

on Sustainable Finance

SUSTAINABLE FINANCE RESEARCH FORUM

27-28 June 2024 Hybrid event

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All times are in Central European Summer Time Conference Centre (Building 36) — Room A (First floor)

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10:00 – 10:30	Welcome coffee
10:30 – 10:45	Opening: Mikel Landabaso (Director, European Commission - JRC) and Jessica Cariboni (Head of Unit, European Commission - JRC)
10:45 – 12:00	Academic Session 1: Financial markets and ESG performance
	 Chair: Kevin Flowers (Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission – DG ENV) Carmelo Latino (Goethe University): Surfing the green wave: What's in a "green" name change? Martina Henge, Ugo Panizza and Richard Varghese (International Monetary Fund): Carbon policy and stock returns: Signals from financial markets. Thomas Cauthorn, Samuel Drempetic (University of Kassel), Andreas Hoepner, Christian Klein and Adair Morse: Climate postures. Max Göttsche, Paul A. Griffin, Florian Habermann (HEC Lausanne), Frank Schiemann and Theresa Spandel: Materiality as a double-edged sword: Real effects of SASB sustainability topics.
12:00 – 13:00	Keynote speech: Olivier David Zerbib (ENSAE)
13:00 – 14:30	Poster session & lunch
14:30 – 16:00	Panel: Climate finance: approaches from policy, industry and research
	Chair: Serena Fatica (European Commission - JRC)
	Panelists: Stefano Battiston (Ca' Foscari University and University of Zurich) Sarah Federman (Carbon Direct) Tilmann Morata Liebert (European Commission – DG CLIMA)

Yann Robiou du Pont (Utrecht University)

Coffee break



16:00 - 16:30

16:30 – 17:45 Academic Session 2: Carbon emissions

Chair: Tilmann Morata Liebert (European Commission – DG CLIMA)

- 1. Joop Huij, **Dries Laurs** (Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam), Philip Stork and Remco Zwinkels: *Pricing pollution: Asset-pricing implications of the EU emissions trading system.*
- 2. Katarzyna Burzynska, Sara Jonsson, **Lu Liu** (Stockholm University) and Michał Dzieliński: *Director networks and carbon emissions.*
- 3. Ling Liao, **Ivan Diaz-Rainey** (Griffith University) and Duminda Kuruppuarachchi: Does carbon premium differ among estimated, mandatorily- and voluntarily-disclosed emissions? Evidence in Australia.
- 4. Martina Barbaglia, **Jonathan Taglialatela** (Politecnico di Milano), Giancarlo Giudici and David Hillier: *Carbon intensity and capital structure: Exploring the impact of leverage on carbon performance.*

17.45 – 18:15 Workshop **Taxonomy-aligning benchmarks** with **Andreas Hoepner** (University College Dublin)

18:45 – 21:00 Reception and social dinner with networking at Restaurant Belvedere, Ranco

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9:00 – 09:30 Welcome coffee

9:30 – 10:45 **Academic Session 3: Banks**

Chair: **Dominik Hirschbuehl** (European Commission – JRC)

- 1. Allen N. Berger, **Cristina Ortega** (University of Malaga), Matias O. Busch and Raluca A. Roman: Save or not save planet earth? A quasi-natural experiment with the Brazilian Amazon.
- 2. Clément Mazet-Sonilhac and **Jean-Stéphane Mésonnier** (Banque de France): Some don't like it hot: Bank depositors and NGO campaigns against fossil fuels.
- 3. **Bálint Várgedő** (Central Bank of Hungary), Csaba Burger and Donát Kim: *Green firms are less risky: Results from a preferential capital requirement program in emerging Europe.*
- 4. **Quyen Nguyen** (University of Otago), Ivan Diaz-Rainey, Owyn Aitken, Greg Bodeker, Simon Cox, Tony Moore, Ryan Paulik and Rebecca Welsh: *Extreme seas, climate change and banking stability: A bottom-up temporospatial stress test in the context of domestic real estate.*

10:45 – 11:45 Social Event

Group 1: European Crisis Management Laboratory (ECML)

Group 2: Advanced Safeguards Measurement, Monitoring and Modelling Lab (AS3LM)

Group 3: European Microwave Signature Laboratory (EMSL)









11:45 – 12:00 Coffee break

12:00 – 13:15 Panel: Nature-related financial risks

Moderator: **Andreas Hoepner** (University College Dublin)

Panelists:

Lucia Alessi (Team Leader, European Commission – JRC)

