



The 16th Corporate Finance Day

September 19, 2019 at the Het Kasteel, Melkweg 1, Groningen

Program

8:30 – 9:15	Coffee and registration	
9:15 – 9:30	Opening	
9:30 – 10:30	Keynote Prof. Renée Adams (University of Oxford)	Room: Congreszaal
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee break	
11:00 – 12:30	Parallel sessions A	
	Session A1: Bonds	Room: Congreszaal
	Session A2: CSR and Dividend	Room: 1.04
	Session A3: Financial Institutions	Room: 1.08
	Session A4: Capital Structure and Executives	Room: 1.09
	Session A5: Relationship Lending	Room: 1.12
	Session A6: Private Equity	Room: Boekschotenkamer
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch	
13:30 – 15:00	Parallel sessions B	
	Session B1: Family Firms	Room: Congreszaal
	Session B2: Capital Market Frictions	Room: 1.04
	Session B3: Dividend Payout	Room: 1.08
	Session B4: Entrepreneurial Finance	Room: 1.09
	Session B5: Stock Markets	Room: 1.12
	Session B6: Human Capital and Firm Value	Room: Boekschotenkamer
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break	
15:30 – 17:00	Parallel sessions C	
	Session C1: Corporate Governance	Room: Congreszaal
	Session C2: M&A and Governance	Room: 1.04
	Session C3: Investment, Innovation, and Restructuring	Room: 1.08
	Session C4: Liquidity	Room: 1.09
	Session C5: Financing and Investment	Room: 1.12
17:30	Drinks at Prinsenhof, Martinikerkhof 23, Groningen	
18:30-21:00	Dinner at Prinsenhof, Martinikerkhof 23, Groningen	

Local conference organizers:

Niels Hermes, Egle Karmaziene, and Nassima Selmane.

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Detailed program

20 min presentations

5 min discussions

5 min questions and answers

Parallel sessions A: 11:00-12:30

A1. Bonds

Chair: Erik Devos (University of Texas at El Paso)

The Importance of Sovereign Reference Rates for Corporate Debt Issuance: Mind the Gap

Sjoerd van Bekkum (Erasmus University), Bruce D. Grundy (University of Melbourne), **Patrick Verwijmeren** (Erasmus University)

Discussant: Lammertjan Dam (University of Groningen)

The real effects of credit ratings: Evidence from corporate asset sales

Dion Bongaerts (Erasmus University), Frederik P. Schlingemann (University of Pittsburgh)

Discussant: Roberto Wessels (University of Groningen)

Risk Incentive Compensated Bonds

Daniel Vullings (University of Groningen)

Discussant: Erik Devos (University of Texas at El Paso)

A2. CSR and Dividend

Chair: Niels Hermes (University of Groningen)

In the Eyes of the Beholder: Shareholder Connection and ESG Rating Inflation

Mark Shackleton (Lancaster University), **Dragon Yongjun Tang** (University of Hong Kong), Jiali Yan (Lancaster University), Chelsea Yaqiong Yao (Lancaster University)

Discussant: Adri De Ridder (Uppsala University)

Corporate social performance and class action lawsuits

Daniel Fauser (University of St. Gallen), Sebastian Utz (University of St. Gallen)

Discussant: Bert Scholtens (University of Groningen)

The life-cycle theory of dividends, catering and stock ownership

H. Kent Baker (American University), Lammertjan Dam (University of Groningen), **Adri De Ridder** (Uppsala University)

Discussant: Daniel Fauser (University of St. Gallen)

A3. Financial Institutions

Chair: Egle Karmaziene (University of Groningen)

Attention-Induced Information Dry-Ups

Pranav Desai (Tilburg University)

Discussant: Egle Karmaziene (University of Groningen)

Benign Neglect of Covenant Violations: Blissful Banking or Ignorant Monitoring?

