

FORECASTING FINANCIAL MARKETS

Venice, 21, 22 and 23, May 2025

Conference Programme

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Advances in asset management

Artificial intelligence and machine learning

Derivatives pricing models

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Fund management and trading rules

Market microstructure

Modeling volatility and correlation

Modeling with high-frequency data

Risk analysis and credit trading

Sustainable investments and green finance



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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 21st May, 2025

13:45 Registration and Coffee

14:15 Welcoming Address

KEYNOTE LECTURE*

Room 4A

14:30 Compounding political and energy risks: A clustered stochastic multi-COVOL model

Billio Monica, *Ca' Foscari University of Venice*

15:45 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 1: CRYPTO CURRENCIES

Room 4A

16:00 Cryptocurrency trading and news

von Mettenheim Hans-Jörg, *IPAG Business School & Keynum.AI, France*; Henning Rolf, *Techpolyvon, Germany*; Viet Le, *University Paris Saclay & Keynum.AI, France*; Liu Fei, *IPAG Business School, France*; Huong Giang Nguyen, *IPAG Business School, France*

16:30 Risk and reward of crypto portfolios: A comparative assessment of selection approaches

Thélissaint Josué, *University of Rennes, France*; Danilo Lorette, *University of Rennes, France*

17:00 Crypto-currencies: Forecasting and trading strategies

Gottwald Daria, *FOM University, Germany*; Sun Ariel, *Peking University & HSBC Business School, United Kingdom*; Chan-Lau Jorge, *AMRO Macroeconomics Research, Singapore*; Mitra Sovan, *University of Westminster, United Kingdom*

17:30 Replicating Bitcoin performance: A connectedness analysis of equity portfolios

Danilo Lorette, *University of Rennes, France*

18:00 Asymmetric volatility and informed trading in cryptocurrencies: New evidence using tick-by-tick data

Natashekara Karthik, *Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode, India*; Sampath Aravind, *Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode, India*

Parallel Session 2: MICROSTRUCTURE

Room 2A

16:00 Efficient or not? Price measures in market microstructure

Cestonaro Tino, *University of Frankfurt, Germany*; Trimpe Niklas, *University of Frankfurt, Germany*

16:30 Density and interval forecasting of intraday trading volume with non-linear ACV models: New evidence on the importance of the seasonal component estimation method

Huptas Roman, *Krakow University of Economics, Poland*

17:00 High-frequency trading and price discovery: The role of strategic runs

Cestonaro Tino, *University of Frankfurt, Germany*

17:30 Close-to-Open Google search volume and stock returns

Bulut Ali Eray, *Istanbul Technical University, Turkey*; Ekinici Cumhur, *Istanbul Technical University, Turkey*

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- 18:00** Do equity block trades influence the dynamics of intraday trading volume? Lessons from the emerging market
Kurek Bartosz, *Krakow University of Economics, Poland*; Huptas Roman, *Krakow University of Economics, Poland*

Thursday, 22nd May, 2025

08:30 Coffee

CHRISTIAN DUNIS LECTURE

Room 4A

- 09:00** *Speculative markets: Bubbles or balloons?*
Harvey Andrew, *Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge, United Kingdom*

10:15 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 3: METHODS FOR FINANCIAL RISK* (1)

Room 4A

- 10:30** Measures of fragility for tail risk models
Guidolin Massimo, *Bocconi University, Italy*; Pedio Manuela, *University of Bristol, United Kingdom*; Allard Anne-Florence, *University of Bristol, United Kingdom*; Chmielowska Claudia, *Bocconi University, Italy*
- 11:00** Conditional method confidence set
Bauer Lukas, *University of Freiburg, Germany*; Kazak Ekaterina, *Birmingham Business School, United Kingdom*
- 11:30** Asymmetric models for realised covariances
Bauwens Luc, *Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium*; Dzuverovic Emilija, *University of Pisa, Italy*; Hafner Christian, *Université catholique de Louvain, Belgium*
- 12:00** Multivariate score models for realised volatility series
Palumbo Dario, *Ca' Foscari University of Venice, Italy*
- 12:30** Robust statistical jump models
Lindström Erik, *Lund University, Sweden*; Persson Jonatan, *Lund University, Sweden*

Parallel Session 4: ASSET PRICING (1)

Room 2A

- 10:30** Predicting winner and loser stocks: A classification approach
Rihtamo Roope, *University of Turku, Finland*; Lof Matthijs, *Aalto University, Finland*; Nyberg Henri, *University of Turku, Finland*
- 11:00** Predictive causal networks in corporate credit markets
Qyrana Mishel, *Generali Asset Management, Italy*; Mattesi Mirko, *Data Reply, Italy*; Piccolini Enrico, *Generali Asset Management, Italy*; Asproni Luca, *Data Reply, Italy*; Carrara Chiara, *University of Pavia, Italy*

