

Report of the co-editors 2024

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In August 2024, the editorship of the journal passed from Markus Schmid and the University of St. Gallen to the new co-editors Florian Weigert (University of Neuchâtel) and Tim Kröncke (FHNW School of Business, Basel). As the new co-editors of the journal, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to Markus Schmid, who has done an outstanding job as the former editor.

2024 was an exciting year for Financial Markets and Portfolio Management (FMPM). We published many excellent papers, further strengthening the journal's international reputation. In the latest edition of the VHB 2024 Finance Ranking, our journal has been promoted to category B, along with other journals such as the Journal of Financial Markets, the Journal of Portfolio Management, and the Journal of International Money and Finance.

The table shows details on submissions and publications of FMPM. We are happy to announce a further increase in the number of submissions, maintaining the positive long-term trend since 2021. In 2024, a total of 442 manuscripts were submitted to the editorial office. This number only covers first submissions; submissions of revised papers are not included.

Submission and publication statistics

	2024	2023	2022	2021
Number of manuscripts submitted	442	422	370	256
Rejected (all/2023 subm.)	467/426	386/378	338/334	244/234
In revision/review (all/2023 subm.)	21/11	42/38	27/20	29/20
Accepted (all/2023 subm.)	23/5	16/6	11/2	26/2
Published	16	16	16	16

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. 426 of the 442 newly submitted papers were rejected within the year. In total, 467 papers were rejected in 2024, 41 of these papers were submitted to the journal before 2024. As of December 31, 2024, 21 manuscripts, 11 of which were initially submitted in 2024, were either in revision with the authors or in the review process with the referees. A decision on those manuscripts is still

pending. Five of the 442 papers submitted in 2024 were accepted for publication, after having been revised once or twice. Another 18 papers were accepted that were initially submitted in previous years. A total of 16 articles were published in four issues in 2024. 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 2024, which are not included in the table.

In 2024, a total of 40 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. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all reviewers providing reports in 2024. Without their valuable work, it would be impossible to edit and publish our journal. Their judgment and expertise essentially contribute to FMPM.

The prizes for the best papers published in FMPM were awarded at the annual conference of the Swiss Society for Financial Markets Research. After a successful start in 2023, the 2024 event was again held at the SIX ConventionPoint in Zurich. Professors Martin Brown (Study Center Gerzensee), Roland Füss (University of St. Gallen), Vesa Pursiainen (University of St. Gallen), and Markus Schmid (University of St. Gallen) served as the co-chairs. Out of 344 submitted papers of generally high academic quality, 46 outstanding contributions were selected for inclusion in the program.

Rim El Bernoussi and Michael Rockinger received the “FMPM Best Paper Award” for their article “Rebalancing with transaction costs: theory, simulations, and actual data,” published in the 2nd issue of Volume 37. The “ZKB Best Paper Award” was presented to Kevin Rink for his article “The predictive ability of technical trading rules: an empirical analysis of developed and emerging equity markets,” published in the 4th issue of Volume 37. Both awards carry a cash prize of CHF 4,000. The two awards were also announced in the 2nd issue of Volume 38 (2024) of FMPM. We congratulate all winners to their exceptional contributions to Financial Markets and Portfolio Management!

Finally, we 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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