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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME



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Worcester College,
University of Oxford



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CONFERENCE PROGRAMME**

Twenty-Ninth International Conference

**FORECASTING FINANCIAL MARKETS:
ADVANCES FOR ASSET MANAGEMENT**

September 11th to 13th 2024 - Oxford (United Kingdom)

Co-organised by the Forecasting Financial Markets Association,
and the Saïd Business School (University of Oxford)

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Keynote Speakers

Rama Cont

*Mathematical Institute,
University of Oxford*

Nir Vulkan

*Saïd Business School,
University of Oxford*

Advances in asset management

*Artificial intelligence and machine
learning*

Derivatives pricing models

Fintech, RegTech, InsurTech, GreenTech

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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Wednesday, 11th September, 2024

13:00 Registration and Coffee

13:45 Welcoming Address

CHRISTIAN DUNIS LECTURE

Amphitheatre

14:00 Dynamic modeling and forecasting of implied volatility

Rama Cont, *Mathematical Institute, University of Oxford (United Kingdom)*

15:30 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 1: Machine Learning (1)

Amphitheatre

16:00 Predicting corporate carbon footprints: A mixed approach using machine learning and multi-source data

Fabien Rondeau*, *Center for Research in Economics and Management (France)*, Florian Pothin, *Center for Research in Economics and Management (France)*

16:30 Influence of social sustainable development goals sentiment on listed companies

Tuong Bao Diep, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Stéphane Goutte, *University Paris Saclay, UMI SOURCE, IRD, UVSQ (France)*, Hoang-Viet Le, *Keynum Investments & University Paris Saclay, UMI SOURCE, IRD, UVSQ (France)*, Fei Liu, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Huong Giang Nguyen, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Hans-Jörg von Mettenheim*, *IPAG Business School (France)*

17:00 Large language models and advanced agents for economic analysis

Sylvain Barthelemy, *University of Rennes & Gwenlake (France)*, Guillaume Beguec, *Gwenlake (France)*, Lea Dauphas, *TAC ECONOMICS (France)*, Virginie Gautier*, *TAC ECONOMICS & University of Rennes (France)*, Marion Gestin, *Gwenlake (France)*, Didier Liron, *TAC ECONOMICS (France)*, Sandrine Lunven, *TAC ECONOMICS (France)*

Parallel Session 2:

Room 1

16:00 Self-pricing options

David Edelman*, *University College Dublin (Ireland)*

16:30 Characteristics of implied and realized volatility for equity index options: The case of deep OTM S&P500 put options

Paweł Sakowski, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*, Rafal Sieradzki, *New York University, United States*, Robert Ślepaczuk*, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*



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Parallel Session 3: Method

Amphitheatre

- 17:30 Analysis and selection of hedge funds**
Raphael Douady*, *Panthéon-Sorbonne University (France)*
- 18:00 Exploring the nonlinear relationship between economic growth and its main drivers over the last decade in EU: Evidence from a panel smooth transition regression**
Catherine Bruneau, *University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (France)*, Alice Eraud, *University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (France)*, Iuliana Matei, *University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne (France)*

Parallel Session 4: Online (1)

Room 1

- 17:30 Green finance and sustainable development: Role of governance, climate action and fiscal discretionary policies**
Ahmed Imran Hunjra*, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Azam Mohammad, *Rabat Business School, International University of Rabat (Morocco)*
- 18:00 Moneyness anomalies of Bitcoin options**
Bastien Buchwalter*, *SKEMA Business School & University of Côte d'Azur (France)*, Jean-Michel Maeso, *International University of Monaco (Monaco)*, Vincent Milhau, *EDHEC Business School (France)*
- 18:30 Forecasting the quantile connectedness: Insight to global CSR and sustainability indices**
Miklesh Prasad Yadav, *Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (India)*, Ahmed Imran Hunjra, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Maria Giuseppina Bruna*, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Vandana Arya, *Government Degree College (India)*

Parallel Session 5: Online (2)

Room 2

- 17:30 Momentum crashes: A new perspective derived from log-periodicity**
Masoumeh Fathi*, *University of Vaasa (Finland)*, Klaus Grobys, *University of Vaasa (Finland)*, Janne Äijö, *University of Vaasa (Finland)*
- 18:00 Modeling and trading the FTSE 100, CAC 40, and DAX 30 Indices – Adaptive modeling and optimisation techniques**
Kung-Cheng Ho, *Guangdong University of Finance and Economics (China)*, Andreas Karathanasopoulos*, *University of Dubai (United Arab Emirates) & SOAS University (United Kingdom)*



