Special Issue Conference: Globally Sustainable Banking & Finance: in support of evidence based policy making

Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th of October 2021

Day 1 Monday, 11th of October 2021 (time zone is BST / UTC+1)

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12:00 – 13:00	**Session 1 - Sustainability Risks, Ratings and Disclosure**

Chair: **Dr. Theodor Cojoianu** (Assistant Professor in Finance, Queen's University Belfast)

1. **Szilard Erhart** (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission, Ispra): *ESG rating of stock exchange indices.*
2. **Karoline Bax** (University of Trento), Özge Sahin, Claudia Czado, Sandra Paterlini: *ESG, Risk, and (tail) dependence.*
3. **Raphael Tietmeyer** (University of Hamburg), Frank Schiemann: *ESG Controversies, ESG Disclosure and Analyst Forecast Accuracy*

13:00 – 14:00	**Session 2 – Green Banking**

Chair: **Dr. Lisa Sheenan** (Assistant Professor in Finance, Queen's University Belfast)

1. **Rodrigo Zeidan** (NYU Shanghai): *Hazarding and overcoming business-as-usual for greener banking.*
2. **Quyen Nguyen** (CEFGroup & Department of Accountancy & Finance, University of Otago, New Zealand), Ivan Diaz-Rainey, Duminda Kuruppuarachchi: *In search of climate distress risk.*
3. Quyen Nguyen, **Ivan Diaz-Rainey** (CEFGroup & Department of Accountancy & Finance, University of Otago, New Zealand), Duminda Kuruppuarachchi, Matthew McCarten, Eric Tan: *Climate transition risk in U.S. loan portfolios: Are all banks the same?*

14:00 – 14:20	**Break**

| 14:20 – 15:20 | **Session 3 – SRI Funds and Green Taxonomy Alignment** |

Chair: **Prof. Declan French** (Chair and Professor in Finance, Queen's University Belfast)

1. **Susana Martinez Meyers** (Universitat Jaume I), María Jesús Muñoz-Torres, Idoya Ferrero Ferrero: *Looking forward is performance really the issue of SRI funds?*
2. **Martinez Meyers Susana** (Universitat Jaume I), Muñoz-Torres María Jesús, Ferrero Ferrero Idoya: *Are SRI funds consistent with their identity?*
3. Alessi Lucia, **Battiston Stefano** (University of Zurich, University Ca' Foscari of Venice): *Green Taxonomy alignment versus transition risk in financial portfolios*.

| 15:20 – 16:40 | **Session 4 -Green Finance Legislation** |

Chair: **Dr. Lucia Alessi** (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission)

1. **Nisha Prakash** (Scholar Symbiosis International University, Assistant Professor Christ University), Sethi Madhvi: *Is liberalization turning economies into pollution havens? Evidence from India.*
2. **Luan Santos** (Production Engineering Program, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro, Faculty of Business Administration and Accounting Science, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro), Karl Steininger, Marcelle Candido Cordeiro, Johanna Vogel: *Carbon Pricing Austria Current Status Future Perspectives*
3. **Samson Mukanjari** (University of Gothenburg): *Climate policy shocks and carbon exposure.*
4. Ricardo Gimeno, **Clara I. Gonzalez** (Banco de España): *The role of a green factor in stock prices. When Fama & French go green.*

Day 2 Tuesday, 12th of October 2021 (time zone is BST / UTC+1)

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| 12:00 – 13:00 | **Session 5 – Investors, Climate Disclosures and Corporate Political Activities** |

Chair: **Dr. Francesca Erica Di Girolamo** (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission)

1. Andreas Hoepner, **Ming-Tsung Lin** (University of Essex, UK): *Does shareholder's view affect corporate political activities?*
2. **Alix Auzepy** (Justus-Liebig-University Giessen), Yannik Bofinger, Björn Rock: *Do investors care about greenhouse gas emissions?*
3. **Iván Moreno Ángel** (Banco de España), **Teresa Caminero** (Banco de España): *Application of text mining to the analysis of climate-related disclosures*

| 13:00 – 14:00 | **Session 6 – Green Investing beyond Public Equities** |

Chair: **Dr. Serena Fatica** (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission)

1. Adriana AnaMaria Davidescu, **Oana Cristina Popovici** (Bucharest University of Economic Studies, Institute for Economic Forecasting, Romanian Academy, Bucharest, Romania): *Top polluting and less polluting sectors in Romania. Where should funding focus?*
2. **Raphael Abiry** (Goethe University Frankfurt), Marien Ferdinandusse, Alexander Ludwig, Carolin Nerlich: *Climate change mitigation: How effective is green quantitative easing?*
3. Theodor Cojoianu, Andreas Hoepner, **Yanan Lin** (Michael Smurfit Graduate Business School, University College Dublin): *Impact vs. ESG investing in private markets.*

14:00 – 14:20	**Break**

14:20 – 15:20 **Session 7 – Climate, Credit Risk and Corporate Social Performance**

Chair: **Dr. Georgios Papadopoulos** (Joint Research Centre of the European Commission)

1. **Benjamin Lynch** (Trinity College Dublin), Martha O'Hagan-Luff (Trinity College Dublin): *Context matters - Evaluating the effect of CSP on firm value.*
2. **Adrien Amzallag** (European Securities and Markets Authority): *Fund portfolio networks: a climate risk perspective.*
3. **Iftekhar Ahmed** (Climate and Energy Finance Group (CEFGroup), Department of Accountancy and Finance, Otago Business School, University of Otago), Ivan Diaz-Rainey, Helen Roberts: *Expand or avoid: Microfinance credit risk and climate vulnerability portfolios.*

15:20 – 16:40 **Session 8 – Green bonds**

Chair: **Prof. Andreas Hoepner** (University College Dublin)

1. ***Karim Henide***, *(MSc graduate, London School of Economics, Associate, IHS Markit): Bayesian game-theoretical inferences for green bond labelling regimen.*
2. **Konstantinos Baltas** (Finance Group, Essex Business School, University of Essex) Mann Robert: *What drives the performance and causality of Green Bond Indexes?*
3. Dennis Bams, **Bram van der Kroft** (Maastricht University | Open University Netherlands), Karen Maas: *Heterogeneous CSR approaches, corporate social performance and financial performance.*
4. Katrien Antonio, Jan De Spiegeleer, Wim Schoutens, **Eva Verschueren** (KU Leuven): *The skin-in-the-game bond: a novel sustainable capital instrument.*