



5th Annual Boca-ECGI Corporate Finance and Governance Conference

ABOUT THE EVENT

The Universidad CEU San Pablo, Madrid, Spain in partnership with the ECGI, is delighted to invite you to the 5th Annual Boca-ECGI Corporate Finance and Governance Conference. The conference will be hybrid, held at the Universidad CEU San Pablo, Madrid, Spain, and virtually, on 13 and 14 December 2024. The conference has three tracks (A), (B), and (C) over Friday December 13, 2024, to Saturday December 14, 2024. Register here!

The conference is sponsored by the British Academy of Management through the Corporate Governance Special Interest Group, and Florida Atlantic University.

Programme

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 2024 TRACK C	
(Central Standard Time Zone: CET)	
	Track C Session 5C Leverage & Capital Structure Session Chair: Irma Martínez (Universidad San Pablo-CEU)
08:45	Industry Characteristics and Leverage: A Quantitative Analysis Prerna Mishra (Georgia State University), Ajay Subramanian (Georgia State University) Presenter: Prerna Mishra (Georgia State University) Discussant: Trang Quynh Vu (Norwegian School of Economics)
09:15	Private Information and the Design of Financial Securities: Empirical Evidence from Collateralized Loan Obligations Xinxin Zhang (Tulane University) Presenter: Xinxin Zhang (Tulane University) Discussant: Amir N. Licht (Reichman University and ECGI)
09:45	Conditional Pecking Order Tore Leite (Norwegian School of Economics), Karin S. Thorburn (Norwegian School of Economics), Trang Quynh Vu (Norwegian School of Economics) Presenter: Trang Quynh Vu (Norwegian School of Economics) Discussant: Prerna Mishra (Georgia State University)
10:15	Coffee Break
	Track C Session 6C Innovation Session Chair: Douglas Cumming (Florida Atlantic University and ECGI)
10:30	Technology spillover effects and patent announcements

Dominik Walter (University of Konstanz)





Presenter: **Dominik Walter** (University of Konstanz) Discussant: Anahit Mkrtchyan (University of Massachusetts) Creativity without walls: The case of open innovation 11:00 John (Jianqiu) Bai (Northeastern University), Rui Dai (Wharton Research Data Services), Anahit Mkrtchyan (University of Massachusetts Amherst), Chi Wan (University of Massachusetts) Presenter: Anahit Mkrtchyan (University of Massachusetts Amherst) Discussant: Catrina Achilles (University of Göttingen) Do green innovation attract institutional investors? 11:30 Chandra Thapa (University of Strathclyde), Athimet Chetteeraphat (University of Strathclyde), Krishna Paudyal (University of Strathclyde), Biwesh Neupane (University of Strathclyde) Presenter: **Biwesh Neupane** (University of Strathclyde) Discussant: **Dominik Walter** (University of Konstanz) Lunch 12:00 **Announcements and Meet the Editors** 13:00 Best Paper and Best Reviewer Awards Track C | Session 7C | Climate Session Chair: Miryam Martínez (CEU San Pablo University) **Environmental Penalties and Green Talk: Evidence from Conference Calls** 13:45 Chiara De Amicis (Skema Business School), Sonia Falconieri (Bayes Business School) Presenter: Sonia Falconieri (Bayes Business School) Discussant: Miryam Martínez (CEU San Pablo University) Propagation of E&S Concerns in Firm Networks: Evidence from 14:15 **Shareholder Proposals in the US** Ting Yu (University of Cambridge) Presenter: Ting Yu (University of Cambridge) Discussant: Gabriela Contreras (Radboud University) **Decrypting the Financial and Ecological Real Effects of Biodiversity** 14:45 Conservation Luoye Chen (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology), Living Wang (University of Liverpool), Yi Zhang (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology) Presenter: Liying Wang (University of Liverpool) Discussant: Enshuai Yu (Boston College) Algorithmic innovation for corporate social responsibility in the use of Al: 15:15 Design of inclusive algorithms in selection processes to establish minimum European standards, with a proposal lege ferenda Paloma Rodríguez Martínez (UAH) Presenter: Paloma Rodríguez Martínez (UAH) Discussant: Ruth Mateos de Cabo (CEU San Pablo University)

15:45

Coffee Break





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Session Chair: Silvia Gómez Ansón (Universidad de Oviedo)

16:00 Inside the Blackbox of Firm Environmental Efforts: Evidence from

Emissions Reduction Initiatives

Catrina Achilles (University of Göttingen), Peter Limbach (University of Bielefeld and Centre for Financial Research), Michael Wolff (University of Göttingen), Aaron Yoon (Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University)

Presenter: Catrina Achilles (University of Göttingen) Discussant: Joy Wilkinson (Florida Atlantic University)

16:30 Do auditors understand the implications of ESG issues for their audits?

Evidence from financially material negative ESG incidents

Daniel Aobdia (The Pennsylvania State University), Aaron Yoon (Kellogg School

of Management Northwestern University)

Presenter: Daniel Aobdia (The Pennsylvania State University)

Discussant: Mrinal Mishra (University of Melbourne)

17:00 <u>Different Shades of Green Promises: Estimating their Real Impact</u>

Emanuela Benincasa (University of Zurich), Jonathan Fu (University of Zurich),

Mrinal Mishra (University of Melbourne)

Presenter: **Mrinal Mishra** (University of Melbourne) Discussant: **Paul Freed** (University of South Carolina)

17:30 How does workforce sexual harassment litigation affect board gender

diversity?

Stefano Bonini (Stevens Institute of Technology) Balbinder Singh Gill (Stevens

Institute of Technology) Kose John (New York University)

Presenter: Balbinder Singh Gill (Stevens Institute of Technology)

Discussant: Lorenzo Escot Mangas (Universidad Complutense de Madrid)

19:00 Conference Dinner