

**CALL FOR APPLICATIONS**  
**MEMBERSHIP IN THE KATAJA GRADUATE SCHOOL GSF**

**The Graduate School of Finance (GSF)** announces that doctoral students *in Finance* can now apply to GSF, one of the graduate schools of KATAJA. The full program is open for students who fill the requirements for enrollment for doctoral students in finance at one of the five organizing universities (Aalto University, Hanken School of Economics, Lappeenranta University of Technology, University of Oulu and University of Vaasa). The deadline for applications is **June 3, 2011**.

*Eligible students must be full-time doctoral students in finance aiming at getting a doctoral degree in 4 years.* When becoming accepted for GSF, doctoral students commit to follow the compulsory curriculum of GSF. For accepted students, who favorably pursue their studies, GSF will offer a well structured program for obtaining a PhD degree in Finance, co-coordinated research supervision (including foreign faculty), a possibility to apply for a Graduate School fellowship position with a monthly salary, and preference to attend GSF courses, seminars and workshops.

The free-form application written in English must include:

- CV including the list of academic publications and earlier research activity
- Complete contact information
- Letter of recommendation from your academic supervisor(s)
- Copies of academic degrees earned and a transcript of courses taken (including possible doctoral courses already taken)
- University and department for Ph.D. studies
- Research plan for your Ph.D. studies, including your motivations for the doctoral studies, research interest(s), possible subject of your dissertation, and a time schedule (*max 4 pages*)
- Description of the current status of your research work
- Name(s) of potential Ph.D. thesis supervisor(s)
- Financing plan for the doctoral studies (e.g. secured funding or a position).

If the applicant already belongs to some other graduate school under KATAJA, he/she should tell it in the application. The reason is that a student can only be a member of one graduate school.

Preferably, 10 students will be accepted, with the possibility to extend the amount to a maximum of 15 students depending on the quality of the applicants. The applications written in English should be addressed to *Dr Mikko Leppämäki, Aalto University, School of Economics, Graduate School of Finance, P.O Box 21220, 00076 Aalto, Finland*. For details and further information please contact Dr Leppämäki by e-mail: [mikko.leppamaki@aalto.fi](mailto:mikko.leppamaki@aalto.fi). Further information about GSF can be found at the homepage of the graduate school, <http://gsf.aalto.fi> See also KATAJA's web pages ([www.kataja.eu](http://www.kataja.eu)) for the member universities of KATAJA and general information about graduate schools.