

Keynote-Speech "Mehr als ESG: Impact"
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Editorial

In 2017, University of Liechtenstein successfully conducted the "Workshop Sustainable Finance" for the first time. In 2019 we would like to continue this success story by offering this year's workshop on May 14, 2019.

Our workshop meets the rapidly increasing interest in financial products, which promote a transformation towards a sustainable society. This workshop is aimed at researchers in the field of sustainable finance as well as employees in finance who want to deal with current research results and to identify which trends are emerging. With this platform we intend to intensify discussions between researchers and practitioners. Each paper presented will be discussed by an academic discussant as well as by a discussant from practice.

With a Call for Papers we cordially invite research oriented academics at universities (PhD students, lecturers, professors etc.) as well as consulting firms, associations, market authorities etc. to contribute with papers on sustainable issues in banking & finance. Analytical, theoretical and empirical papers are welcome. As an example, topics could be on sustainable investing & finance, ESG related finance, (social) Impact Investing, renewable energy finance etc.

In the coming years, already implemented and under-paced regulatory projects will ensure that sustainability will severely affect business practices in general as well as actors and products of the financial industry. This workshop is designed to stimulate researchers, but also the financial practice and provide guidance.

This event is enriched by a keynote speech by an outstanding personality. Although participants in the complete workshop will be asked for a modest contribution, the attendance in the keynote speech is without any charge open to the interested public (registration is required).

Prof. Dr. Marco J. Menichetti Chair in Business Administration, Banking and Financial Management

Programme

Tuesday, 14 May 2019

Welcome and Introduction

09.00 – 09.10 Prof. Dr. Marco J. Menichetti

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Paper Presentations and Discussion

09.10 - 09.40	Are Insurance Balance Sheets Carbon-Neutral? Harnessing Asset Pricing for Climate-Change Policy Speaker: Prof. Dr. Sebastian Utz, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland Co-authors: Prof. Dr. Alexander Braun and Dr. Jiahua Xu, University of St. Gallen, Switzerland
09.45 – 10.15	Beneficiaries of pension funds – individual sustainability preferences and the potential to decarbonize pension fund portfolios Speaker: Maximilian Bong, M.Sc., University of Stuttgart, Germany Co-author: Prof. Dr. Henry Schäfer, University of Stuttgart, Germany
10.20 – 10.50	Management of Environmental and Social Risks and Topics in the Banking Sector - an Empirical Investigation Speaker: Ute Laun, Research Assistant and PhD Student, University of Zurich, Switzerland Co-authors: Dr. Katrin Hummel and Dr. Annette Krauss, University of Zurich, Switzerland
10.55 – 11.25	A risk management perspective on CSR and the marginal cost of debt - empirical evidence from Europe Speaker: Othar Kordsachia, Phd-candidate, University of Lüneburg, Germany
11.25 – 12.00	SANDWICHES & DRINKS
12.00 – 12.30	Shareholder Engagement on Environmental, Social and Governance Performance Speaker: Dr. Tamas Barko, University of Mannheim, Germany Co-authors: Martijn Cremers, University of Notre Dame, United States and Luc Renneboog, Tilburg University, Netherlands

12.35 - 1.05

ESG-Investing: Corporate Social Responsibility in the U.S. and Europe Speaker: Björn Rock, M. Sc., Justus-Liebig University of Giessen, Germany Co-authors: Prof. Dr. Christina E. Bannier and Yannick Bofinger, M.Sc., Justus-Liebig University of Giessen, Germany

Award Ceremony

1.15 – 1.30 **Be**

Best Paper Award: VP Bank AG, Vaduz

Impact Award: Life Climate Foundation Liechtenstein, Vaduz

Keynote Speech (open to public, German, slides in English)

1.30 - 2.00

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Closing Words

2.00 - 2.10

Prof. Dr. Marco J. Menichetti

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General Information

Participants

Academically interested professionals from Corporations, Banks, Asset and Investment Management Companies, Insurance Companies, Financial Advisory Services, Tax Administration, Lawyers, Trustees, Fund Managers and Financial Auditors. Research oriented academics from Universities (PhD Students, lecturers, professors) in the field of finance, graduate and undergraduate students with interest in finance.

Location

University of Liechtenstein, Vaduz

Time

Tuesday, 14 May 2019

Workshop: 9.00 a.m. - 2.10 p.m. Keynote Speech: 1.30 – 2.00 p.m.

Registration

For registration visit **www.uni.li/sustainablefinance** or send an e-mail to banking@uni.li.

Costs:

CHF 50.- per person including sandwiches and drinks.

Reason for discount: uni.li Student BSc, MSc, PhD (free of charge), uni.li Student Executive Programmes (50% reduction, CHF 25.- for the whole Workshop), Students from other universities (50% reduction, CHF 25.- for the whole Workshop)

If you only want to attend the Keynote-Speech, this is free of charge. Please indicate your choice at your registration.

Deadline for Registration

Tuesday, 7 May 2019 (Workshop) Friday, 10 May 2019 (Keynote Speech)

Contact and Information

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University of Liechtenstein

2019 Workshop Sustainable Finance

May 14th, 2019 Vaduz, Liechtenstein

CALL FOR PAPERS

The Institute for Finance at the University of Liechtenstein is pleased to announce a call for papers for a small and exclusive conference on sustainable finance, which will be held on May 14th, 2019 at the University of Liechtenstein in Vaduz, Principality of Liechtenstein.

The aim of the workshop is to bridge a gap between academics and professionals on issues surrounding sustainable finance, with a primary focus on asset and investment management. As such we invite complete empirical and theoretical academic papers, which will be discussed both by an academic and a practitioner. Topics of special interest are, but not limited to:

- ESG related research (integration, materiality, risk relevance, etc.)
- Green bonds
- Low carbon portfolio management
- Sustainable Developments Goals (SDGs)
- Regulatory issues (MiFID II, IDD, Benchmark Regulation, etc.)
- Impact Investing

Papers presented at the conference will be invited for submission to the Palgrave Macmillan Series "Studies in impact finance" and to the Topical Collection "Sustainability in Financial Industry" of the journal <u>Sustainability</u>.

KEY DATES

Deadline for submission of full papers: April 2nd, 2019 Notification of paper acceptance: April 16th, 2019

SUBMISSION PROCEDURE

Papers should be submitted by email to banking@uni.li with the subject "2019 Paper Submission".

KEY NOTE

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AWARDS

The VP Bank AG Liechtenstein will award the "2019 Best Paper Award" (CHF 2,000) to the best overall academic paper presented. LIFE Climate Foundation Liechtenstein will award the "2019 Impact Award" (CHF 2,000) for the paper with the highest relevance for climate protection and sustainability.

FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information about the workshop or the call for papers, please visit the workshop website www.uni.li/sustainablefinance or contact banking@uni.li







Institute for Finance

The Institute for Finance consists of the departments of Finance and Taxation, and currently comprises three Chairs. The Institute is concerned with central questions and problems in the field of private and public wealth management. It analyses, in particular, the international developments and challenges which are of crucial importance for the successful development of Liechtenstein as a business and financial centre and for its protagonists in the fields of politics, administration, economics and controlling. In addition, the Institute for Finance makes its voice heard internationally in putting across Liechtenstein's position at theoretical and practical level. The focus here is not just on Liechtenstein, but also embraces other German-speaking regions, being consistently based on a comparative cross-border four-countries approach: FL, AT, CH, DE.

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Location

