EUROPEAN FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT



EUROPEAN CORPORATE GOVERNANCE

April 28, 29 & 30, 2005 Weetwood Hall Conference Centre and Hotel Otley Road Leeds United Kingdom

Symposium Chair: Professor David Hillier, University of Leeds

Symposium Timetable

Thursday 28th April 2005

19:00 – 21:00pm Cocktail Reception and Registration

The Conservatory and Italian Gardens

The Dean of Leeds University Business School, Professor Andrew Lock, to welcome speakers and guests.

Friday 29th April 2005

08:30 – 10:15am **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)**

Sessions A1 – A2

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION A1:		The Lawnswood Suite
Session Chair:	Ian Tonks, University of Exeter	

Banks as a Firm's Blockholders Josep Tribo, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid Discussant: Jana Fidrmuc, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Corporate Cash Holdings: Financial Determinants and Corporate Governance

Nicolas Couderc, Universite de Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne Discussant: Julio Pindado, Universidad de Salamanca

Blockholder Ownership, Dividends and Firm Value in Continental Europe

Steen Thomsen, Copenhagen Business School

Discussant: Roberto Barontini, Universita Cattolica Del Sacro Cuore

SESSION A2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Marc DeLoof, Antwerp University	

Management Going-Concern Disclosures: Impact of Corporate Governance and Auditor Reputation

Richard Taffler, Cranfield School of Management

Discussant: Frantz Pascal, London School of Economics and Political Science

Insider Trading and Corporate Governance - The Case of Germany

Eric Thiessen, University of Bonn

Discussant: Chabela Della Torre, Universidad de Salamanca

Agency Costs and Corporate Governance Mechanisms: Evidence for UK Firms

Aydin Ozkan, University of York

Discussant: Patrick McColgan, University of Aberdeen

10:15 – 10:45am Coffee Break Break-out Area

10:45 – 12:30pm **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)** Sessions B1 – B2

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION B1:		The Lawnswood Suite
Session Chair:	Eric Thiessen, University of Bonn	

Executive Compensation, Hubris, Corporate Governance: Impact on Managerial Risk Taking and Value Creation in UK High Tech and Low Tech Acquisitions

Sudi Sudarsanam, Cranfield School of Management

Discussant: Sarah Jewell, University of Bristol

Law and Corporate Boards: Evidence from Europe Kenneth Kim, State University of New York at Buffalo Discussant: Steen Thomsen, Copenhagen Business School New Insights in Executive Compensation: Evidence from UK Property Companies

Nils Kok, Maastricht University

Discussant: George Alexandridis, University of Durham

SESSION B2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Julio Pindado, Universidad de Salamanca	

Separating the Impact of Dual Class Shares, Pyramids and Cross-Ownership on Firm Value across Legal Regimes in Western Europe

Kasper Meisner Nielsen, University of Copenhagen Discussant: Clara Graziano, University of Udine

Corporate Governance and Cross-Listing: Evidence from European Companies

Dariusz Wojcik, University of Oxford

Discussant: Marc DeLoof, Antwerp University

Firm Performance, Entrenchment and Managerial Succession in Family Firms

Patrick McColgan, University of Aberdeen

Discussant: Silvia Gomez Anson, Universidad de Oviedo

12:30 – 13:30pm Buffet Lunch Break Break-out Area

13.30 – 15.15pm Round Table Discussion on European T

The Lawnswood Suite

Corporate Governance

Claudio Loderer, University of Bern –

"The Purpose of the Corporation: Shareholder-

Value Maximization"

Diane Denis, Purdue University -

"International Corporate Governance"

Julian Franks, London Business School -

"Ownership: Evolution & Regulation"

Kevin Keasey, University of Leeds -

"Corporate Governance & Information

Efficiency in Security Markets: Results for

'Smaller Cap' Companies in the UK"

15:15 – 15:30pm **Coffee Break**

Break-out Area

Sessions C1 – C2

15:30 – 17:15pm **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)**

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION C1:		The Lawnswood Suite
Session Chair:	Kenneth Kim, State University of New York	at Buffalo

Ownership Concentration, Monitoring and Optimal Board Structure

Clara Graziano, University of Udine

Discussant: Christoph Kaserer, Munich University of Technology

Why do Firms Comply Voluntarily with the Codes of Best Practice

Silvia Gomez Anson, Universidad de Oviedo

Discussant: Richard Taffler, Cranfield School of Management

UK Executive Stock Option Valuation: A Conditional Model *Konstantinos Stathopoulos, University of Manchester*

Discussant: Charlie Cai, University of Leeds

SESSION C2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Sudi Sudarsanam, Cranfield School of Management	

How Do Financial Decisions Affect Corporate Ownership Structure?