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Thursday, 12th September, 2024

08:30 Coffee

Parallel Session 6: Bubbles and Connectedness

Amphitheatre

09:00 Co-explosiveness of corporate credit spreads

Marco Kerkemeier*, *University of Hagen (Germany)*

09:30 Housing bubbles in Hong Kong: Conditional dating

Eric Girardin*, *Aix-Marseille University (France)*, Roselyne Joyeux, *Macquarie University (Australia)*

10:00 Systemic risk and financial connectedness: Empirical evidence

Mateusz Dadej*, *University of Brescia (Italy)*

Parallel Session 7: Crypto Currencies (1)

Room 1

09:00 Bitcoin and Ethereum: Commodities or alternative assets - An experimental approach

Daria Gottwald, *University of Bath (United Kingdom)*, Ariel Sun*, *Peking University HSBC Business School (United Kingdom)*, Jorge Chan-Lau, *ASEAN+3 Macroeconomic Research (AMRO) (Singapore)*

09:30 Pairs-trading in the cryptocurrency market with optimized portfolios by genetic algorithms in a cointegration framework

Lorette Danilo*, *Center for Research in Economics and Management (France)*, Franck Martin *Center for Research in Economics and Management (France)*, Fayssal Jamhamed, *Federal Finance Gestion (France)*

10:00 Financial inclusion and consumption smoothing

Apra Sinha*, *University of Delhi South Campus (India)*, Abhishek Kumar, *University of Southampton (United Kingdom)*, Sushant Mallick, *Queen Mary, University of London (United Kingdom)*

10:30 Coffee Break

Parallel Session 8: Bubbles and Connectedness (2)

Amphitheatre

11:00 Transmission of financial crises through exchange rates: Channels and extent of contagion

Virginie Gautier*, *Center for Research in Economics and Management & TAC ECONOMICS (France)*

11:30 Financial network analysis and market recession indicator

Joe Cao*, *Stony Brook University (United States)*, Raphael Douady, *University Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne*, Siqiao Zhao, *Stony Brook University (United States)*, Zhikang Dong, *Stony Brook University (United States)*



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Parallel Session 9: Crypto Currencies (2)

Room 1

- 11:00** Does the transition to the proof-of-stake consensus protocol tame the response of cryptocurrency volatility to energy shocks?
Klaus Grobys, *University of Vaasa (Finland)*, Davide Sandretto*, *University of Turin (Italy)*
- 11:30** Maximally predictable cryptocurrency portfolios
Josué Thélysaint*, *University of Rennes (France)*

GUEST LECTURE

Amphitheatre

- 12:05** Using large language models in algorithmic trading
Nir Vulkan, *Saïd Business School, University of Oxford (United Kingdom)*
- 13:05** Lunch Break

Parallel Session 10: Forecasting (1)

Amphitheatre

- 14:30** Dissecting over parametrized models for equity premium prediction
Martial Laguerre*, *Emlyon Business School & Actuarial and Financial Sciences Laboratory (France)*, Guillaume Coqueret *Emlyon Business School (France)*
- 15:00** Forecasting stock prices with a news-based model
Anatoly Schmidt*, *NYU Tandon School of Engineering (United States)*
- 15:30** Probabilistic forecasting of intraday trading volume using Bayesian nonlinear ACV models
Roman Huptas*, *Krakow University of Economics (Poland)*

Parallel Session 11: Disasters and ESG

Room 1

- 14:30** A factor-tilt approach to ESG investing
Marc Weibel*, *Zurich University of Applied Sciences (Switzerland)*
- 15:00** Impact of natural disasters on stock returns and volatility in Vietnam: A sector-based analysis
Phuong Tram Anh Le*, *University Clermont Auvergne (France)*
- 15:30** Green financing and the relationship between banks and non-financial corporations through the lens of balance-sheet interaction
Michael Harrison, *University of East London (United Kingdom)*, Mimoza Shabani*, *University of East London (United Kingdom)*
- 16:00** Coffee Break



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Parallel Session 12: Forecasting (2)

Amphitheatre

- 16:30 Supervised autoencoder MLP for financial time series forecasting**
Bartosz Bieganski, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*, Robert Slepaczuk*, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*
- 17:00 Forecasting market overreactions through Twitter sentiment analysis on Apple example**
Szymon Lis*, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*
- 17:30 Don't stop me now! Identification and prediction of unnecessary volatility interruptions**
Benjamin Clapham, *Goethe-University Frankfurt (Germany)*, Florian Ewald, *Goethe-University Frankfurt (Germany)*, Peter Gomber, *Goethe-University Frankfurt (Germany)*, Trimpe Niklas*
Goethe-University Frankfurt (Germany)

