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## Blockchain 2021

Welcome to the International Symposium on Fintech and Blockchain Systems (FBS) 2021, which is held in conjunction with the 4th IEEE International Conference on Blockchain, virtually in Melbourne, Australia from 06-08 December 2021.

Rapid advances are being made in blockchain technology, which is a foundational and platform technology considering its existing offerings and it is expected to be a key enabling technology and a new general-purpose technology to revolutionize the business activities and interactions in the future considering its economic, political, humanitarian, and legal system benefits. Finance services (Fintech) have been one of the most active domains with increasingly bigger data, and faster innovations. However, blockchain is still in its infancy and many research issues remain unsolved regarding blockchain itself and its applications. This may pose threats on the deployment of real-world applications. The goal of this workshop is to promote community-wide discussion identifying the advanced applications, technologies and theories for blockchain. We seek submissions of papers that invent novel techniques, investigate new applications, introduce advanced methodologies on Fintech and blockchain systems.

The technical program of FBS 2021 consists of 8 regular papers, selected by the program committee and the main conference. All submitted papers were judged through at least two reviews. These papers cover many hot research topics, including smart contract and distributed ledger, blockchain and Bitcoin security, blockchain for AI and machine learning, distributed consensus, blockchain under quantum, management processes and methods based on blockchain, blockchain based knowledge and innovation management, blockchain applications in business and more.

First, we would like to thank all program committee members for their hard work in reviewing all submissions. Also, we would like to thank all the authors for submitting and presenting their exciting ideas and solutions regarding blockchain and beyond Fintech.

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