Stefano Colonnello (Halle Institute for Economic Research), Michael Koetter (Halle Institute for Economic Research), **Moritz Stieglitz** (Halle Institute for Economic Research)

Discussant: Pranav Desai (Tilburg University)

Do online pension planning tools affect pension knowledge and expectations? Evidence from a randomized survey experiment

Marc Kramer (University of Groningen), Robert Lensink (University of Groningen), **Auke Plantinga** (University of Groningen)

Discussant: Moritz Stieglitz (Halle Institute for Economic Research)

A4. Capital Structure and Executives

Chair: Naciye Sekerci (Utrecht University)

Does Internal Capital Market Membership Matter for Capital Allocation? Evidence from the Euro Area

Jorge H. Mota (University of Porto), Mario C. dos Santos (Catholic University of Portugal)

Discussant: Oystein Strom (Oslo Metropolitan University)

Executive gender pay gap: the role of employer learning and regulatory interventions

Swarnodeep Homroy (University of Groningen), Shibashish Mukherjee (University of Groningen)

Discussant: Jorge H. Mota (University of Porto)

The low leverage puzzle in micro finance institutions

Oystein Strom (Oslo Metropolitan University), Einar Bakke (Oslo Metropolitan University), Sturla Fjesme (Oslo Metropolitan University), Roy Mersland (University of Agder)

Discussant: Mohamad Faour (University College Dublin)

A5. Relationship Lending

Chair: Shantanu Banerjee (Lancaster University)

A loss of a lending relationship: shock or relief?

Karolis Liaudinskas (Pompeu Fabra University), Kristina Grigaite (Bank of Lithuania)

Discussant: Shantanu Banerjee (Lancaster University)

Institutional Distance and Subsidiary Debt: The Spillover Effect of Home Country Institutional Quality

Yan Du (University of Antwerp), **Milos Vulcanovic** (EDHEC Business School)

Jorge H. Mota (University of Porto)

Discussant: Karolis Liaudinskas (Pompeu Fabra University)

Monitoring by Activist Hedge Funds and Long-Term CEO Incentives

Jana P. Fidrmuc (University of Warwick), Swati Kanoria (University of Warwick)

Discussant: Milos Vulcanovic (EDHEC Business School)

A6. Private Equity

Chair: Yangke Liu (Queen's University)

Are Private Equity Investments Bad News for Peers?

Manuel Kathan (University of Hohenheim), Tereza Tykvova (University of Hohenheim)

Discussant: Dyan S. Bansraj (Erasmus University)

Can Private Equity Funds Act as Strategic Buyers? Evidence from Buy-and-Build Strategies

Dyan S. Bansraj (Erasmus University), Han T.J. Smit (Erasmus University), Vadym Volosovych (Erasmus University)

Discussant: Ine Umans (Hasselt University)

Shareholder illiquidity and firm behavior: Financial and real effects of the personal wealth tax in private firms

Janis Berzins (BI Oslo), Oyvind Bohren (BI Oslo), Bogdan Stacescu (BI Oslo)

Discussant: Manuel Kathan (University of Hohenheim)

Parallel sessions B: 13:30-15:00

B1. Family Firms

Chair: Daniel Metzger (Erasmus University)

Saving face but lessening growth: family ownership and antitrust violations

Mario D. Amore (Bocconi University), **Riccardo Marzano** (Bocconi University)

Discussant: Dragon Yongjun Tang (University of Hong Kong)

Conflicts in Private Family Firms

Janis Berzins (BI Oslo), Alminas Zaldokas (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology)

Discussant: Daniel Metzger (Erasmus University)

Performance below aspirations as an antecedent of succession planning in family firms: The relationship between socioemotional and financial wealth

Eddy Laveren (University of Antwerp), Nadine Lybaert (Hasselt University), Tensie Steijvers (Hasselt University), Wim Voordeckers (Hasselt University), **Ine Umans** (Hasselt University)

