



## **Request for research proposals from the IFSID (*Montreal Institute of Structured Products and Derivatives*)**

The IFSID (Montreal Institute of Structured Products and Derivatives) aims at promoting collaborations between academics and professionals in research projects dealing with derivatives markets. The IFSID is launching its sixth call for tender to solicit research projects in the fields of derivatives pricing, risk management, market regulation, clearing, accounting, and financial innovation (that list of topics is not exhaustive). This year the IFSID will give additional priority to researchers applying to work on structured finance, especially in relation with downside risk, longevity risk, or goal-based investment.

The projects selected in the last five years as well as relevant information about the IFSID can be viewed at [www.ifsid.ca](http://www.ifsid.ca).

The total amount earmarked for the 2017 call is 400,000 CAD. Funded proposals should be completed within 12 to 18 months. Acceptance of the funding implies:

- providing the IFSID with a document that will be published in the working paper series,
- delegating at least one member of the research team to come to Montreal to present the findings during a seminar. This second condition will be waived for small-size projects,
- acknowledging the IFSID financial support in publications and presentations related to the project.

Preference will be given to researchers who commit to collaborating with Montreal-based partners including financial institutions, local regulatory authorities, and/or the Montreal derivatives exchange. Additional financing and office space could be provided for researchers choosing to work in Montreal.

Researchers with a keen interest to apply should send their research proposal (maximum 5 pages including a budget) along with their vitae to [ifsid@hec.ca](mailto:ifsid@hec.ca). Only electronic submissions will be considered.

Deadline for submission is August 31, 2017.