Marie Baumgarts (KPMG)

Kevin Flowers (Deputy Head of Unit, European Commission – DG ENV)

Ingmar Juergens (Climate & Company)

13:15 – 14:45 **Poster Session** & lunch

14:45 – 16:00 Academic Session 4: Investment funds

Chair: Marco Petracco (European Commission – JRC)

- 1. Annamaria De Crescenzio and **Etienne Lepers** (OECD): What drives capital to green companies in emerging markets: Evidence from investment funds.
- Daniel Marcel te Kaat, Alexander Raabe and Yuanjie Tian (Southwestern University
 of Finance and Economics): Greening thy neighbor: How the US Inflation Reduction
 Act drives climate finance globally.
- 3. Andreas Hoepner and **Gabija Zdanceviciute** (University College Dublin): *EU climate benchmarks: Fund performance and return characteristics.*
- 4. **Lara Spaans** (Utrecht University), Jeroen Derwall, Joop Huij and Kees Koedijk: Sustainable Finance Disclosure Regulation: voluntary signaling or mandatory disclosure?

16:00 – 16:15 Closing remarks: Lucia Alessi (European Commission – JRC) and Andreas Hoepner (University College Dublin)

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Poster Session 1

- 1. **M. Neupert-Zhuang** (Frankfurt School of Finance and Management): A tale of financial advice with sustainability preferences and fees: Do retail investors take the advice?
- 2. **N. Hastreiter** (London School of Economics): *Can investor coalitions regulate corporate climate action?*
- 3. M. Bellia, **F. E. di Girolamo** (European Commission Joint Research Centre), A. Pagano and G. Papadopoulos: *Local banks and flood risk: The case of Germany.*
- 4. C. Bannier and **H. Flach** (Justus-Liebig-Universitaet Giessen): *European corporate sustainability reporting The financial materiality compass as an auxiliary tool.*
- 5. **A. Venturini** (University of Reading), A. Dufour, I. Shaffrey and S. Varotto: *Climate adaptation disclosure: Does it bring home the green?*
- 6. **S. Erhart** (European Commission Joint Research Centre), S. Szabo and K. Erhart: *Climate change transition and physical risks of industrial companies in Australia, Canada, the European Union and the United States.*
- 7. M. Faralli and **C. Tomaselli** (Imperial College London): *Greening the red: The relationship between climate risk and corporate financial distress.*
- 8. A. Hoepner and **F. Schneider** (Dublin City University): Exit vs voice vs denial of (re)entry: Assessing investor impact mechanisms on corporate climate transition.
- 9. **F. Grieco** (Banque de France), C. Macaire, A. Naef and U. Volz. *The path to zero coal: Bridging the time inconsistency.*

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Poster Session 2

- 1. **M. Diakho** (University Rennes) and F. Moraux and: Asset stranding, climate credit risk and capital structure design under global warming.
- 2. A. D'Ignazio, **D. Marconi** (Banca d'Italia) and M. Stacchini: *Micro-entrepreneurs towards the twin sustainable and digital transition. Does financial literacy play a role?*
- 3. **O. Reichmann** (European Central Bank), N. Sauter and B. Osorno Torres: Greening benchmarks and simulating decarbonisation paths of fixed income portfolios.
- 4. **J. Eckert** (University of Kassel), D. Engler, G. Gutsche, M. Dumrose, B. Zwergel: How do individuals perceive the EU taxonomy?
- 5. **J. Linsley-Parrish** (University of Oxford), B. Caldecott and F. Liu: *Investor stewardship of sovereign debt portfolios: Is real-world impact possible?*
- 6. **M. Bohnet** (Humbold University Berlin), P. Fliegel and T. Tax: *Zooming in on biodiversity risk: The pricing of deforestation risk on international financial markets.*
- 7. **A. Fontana** (European Central Bank), B. Jarmulska, B. Scheid, C. Scheins and C. Schwarz: From flood to fire: Is physical climate risk taken into account in banks' residential mortgage rates?
- 8. **A. M. Gargiulo** (University of Lausanne): Sustainability linked bonds: A comparative analysis with green bonds.
- 9. S. Fatica, I. Grammatikopoulou, **D. Hirschbuehl** (European Commission JRC), A. La Notte and D. Pisani: *European SMEs' exposure to ecosystems and natural hazards: A first exploration.*

General information

Registration for online participation

https://ec.europa.eu/eusurvey/runner/SustFin2024

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