Discussant: Riccardo Marzano (Bocconi University)

B2. Capital Market Frictions

Chair: Dion Bongaerts (Erasmus University)

Banking regulation and collateral screening in a model of information asymmetry

Benjamin Hemingway (Bank of Lithuania)

Discussant: Stefano Lugo (Utrecht University)

The perils of removing rating-based regulation: Evidence from the US money market funds reform

Stefano Lugo (Utrecht University)

Discussant: Dion Bongaerts (Erasmus University)

Inter-divisional Spillover and Internal Capital Market Inefficiencies: Theory and Evidence

Erik Devos (University of Texas at El Paso), He Li (University of Wisconsin)

Discussant: Benjamin Hemingway (Bank of Lithuania)

B3. Dividend Payout

Chair: Daniel Fauser (University of St. Gallen)

Persistence of dividend policy: Long-run evidence

Leentje Moortgat (University of Antwerp), Jan Annaert (University of Antwerp), Marc Deloof (University of Antwerp)

Discussant: Patrick Verwijmeren (Erasmus University)

Investor anticipation of dividend initiations and omissions - Do investors really underreact?

John Cotter (University College Dublin), Henk von Eije (University of Groningen), **Mohamad Faour** (University College Dublin), Cal Muckley (University College Dublin)

Discussant: Dusan Isakov (University of Fribourg)

What if dividends were tax-exempt? Evidence from a natural experiment

Dusan Isakov (University of Fribourg), Christophe Pérignon (HEC Paris), Jean-Philippe Weiskopf (Ecole Hôtelière de Lausanne)

Discussant: Leentje Moortgat (University of Antwerp)

B4. Entrepreneurial Finance

Chair: Oystein Strom (Oslo Metropolitan University)

Capital Gains Tax, Venture Capital and Innovation in Start-up

Lora Dimitrova (University of Exeter), Sapnoti K. Eswar (University of Cincinnati)

Discussant: Robert Lensink (University of Groningen)

Entrepreneurship and War Risk: Evidence from the Second Industrial Revolution

Marc Deloof (University of Antwerp), Leentje Moortgat (University of Antwerp), Gertjan Verdickt (University of Antwerp)

Discussant: Lora Dimitrova (University of Exeter)

Short and Medium Term Impacts of an Entrepreneurship Training on Employment and Employability: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Rwanda

Annie Alcid (DAI Global Rwanda), Erwin Bulte (Wageningen University), **Robert Lensink** (Wageningen University), Aussi Sayinzoga (University of Rwanda), Mark Treurniet (Wageningen University)

Discussant: Marc Deloof (University of Antwerp)

B5. Stock Markets

Chair: Michael Halling (Stockholm School of Economics)

Board Connections and Bank Trading Returns

Markus Baltzer (Deutsche Bundesbank), Erik Fernau (University of Mannheim), **Esad Smajlbegovic** (Erasmus University)

Discussant: John Paul Broussard (Estonian Business School)

Time-variation of dual-class premia

John Paul Broussard (Estonian Business School), Mika Vaihekoski (University of Turku)

Discussant: Michael Halling (Stockholm School of Economics)

Does Bank Deregulation Affect Stock Price Crash Risk?

Viet Anh Dang, Edward Lee (University of Manchester), **Yangke Liu** (Queen's University), Cheng Zeng (University of Manchester)

Discussant: Esad Smajlbegovic (Erasmus University)

B6. Human Capital and Firm Value

Chair: Marc Kramer (University of Groningen)

Wage Rigidity and Debt Financing: Evidence From Labor Contract Renewal During the Financial Crisis

Jiaping Qiu (McMaster University), **Yue Zhang** (UC Louvain)

Discussant: Fabien-Antoine Dugardin (Paris Dauphine University)

Multi-unionism and the Performance of Firms

Fabien-Antoine Dugardin (Paris Dauphine University)

Discussant: Shushu Liao (Lancaster University)

