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Manuscripts submitted for the symposium will receive an initial screening; those deemed to have a reasonable chance of acceptance will enjoy an accelerated review process, with a final decision guaranteed by the second round of submission.

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Maureen O'Hara, Cornell University
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"Differential Access to Price Information in Financial Markets"

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Please join us in congratulating Professors Easley, O'Hara, and Yang for their accomplishments.

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