Parallel Session 13: Uncertainty & Hedging

Room 1

- 16:30 Optimal hedging of equity index options portfolios**
Maciej Wysocki*, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*, Robert Slepaczuk, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*
- 17:00 Fixed-income Asian and Australian options: A pricing approach based on extended square-root mean-reverting models**
Belen León-Pérez*, *Quant AI Lab (Spain)*, Manuel Moreno, *University of Castilla La Mancha (Spain)*
- 17:30 Effectiveness of insolvency and bankruptcy in India: A study of select cases**
Augustin Paul Kambakula*, *Mahindra University (India)*, Vinay Raj Katakam (*India*)

GALA DINNER

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19:00 – 22:00



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Friday, 13th September, 2024

09:00 Coffee

Parallel Session 14: Portfolio Choice

Amphitheatre

9:30 **Arbitrage opportunities**

Lauter Tobias*, *Macquarie University (Australia) & Leibniz University Hannover (Germany)*,
Marcel Prokopczuk, *Leibniz University Hannover (Germany)*

10:00 **Portfolio's weighted political risk and mutual fund performance: A text-based approach**

Huong Giang Nguyen*, *IPAG Business School & RITM, Paris Saclay University (France)*, Khanh
Hoang, *Lincoln University (New Zealand)*, Quan M.P. Nguyen (*University of Sussex, United
Kingdom*), Hung Xuan Do, *Massey University (New Zealand) & University of Technology Sydney
(Australia)*, Duc Khuong Nguyen, *EMLV Business School (France)*

10:30 **Hedge fund portfolio construction using poly model theory and iTransformer**

Joe Cao*, *Stony Brook University (United States)*, Raphael Douady, *University Paris 1 Panthéon-
Sorbonne (France)*, Siqiao Zhao, *Stony Brook University (United States)*, Zhikang Dong, *Stony
Brook University (United States)*

Parallel Session 15: Machine Learning (2)

Room 1

9:30 **Forecasting public debt in the Euro Area using machine learning: Decision tools for financial markets**

Emmanouil Sofianos*, *University of Strasbourg (France)*, Amélie Barbier-Gauchard *University of
Strasbourg (France)*

10:00 **Algorithmic crypto trading using information-driven bars and triple barrier labeling: Transformer vs conventional deep learning and machine learning models**

Przemysław Grądzki, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*, Piotr Wójcik*, *University of Warsaw
(Poland)*, Stefan Lessmann, *Humboldt University of Berlin (Germany)*

10:30 **Mean absolute directional loss: A new loss function for machine learning models in algorithmic investment strategies**

Paweł Sakowski*, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*, Robert Ślepaczuk, *University of Warsaw
(Poland)*, Jakub Michańków, *University of Warsaw (Poland)*

11:00 Coffee Break



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Parallel Session 16: Derivatives

Amphitheatre

11:30 Liquidity derivatives

Ruggero Jappelli*, *Warwick Business School (United Kingdom)*, Matteo Bagnara, *EDHEC Business School (France)*

12:00 Pricing electricity derivatives: A mean-reverting and seasonal approach

Ana Simonovic, *Allianz Technology (Spain)*, Luca Schmiemann, *Triodos Bank Germany (Germany)*, Manuel Moreno*, *University of Castilla-La Mancha (Spain)*, Federico Platania, *Institut Supérieur de Gestion (ISG) (France)*

Parallel Session 17: Machine Learning (3)

Room 1

11:30 How AI innovation contributes to the advanced countries' technological progress in terms of Solow-Cobb-Douglas production function

Yasuaki Watanabe*, *Kindai University (Japan)*

12:00 Innovative techniques to predict churn in the French insurance industry: Integration of machine learning with the Grabit model

Christophe Schalck*, *IPAG Business School (France)*, Meryem Yankol-Schalck, *IPAG Business School (France)*

12:30 Coffee Break

13:00 End of conference



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Publication opportunities

- Special Issue in the **Journal of Forecasting**; Issue Editor: Prof. Hans-Jörg von Mettenheim.
- Special Issue in the **Research in International Business and Finance** "[Social Finance: New Challenges and Paradigms. Recognizing the social embeddedness of economy and business](#)"; Issue Editor: Prof. Maria Giuseppina Bruna & Prof. Ahmed Imran Hunjra.

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