The effect of collateral shocks in the context of capital and labor dynamics

Shushu Liao (Lancaster University)

Discussant: Yue Zhang (UC Louvain)

Parallel sessions C: 15:30-17:00

C1. Corporate Governance

Chair: Nassima Selmane (University of Groningen)

Board directors under CEO's pressure: misreading, dissent risk, and information manipulation

Martin Gregor (Charles University)

Discussant: Mohammed Zakriya (ESADE)

Governance, Information Flow, and Stock Returns: Evidence from a Natural Experiment

Ariadna Dumitrescu (ESADE), **Mohammed Zakriya** (ESADE)

Discussant: Naciye Sekerci (Utrecht University)

Do Shareholder Proposals Really Improve Corporate Governance?

Laurent Bach (ESSEC), **Daniel Metzger** (Erasmus University)

Discussant: Gijsbert Zwart (University of Groningen)

C2. M&A and Governance

Chair: Dong Yan (Stockholm School of Economics)

Target's Annual Report Tone Ambiguity and Takeover Outcomes

Mussa Hussaini (Ca' Foscari University of Venice)

Discussant: Dong Yan (Stockholm School of Economics)

The worse the better: industry conditions and value creation through M&As

Jana P. Fidrmuc (University of Warwick), **Tereza Tykvova** (University of Hohenheim)

Discussant: Yazhou E. He (University of Manchester)

Communications in Proxy Contests

Yazhou E. He (University of Manchester)

Discussant: Tereza Tykvova (University of Hohenheim)

C3. Investment, Innovation, and Restructuring

Chair: Auke Plantinga (University of Groningen)

Ripple effects of Corporate Fraud: Evidence from Innovation in the Supply Chain

Shantanu Banerjee (Lancaster University), Sudipto Dasgupta (Chinese University of Hong Kong), **Rui Shi** (Lancaster University)

Discussant: Mikael Paaso (Erasmus University)

Extrapolation and Real Investment

Mikael Paaso (Erasmus University)

Discussant: Mathias Verreydt (KU Leuven)

Tailor-made reorganization: How choosing between procedures affects efficiency

Mathias Verreydt (KU Leuven), Nico Dewaelheyns (KU Leuven), Cynthia Van Hulle (KU Leuven)

Discussant: Rui Shi (Lancaster University)

C4. Liquidity

Chair: Milos Vulanovic (EDHEC Business School)

Twin Agency Costs and Cash Holdings

Dimitris Andriosopoulos (University of Strathclyde), Tiago Loncan (University of Strathclyde), Roni Michaely (University of Geneva)

Discussant: Jana P. Fidrmuc (University of Warwick)

Corporate Life-Cycle Dynamics of Cash Holdings

Wolfgang Drobetz (University of Hamburg), **Michael Halling** (Stockholm School of Economics), Henning Schröder (University of Hamburg)

Discussant: Swarnodeep Homroy (University of Groningen)

Subsidiary Cash Holdings in Multinational Corporations and Corruption

Christof Beuselinck (IESEG), Stefano Cascino (London School of Economics), **Marc Deloof** (University of Antwerp)

Discussant: Dimitris Andriosopoulos (University of Strathclyde)

C5. Financing and Investment

Chair: Adri de Ridder (Uppsala University)

Raising capital under demand uncertainty

Spyros Terovitis (University of Amsterdam)

Discussant: Robin Dottling (Erasmus University)

Crowdfunding as Gambling: Evidence from Repeated Natural Experiments

Tolga Demir (Sabanci University), Ali Mohammadi (Copenhagen Business School), Kourosh Shafi (California State University)

Discussant: Spyros Terovitis (University of Amsterdam)

Creating Intangible Capital

Robin Dottling (Erasmus University), Tomislav Ladika (University of Amsterdam), Enrico Perotti (University of Amsterdam)

Discussant: Tolga Demir (Sabanci University)