**ANNOUNCEMENT**

**Calling all Pre-confirmation UQ RHD Students**

**UQUAPS 2016 “Pitching Research” Competition**

**ALL pre-confirmation** RHD students at UQ are invited to participate in a university-wide pitching research competition in 2016. This event builds on the great success of the inaugural UQUAPS Pitching Research Competition held in 2015. Specifically, the core task requires the completion of a prescribed 2-page template – a template that provides a simple, methodical tool to confidently/succinctly “pitch” essential elements of a new research proposal to an academic expert i.e. to your PhD supervisor. For an explanation of the pitching template and its use, see the SSRN paper “Pitching Research” [Faff (2015)]:


- **Information Sessions**
  Information sessions will be held for prospective participants sometime in the period **March-April 2016**.

- **Submission Deadline**
  The submission deadline will be set sometime in **July-August 2016**.

- **Competition Final**
  As was the case last year, it is envisaged that the FINAL will comprise 7 pitchers: one finalist from each faculty, as well as one representing the UQ Institutes. The FINAL will be held in **October-November 2016**.

- **Prizes**
  A total prize pool of up to **$10,000** is available, subject to the volume of submissions received. The WINNING Pitcher stands to win a prize of up to **$5,000**, subject to the volume of submissions received. The competition is proudly sponsored by the UQ Business School.

- **Further Information and Enquiries**
  Please look out for information updates with specific details, broadcast on social media throughout the year. For any clarifications or queries regarding the competition, please email Professor Faff directly: [r.faff@business.uq.edu.au](mailto:r.faff@business.uq.edu.au)

---

1 The UQAPS Pitch booklet commemorating the 2015 FINAL can be found in an online appendix under “U” - UQAPS 2015 Pitching Competition (A67) at: [http://www.business.uq.edu.au/supplementary-material-pitching-research#aff-u](http://www.business.uq.edu.au/supplementary-material-pitching-research#aff-u)

2 NB: when on a UQ university campus, downloading can be problematic due to firewall restrictions. Alternatively, downloading from off campus should work easily by using this link.