

**Call for Proposals**  
**NBER-Sloan Financial Crisis Project**

Working group on the systemic causes and effects of the credit crisis

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In late 2008, the Sloan Foundation agreed to fund projects to be organized by the NBER to conduct research examining competing explanations for the financial crisis that began in 2007 and possible reforms. Our working group will investigate a wide range of issues broadly related to how interactions between financial institutions, markets, and regulations affected the crisis and how such interactions will (or should) change. Some of the project activity will involve presentation and discussion of research papers that are well along and some will support work on new papers. This is a call for proposals for new papers to be presented at a conference in the second half of 2010. Papers on the conference program will be considered for publication in a special issue of the *Journal of Financial Economics*. The project will provide some funding to the authors and will pay for the submission fee to JFE. Proposals for papers for the conference will be considered until November 15, 2009. An acceptable proposal would be one that outlines the paper to be written in three pages and has a timetable for completion. Authors of selected proposals submitted before April 24, 2009, will be invited to attend a meeting at the NBER Summer Institute on July 8 and 9 to discuss proposals. Proposals submitted before April 24 will have a better chance of being accepted for the 2010 conference.

The organizers will consider proposals on a wide range of topics. Examples of topics we are especially interested in can be found at <http://www.nber.org/callforpapers/slscall.pdf>

Please forward proposals for discussion at the Summer Institute and contact information by email to [dice@cob.osu.edu](mailto:dice@cob.osu.edu) by April 24, 2009. Authors of proposals will be informed of status by May 15, 2009.