
Editorial

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It was in 1997 when a series of financial crises severely disrupted the growing business economies in Asia. In the past two decades, we have witnessed transition from industry economy, digital and information infrastructure, financial crises and transformation of financial systems in many developing and emerging countries. Rapid technological

advances in internet and telecommunications have reduced the risk of asymmetric information for firms in emerging countries when competing against developed countries. Today, most of these emerging countries have already recovered and becoming more competitive. Especially in China, deregulation, privatisation and stock markets have prompted much research in financial information systems and we can see the results from their booming economy. However, there are many more issues to be aware of in the coming days.

We have selected eight articles from the *Sixth Wuhan International Conference on E-Business* which was held on 26–27 May 2007 in Wuhan, China. Research includes relationships between Corporate Social Performance (CSP) and Corporate Financial Performance (CFP), measure of intrinsic value and bubble of A-Stock in China, Seasonal Affective Disorder (SAD) effect in China's market indices, underwriting risk issues, relationships between spot and future prices in China's future market, factors for exports in Pakistan, cost allocation of inter-organisational systems and international internships.