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- 11:30 Producing AI innovation and its value implications**
 Ahmadi Ali, *Schulich School of Business at York University*; Kecskés Ambrus, *Schulich School of Business at York University, Canada*; Michaely Roni, *University of Hong Kong and ECGI*; Nguyen Phuong-Anh, *School of Administrative Studies at York University*
- 12:00 Forecasting private company valuations using Machine Learning: Integrating structured data and deal narratives**
 Bennett Thomas, *Bank 8, United Kingdom*
- 12:30 Geopolitical rivalries and equity market uncertainty: Analysing the semiconductor sector**
 Frydrych Sylwia, *SGH Warsaw School of Economics, Poland*; Snarska Małgorzata, *Krakow University of Economics, Poland*

13:00 Lunch

Parallel Session 5: AI (1)

Room 4A

- 14:15 Beyond traditional models: Assessing the role of LSTM networks in volatility prediction**
 Panzeri Giulia, *Bocconi University, Italy*; Guidolin Massimo, *Bocconi University, Italy*
- 14:45 A digital twin for rational stock market traders: Application to the Dow Jones average index**
 Gutierrez Diez Pedro, *University of Valladolid, Spain*; Alves-Antunes Jorge Manuel, *University of Valladolid, Spain*
- 15:15 Replicability of deep learning forecasts: From theory to practice**
 Gadzinski Gregory, *International University of Monaco, Monaco*; Littardi Andrea, *International University of Monaco, Monaco*
- 15:45 Machine learning mutual fund flows**
 Fausch Jürg, *Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Switzerland*; Frigg Moreno, *Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts, Switzerland*; Ruenzi Stefan, *University of Mannheim, Germany*; Weigert Florian, *University of Neuchâtel, Switzerland*

Parallel Session 6: ASSET PRICING (2)

Room 2A

- 14:15 A moment-based approach to anomaly forecasts and statistical limits to arbitrage**
 Abudy Menachem, *Bar-Ilan University, Israel*; Kaplanski Guy, *Bar-Ilan University, Israel*
- 14:45 Tail portfolio**
 Ma Lingjie, *University of Illinois at Chicago, United States*
- 15:15 Verification of the mechanism of financial bubble formation**
 Watanabe Yasuaki, *Kindai University, Japan*

Parallel Session 7: METHODS FOR FINANCIAL RISK (2)

Room 10A

- 14:15 Stock price movements as geodesics on a curved manifold**
 Chia Maurice, *Hotelschool The Hague, Netherlands & Institute of Mathematics and Its Applications (FIMA), United Kingdom*

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- 14:45 Long run return distributions: Empirical inference and uncertainty**
 Dzemiński Andreas, *University of Gothenburg, Sweden*; Farago Adam, *University of Gothenburg, Sweden*; Hjalmarsson Erik, *University of Gothenburg, Sweden*; Tamas Kiss, *Örebro University School of Business, Sweden*
- 15:15 Beyond random walks: Revealing the fractal memory of financial markets**
 Remiat Alexandre, *Université Paris-Dauphine, France*
- 15:45 Analysis of WD Gann's theory and forecasts: Implications for long-term investments**
 Bennett Thomas, *Bank 8, United Kingdom*
- 16:15 Coffee Break**

Parallel Session 8: AI (2)

Room 4A

- 16:30 Agentic AI for advanced economic and financial analysis**
 Barthélémy Sylvain, *Gwenlake, and University of Rennes, CREM, France* ; Beguec Guillaume, *Gwenlake, France*; de Parthenay Antoine, *Gwenlake, France*; Doyen Elsa, *Gwenlake, France*; Gautier Virginie *TAC Economics France* ; Liron Didier, *Gwenlake France*.
- 17:00 SHAP-based recursive feature elimination and hyperparameter optimisation for enhanced financial stock forecasting (ONLINE)**
 Luo Tianyang, *University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, United States*; Yan Sibio, *Johns Hopkins University, United States*; Deng Yancong, *University of California, San Diego, United States*
- 17:30 LLMs for time series: An application for single stocks and statistical arbitrage**
 Valeyre Sebastien, *Machina Capital, France*
- 18:00 A deep learning framework for medium-term covariance forecasting in multi-asset portfolios**
 Reis Pedro, *CEF.UP & Institute for Systems and Computer Engineering, Technology and Science, Portugal*; Serra Ana Paula, *CEF.UP, Portugal*; Gama João, *Institute for Systems and Computer Engineering, Technology and Science, Portugal*
- 18:30 Predicting oil prices turning points using LPPL and MPGA**
 Remiat Alexandre, *Université Paris-Dauphine, France*; Dufour Baptiste, *Université Paris-Dauphine, France*; Charbonnier Thibault, *Université Paris-Dauphine, France*; Mourgues-Haroche Jules, *Université Paris-Dauphine, France*

