WRDS NEWSLETTER

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WRDS LIBRARIAN COLLOQUIUM

We are pleased to announce that WRDS will host a Users Colloquium during the Special Libraries Association (SLA) conference in Washington, DC, focusing specifically on the needs of university or research librarians. These special sessions will take place in a private room at the SLA conference on Monday, June 15, 2009.

The location and timing of our upcoming User Sessions will allow a number of librarians from WRDS subscribing institutions to attend, since many are traveling to Washington, DC for the SLA.

To make this as convenient as possible for SLA attendees, we are conducting identical sessions at separate times, so users are able to schedule a WRDS session between SLA sessions. All meetings will cover the same content.

Date: Monday, June 15, 2009
Location: SLA Conference, Walter E. Washington Convention Center, Washington, DC.
Room number: To follow
Session times: To follow

No registration fee is required to attend the Librarian Colloquium.

Content to include:
--General: covering the most important aspects of using the WRDS
--Overview of WRDS: Web Interface, Queries, Tools and Support
--Introduction of new WRDS website

If you would like additional information, please contact Robin Gold (Rnuss@wharton.upenn.edu).

If there is either a strong chance or a likely chance that your institution’s Librarian(s) will be able to attend any of the sessions, please contact WRDS. Please note this does not need to be a firm commitment - any reply would help in determining the number of attendees.

E-LEARNING: WRDS is pleased to announce upcoming training sessions.

We tried to take into consideration the need for convenient training times for our international subscribers. Please let us know if you need additional assistance by emailing Rnuss@wharton.upenn.edu.

To participate in a training session: Please register at http://wrds.wharton.upenn.edu/elearning/calendar.html

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<td>Navigating Compustat Xpressfeed</td>
<td>Matt Cohen - Luis Palacios</td>
<td>Presents how the new Compustat Xpressfeed data is available in WRDS 1. Understand the differences between Old Compustat FTP format and the new Xpressfeed. 2. Using SAS to extract Xpressfeed data. 3. Where to find documentation.</td>
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<td>Navigating CRSP on WRDS</td>
<td>Yuxing Yan</td>
<td>Presents how CRSP data is delivered through WRDS. 1. Understanding CRSP data. Universe. Coverage. 2. Using SAS to extract CRSP data. 3. Where to find CRSP documentation.</td>
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<td>Compustat: Executive Compensation</td>
<td>Mireia Gine</td>
<td>Provides explanation how Executive Compensation database changed recently. 1. Changes in Executive Compensation. 2. Using SAS to read Executive Compensation databases. 3. Finding Documentation.</td>
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NEW RESEARCH APPLICATION

Linking CRSP and Compustat: http://wrds.wharton.upenn.edu/support/docs/ccm/ccm_overview.shtml

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WELCOME to the new subscribers who recently joined WRDS:
California State University, East Bay, California, U.S.A.
Ecole Polytechnic de Federale Lausanne, Switzerland.
Goethe University, Frankfurt, Germany.
Rochester Institute of Technology, New York, U.S.A.
University of Technology Sydney, Australia.

UPCOMING CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

March 4-6, 2009: Midwest Finance Association (MFA), Chicago, IL.
Participating as an exhibitor. Please visit WRDS booth #6.

April 26-28, 2009: Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), Orlando, FL.
Participating as an exhibitor. Please visit our WRDS booth.

June 15, 2009: WRDS Librarian Colloquium at the Special Libraries Association (SLA) conference.
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June 14-17, 2009: Special Libraries Association (SLA), Washington, DC.
Participating as an exhibitor. Please visit our WRDS booth.

June 17-20, 2009: Western Finance Association (WFA), San Diego, CA.
Participating as a sponsor of The Wharton School-WRDS Best Paper Award – “Empirical Research”.

June 23-27, 2009: European Financial Management Association (EFMA), Milan, Italy.
Participating as an exhibitor and sponsor of a Best Paper award.

August 1-5, 2009: American Accounting Association (AAA), New York, NY.
Participating as an exhibitor.

October 21-24, 2009: Financial Management Association (FMA), Reno, NV.
Participating as an exhibitor.

November 4-7, 2009: CLADEA, Guayaquil, Ecuador.

November 18-21, 2009: Southern Finance Association (SFA), Captiva Island, FL.
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If you need additional assistance with specific uses of data and data questions, please send an email message to wrds-support@wharton.upenn.edu

For general information on WRDS or vendor contact information, please send an email message to Robin Nussbaum-Gold at wrds@wharton.upenn.edu


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