Julio Pindado, Universidad de Salamanca

Discussant: Josep Tribo, Universidad Carlos III, Madrid

Executive Pay, Free Float, and Firm Performance: Evidence from Germany

Christoph Kaserer, Munich University of Technology

Discussant: Kenneth Kim, State University of New York at Buffalo

What Explains the Diversity in Shareholder Lockup Agreements?

Marc Goergen, University of Sheffield

Discussant: Sudi Sudarsanam, Cranfield School of Management

17:30 – 18:45pm **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)**

Sessions D1 – D2

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION D1:		The Lawnswood Suite
Session Chair:	Richard Taffler, Cranfield School of Manag	ement

Watching the Shop from the Front Seat: Determinants of Venture Capitalists' Representation on the Board

Eli Talmor, London Business School

Discussant: Eric Nowak, University of Lugano

Implicit Contracts and Dominant Shareholders

Jose Guedes, Universidad Catolica Portuguesa

Discussant: Oyvind Bohren, Norwegian School of Management

Family Ownership and Performance: The Net Effect of Productivity Efficiency and Growth

Constraints

Carmen Galve, Universidad de Zaragoza Discussant: Nils Kok, Maastricht University

SESSION D2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Helen Short, University of Leeds	

Corporate Governance and the Split Capital Investment Trust Crisis

Andy Adams, University of Edinburgh

Discussant: Martin Holman, Uppsala University

Private Equity Investments and Disclosure Policy

Marc DeLoof, Antwerp University

Discussant: Marc Goergen, University of Sheffield

To Trust the Fat Cat(s) to Keep the Cream - An Empirical Analysis of Self-regulation Under the German Corporate Governance Code

Eric Nowak, University of Lugano

Discussant: Kasper Meisner Nielsen, University of Copenhagen

19.30pm **Pre Dinner Drinks**

The Woodlands Restaurant, Weetwood Hall

19:45pm The John Wiley Dinner

The Woodlands Restaurant, Weetwood Hall

Saturday 30th April 2005

08:30 – 10:15am **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)** Sessions E1 – E2

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION E1:		The Lawnswood Room
Session Chair:	Allan Hodgson, University of Amsterdam	

Unifications of Dual-Class Shares in Germany

Jan Kuklinski, Institute for Mergers and Acquisitions

Discussant: Nicolas Couderc, Universite de Paris I Pantheon-Sorbonne

The Effect of Ownership Structure and Family Control on Firm Value and Performance: Evidence from Continental Europe

Roberto Barontini, Universita Cattolica Del Sacro Cuore

Discussant: Dariusz Wojcik, University of Oxford

Executive Pay and Performance in the UK (1994-2002)

Ian Tonks, University of Exeter

Discussant: Iain Clacher, University of Leeds

SESSION E2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Aydin Ozkan, University of York	

Governance and Performance Revisited

Oyvind Bohren, Norwegian School of Management Discussant: Allan Hodgson, University of Amsterdam

The Effect of Ownership Structures on Managerial Disciplinary Mechanisms after Privatization in Slovakia

Jana Fidrmuc, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Discussant: Carmen Galve, Universidad de Zaragoza

Debt Maturity and Ownership Structure Characteristics: An Empirical Investigation of the UK Firms

Maria-Theresa Marchica, University of York

Discussant: Jose Guedes, Universidad Catolica Portuguesa

10:15 – 10:30am Coffee Break Break-out Area

10.30 – 12.30pm **Presentations (2 parallel sessions)** Sessions F1 – F2

The Lawnswood Suite The Kirkstall Room

SESSION F1:		The Lawnswood Suite
Session Chair:	Robert Watson, University of Durham	

Management Entrenchment, Governance and Accounting Arbitrage

Allan Hodgson, University of Amsterdam Discussant: Aydin Ozkan, University of York

Managerial Incentives, Endogeneity and Firm Value

Steven Todd, University of Loyola

Discussant: Helen Short, University of Leeds

Valuation Effect of Institutional Ownership: The Case of Corporate Takeovers

George Alexandridis, University of Durham Discussant: Steven Todd, University of Loyola

SESSION F2:		The Kirkstall Room
Session Chair:	Carmen Galve, Universidad de Zaragoza	

Executive Stock Options: Early Exercise Provisions and Risk-Taking Incentives

Neil Brisley, University of Western Ontario

Discussant: Kasper Meisner Nielsen, University of Copenhagen

Corporate Governance, Shareholder Conflicts and Audit Quality Frantz Pascal, London School of Economics and Political Science

Discussant: Maria-Theresa Marchica, University of York

The Impact of Dual Class Shares on Takeover Risk and the Market for Corporate Control

Martin Holman, Uppsala University

Discussant: Neil Brisley, University of Western Ontario

The Impact of Corporate Governance on Closed-End Funds

Dylan C. Thomas, Cass Business School

Discussant: Andy Adams, University of Edinburgh

12:30 – 14:00pm **Closing Lunch**

The Woodlands Restaurant

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