejected in 2022, four of which were submitted to the journal before 2022. Of the 334 manuscripts that were submitted in 2022 and rejected within the same year, 318 manuscripts were desk-rejected by the editor, while the remaining 12 articles were initially admitted to the review process. As of December 31st, 2022, 27 manuscripts, 20 of which were initially submitted in 2022, were either in revision with the authors or in the review process with the referees. A decision on those manuscripts is still

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pending. Two of the 370 papers submitted in 2022 were accepted for publication, after having been revised once or twice. Another nine papers were accepted that were initially submitted in previous years. A total of 16 articles were published in four issues in 2022. The published articles cover a broad range of finance-related topics, including asset pricing, investments and portfolio management, market microstructure, and cryptocurrencies. In addition to the 16 articles, we published four book reviews in 2022, which are not included in the table above. FMPM follows a double-blind peer review process. In a first step, submitted papers are screened by the editor and either desk-rejected or admitted to the anonymous peer review process.

In 2022, a total of 75 referee reports were written with an average turnaround time from submission to the sending of the referee reports to the authors of approximately six weeks. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all 48 individual reviewers providing reports in 2022. Without their valuable work, it would be impossible to edit and publish our journal. Their judgment and expertise essentially contribute to *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*.

In previous years, the prizes for the best papers published in FMPM were awarded at the annual conference of the Swiss Society for Financial Markets Research. Due to the SARS-Cov-2 pandemic situation, the 2022 annual conference was held online, so that no prize ceremony could take place at the conference. Still, there was a reduced pre-conference dinner in Zurich, at which the two awards were handed over. The two awards were also announced in the 2nd issue of Volume 36 (2022) of FMPM. Rüdiger Fahlenbrach and Marc Frattaroli received the “FMPM Best Paper Award” for their article “ICO investors,” published in the 1st issue of Volume 35. The “ZKB Best Paper Award” was presented to Nadia Balemi, Roland Füss, and Alois Weigand for their article “COVID-19’s impact on real estate markets: review and outlook,” published in the 4th issue of Volume 35. Both awards carry a cash prize of CHF 4,000. I congratulate all winners to their exceptional contributions to *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*!

Finally, I would like to thank all our contributors for their articles submitted to FMPM. We are grateful to all authors who submit their work to FMPM and we continue to invite submissions of interesting, relevant, and timely articles in the field of finance.

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