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2024 Global Corporate Governance Colloquium GCGC

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Friday, 14 June 2024 | Saturday, 15 June 2024

About the Event

The Global Corporate Governance Colloquia (GCGC) is a global initiative to bring together the best research in law, economics, and finance relating to corporate governance at a yearly conference held at 12 leading universities in the Americas, Asia and Europe. The 12 hosting institutions are:

Columbia University, Harvard University, Imperial College London, National University of Singapore, Peking University, Seoul National University, Stanford University, Stockholm University, University of Oxford, University of Tokyo, Yale University and Goethe University Frankfurt (Leibniz Institute for Financial Research SAFE and DFG LawFin Center).

The conference series aims to attract current research papers of the highest scholarly quality in the field of corporate governance. The conferences are primarily 'academic to academic' events with some participants from industry and the public sector, including the practitioner partners of GCGC and other invited panelists. Japan Exchange Group (JPX) is a Practitioner Partner.



PROGRAMME

FRIDAY, 14 JUNE

08:15	Registration
08:45	Welcome: Jeffrey N. Gordon (Columbia Law School), Conference Chair
	Session 1: Chaired by Gen Goto (University of Tokyo)
09:00	“Glossy Green” Banks: The Disconnect Between Environmental Disclosures and Lending Activities <i>(Mariassunta Giannetti, Martina Jasova, Maria Loumioti, and Caterina Mendicino)</i> Presenter: Martina Jasova (Barnard College, Columbia University) Discussant: Boris Vallée (Harvard University)
10:00	Decarbonizing Institutional Investor Portfolios: Helping to Green the Planet or Just Greening Your Portfolio? <i>(Vaska Atta-Darkua, Simon Glossner, Philipp Krueger, Pedro Matos)</i> Presenter: Pedro Matos (University of Virginia and ECGI) Discussant: Marco Becht (Université libre de Bruxelles and ECGI)
11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
	Session 2: Chaired by Elizabeth Pollman (University of Pennsylvania & ECGI)
11:30	Panel Discussion: “What the Government Asks of Firms” Moderator: Kathryn Judge (Columbia University and ECGI) Panelists: Peter Goodman , Economics Reporter, New York Times Bharat Ramamurti , Former Deputy Director of the National Economic Council, USA
12:30	Half the Firms, Twice the Profits: Public Firms' Transformation, 1996-2022 <i>(Mark J. Roe, Charles C.Y. Wang)</i> Presenters: Mark J. Roe (Harvard Law School and ECGI) Discussant: Tobias Tröger (Goethe University Frankfurt, Leibniz Institute SAFE and ECGI)
13:30	<i>Lunch break</i>

Session 3: Chaired by **Jennifer Hill** (Monash University and ECGI)

14:30

How Did Corporations Get Stuck in Politics and Can They Escape?

(Jill Fisch, Jeff Schwartz)

Presenter: **Jill Fisch** (University of Pennsylvania Law School and ECGI)

Discussant: **Matteo Gatti** (Rutgers Law School and ECGI)

15:30

Corporate Actions as Moral Issues

(Elisabeth Kempf, Oliver Spalt)

Presenter: **Oliver Spalt** (University of Mannheim and ECGI)

Discussant: **Stavros Gadinis** (Berkeley and ECGI)

16:30

Coffee break

Session 4: Chaired by **Mike Klausner** (Stanford University and ECGI)

Flows, Financing Decisions, and Institutional Ownership of the U.S. Equity Market

(Alon Brav, Dorothy Lund, Lin Zhao)

Presenter: **Dorothy Lund** (Columbia University and ECGI)

Discussant: **Martin Schmalz** (University of Oxford and ECGI)

Ends

Reception & Dinner - Lincoln Center

SATURDAY, 15 JUNE

Arrival

Session 5: Chaired by **John Morley** (Yale University and ECGI)

09:00

Placeholder CEOs

(Mario Daniele Amore, Morten Bennesen, Vikas Mehrotra, Jungwook Shim, Yupana Wiwattanakantang)

Presenter: **Yupana Wiwattanakantang** (National University of Singapore and ECGI)

Discussant: **Ruth Aguilera** (Northeastern University)

10:00

Specialist Directors

(Yaron Nili, Roy Shapira)

Presenter: **Roy Shapira** (Reichman University and ECGI)

Discussant: **Fabrizio Ferri** (University of Miami and ECGI)

11:00

Coffee break

Session 6: Chaired by **Erik Lidman** (University of Stockholm)

11:30

Corporate Law in the Global South: Heterodox Stakeholderism

Presenter: **Mariana Pargendler** (FGV Law School, São Paulo and ECGI)

Discussant: **Umakanth Varottil** (National University of Singapore and ECGI)

12:30

The Global Corporate Purpose Continuum: The Case for Diversity

(Aurelio Gurrea Martinez, Geneviève Helleringer, Dan Puchniak, Georg Ringe)

Presenters: **Dan Puchniak** (Singapore Management University and ECGI) **Geneviève Helleringer** (ESSEC Business School, University of Oxford and ECGI), **Georg Ringe** (University of Hamburg and ECGI)

Discussant: **Joon Hyug Chung** (Seoul National University)

13:30

Lunch break

Session 7: Chaired by **Curtis Milhaupt** (Stanford University and ECGI)

14:30

Does Mandatory Bid Rule Discourage Acquisitions above the Threshold?

(Yongjoon Lee, Bushik Kim, and Woochan Kim)

Presenter: **Woochan Kim** (Korea University Business School and ECGI)

Discussant: **Mireia Giné** (IESE Business School and ECGI)

15:30

The Rise of Private Equity Continuation Funds

(Kobi Kastiel, Yaron Nili)

Presenter: **Kobi Kastiel** (Tel Aviv University and ECGI)

Discussant: **Simon Witney** (London School of Economics)

16:30

Closing Remarks

17:30

Reception - Arthouse Hotel

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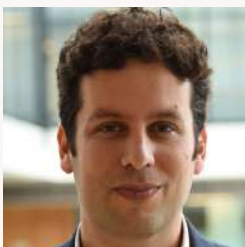
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