Parallel Session 9: GREEN FINANCE (1) and ESG *

Room 2A

- 16:30 Unveiling the impact of PPPs, green bonds, social impact bonds, and microfinance**
 Kociemska Hanna, *Wroclaw University of Economics and Business, Poland*
- 17:00 The greenium in the European banking sector: An application to the fixed income market**
 Fiori Anna Maria, *University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy*; Pederzoli Chiara, *University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy*; Rroji Edit, *University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy*
- 17:30 ESG performance and behaviour of financial institutions: Evidence from the London Stock Exchange**
 Vaitiekuniene Raminta, *Kaunas University of Technology, Lithuania*; Sapkauskienė Alfreda, *Vilnius University, Lithuania*; Giner Javier, *University of La Laguna, Spain*

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18:00 CSR, advertising expenditure, and firm performance

Seker Sirma, *Istanbul Technical University, Turkey*; Ekinçi Cumhur, *Istanbul Technical University, Turkey*

18:30 Enhancing the financial usability of implied temperature rise metrics: A statistical approach for standardising starting points

Bhattacharya Budha, *Lombard Odier Investment Management & Institute of Finance and Technology, University College London, United Kingdom*; Vaurof Moura César, *Lombard Odier Investment Management, Switzerland*; Kirgo Maxime, *Lombard Odier Investment Management, Switzerland*; Schmidt Anatoly, *New York University, United States*

GALA DINNER: Taverna La FENICE, Campiello Marinoni

20:30 – 22:30

Friday, 23rd May, 2025

08:30 Coffee

Parallel Session 10: ASSET PRICING (3)

Room 4A

09:00 The impact of capital allocation strategies on profitability and value creation: A cross-national comparison

Li Yutong, *University of Paris-Saclay, France*; Gillet Philippe, *University of Paris-Saclay, France*

09:30 Bagged pretested forecast combinations for tail risk measures

Pohlmeier Winfried, *University of Konstanz, Germany*; Kazak Ekaterina, *University of Birmingham, United Kingdom*; Halbleib Roxana, *University of Freiburg, Germany*

10:00 Governance structures and capital accumulation: A mixed-methods comparative study

Li Yutong, *University of Paris-Saclay, France*; Gillet Philippe, *University of Paris-Saclay, France*

Parallel Session 11: GREEN FINANCE* (2)

Room 2A

09:00 Integrating nature-related factors in financial markets: A systematic investment framework

Bhattacharya Budha, *Lombard Odier Investment Management & Institute of Finance and Technology, University College London, United Kingdom*; Vaurof Moura César, *Lombard Odier Investment Management, Switzerland*; Kirgo Maxime, *Lombard Odier Investment Management, Switzerland*; Hohne-Sparboth Thomas, *Lombard Odier Investment Management, Switzerland*; Schmidt Anatoly, *NYU Tandon School of Engineering, United States*

09:30 Physical vs. transition risk: What dual propagation threat to U.S. financial stability?

Gaies Brahim, *IPAG Business School, France*

10:00 Geopolitical risk and green financing

D'avino Carmela, *IESEG School of Management, France*; Tselika Maria, *IESEG School of Management, France*; Shabani Mimoza, *University of East London, United Kingdom*

10:30 Look up and ahead: How climate scenarios affect European sovereign risk

De Angelis Luca, *University of Bologna, Italy*; Monasterolo Irene, *Utrecht University, Netherlands*; Zanin Luca, *Prometeia, Italy*

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11:00 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 12: ASSET PRICING (4)

Room 4A

- 11:15 New stock market participation and speculation: Evidence from China**
Girardin Eric, *Aix-Marseille University, France*; Liu Zhenya, *EM-Normandie, France and People's University of China, Beijing, China*
- 11:45 Two fixings for the Chinese yuan: Central bank vs. Market**
Frommel Michael, *Ghent University, Belgium*; Zhang Qisi, *Ghent University, Belgium*
- 12:15 Understanding cross-currency differences in forecasting performance**
Darvas Zsolt, *Bruegel, Belgium & Corvinus University of Budapest, Hungary*; Schepp Zoltán, *University of Pécs, Hungary*

Parallel Session 13: VOLATILITY MODELING

Room 2A

- 11:15 Network approach to volatility diffusion and forecasting in global financial markets**
Orlandini Matteo, *Groupe de Recherche en Droit, Economie et Gestion, France*; Napoletano Mauro, *Groupe de Recherche en Droit, Economie et Gestion, France*; Zema Sebastiano Michele, *Scuola Normale Superiore di Pisa, Italy*; Fagiolo Giorgio, *Sant'Anna School of Advanced Studies, Italy*
- 11:45 Volatility and risk analysis for electricity market prices**
Zhong Jin, *University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR China*; Chen Xingrong, *University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR China*; Zhang Yanning, *University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR China*
- 12:15 Policy uncertainty and volatility spillovers in European electricity: Implications for market dynamics and innovation**
Tselika Maria, *IÉSEG School of Management, France*; Tselika Kyriaki, *Norwegian School of Economics, Norway*; Demetriades Elias, *Audencia Business School, France*

12:45 Lunch

14:30 End of conference

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Publication opportunities

- Special Issue of the **Journal of Forecasting**; Issue Editor: Prof. von Mettenheim Hans-Jörg.

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