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## **Prof. Dr. Jean-Charles Rochet appointed as new SFI Head of Research**

The Swiss Finance Institute (SFI) has appointed Prof. Dr. Jean-Charles Rochet as the Head of Research as of February 2015, succeeding Prof. Dr. Rajna Gibson from the University of Geneva who has held this position for since 2006. Rochet will rely on his experience as SFI Center Head Zurich and his acknowledged expertise in the areas of banking crises and regulation to carry forward the research initiatives at SFI. He is Professor of Banking at our department, and has held an SFI Senior Chair at the University of Zurich since April 2010. Before joining the faculty in Zurich, he was a professor at the Toulouse School of Economics.

Rochet is himself a renowned scholar. He is the author of “Why Are There so Many Banking Crises?”, a book shedding light on the causes of recent and past banking crises, and is recognized as having done very successful work with Swiss banking. In February 2014, Rochet has authored the first SFI White Paper on “The Extra Cost of Swiss Banking Regulation”, studying the impact of the banking regulations that were enacted by Swiss Authorities in 2012, in addition to the recommendations of the Basel Committee on Banking Supervision (Basel III). Among others, he analyses the pros and cons of a reinforced leverage ratio, as being currently discussed in different jurisdictions, including Switzerland.

Since its creation in 2006, the Swiss Finance Institute (SFI) has achieved an outstanding degree of academic recognition and is ranked among the “top-25” financial Research institutes worldwide. Currently, SFI Faculty integrates more than 60 professors from six SFI partner institutions across Switzerland, including 14 professors from our department. Since 2013, the State Secretariat for Education, Research and Innovation (SERI) finances 20 research projects related to financial economics directly through SFI. Research project funding is awarded on a strictly competitive basis among researchers based in Switzerland under the supervision of the SFI Project Evaluation Committee, and the SFI Head of Research.

Link: [http://www.swissfinanceinstitute.ch/communicationhor\\_sfi\\_2015-01-30\\_0900\\_vf.pdf](http://www.swissfinanceinstitute.ch/communicationhor_sfi_2015-01-30_0900_vf.pdf)

We congratulate Jean-Charles Rochet for having been selected for this important position of trust!

Prof. Dr. Thorsten Hens  
Head Department of Banking and Finance



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## AKTUELL/ANKÜNDIGUNGEN

## LATEST NEWS/COMING EVENTS

### Handelsblatt BWL-Ranking 2014

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*Die forschungstärksten BWL-Fakultäten in Deutschland, Österreich und der Schweiz:*

*Die UZH ist Spitze – Massgeblicher Beitrag durch erfolgreiche IBF Professoren!*

Die Handelsblatt-Studie orientiert sich an international gängigen Standards zur Evaluierung wirtschaftswissenschaftlicher Forschung. Betrachtet werden Publikationen in Fachzeitschriften, deren unterschiedliche Qualität berücksichtigt wird. Die Konjunkturforschungsstelle der ETH Zürich erstellt die Rangliste im Auftrag des Handelsblatts. Insgesamt werden dabei weit über 2000 Forscher und mehr als 1000 Journale – darunter 17 Top-Journale - berücksichtigt.

Das neueste Ranking der BWL-Fakultäten vom Dezember 2014 berücksichtigt die Forschungsleistung aller jeweiligen Fakultätsmitglieder über die letzten 10 Jahre. Die BWL-Fakultät der UZH erzielt hierbei von allen Fakultäten den **ersten Rang gemessen an Publikationen in den sogenannten Top-Journalen** (A+ bzw. A Journale im Handelsblatt Ranking). Unter Berücksichtigung aller Publikationen kommt die UZH mit 35 gewerteten Professoren (etwa je zur Hälfte vom IBF und vom IBW) auf den zweiten Rang.

In den jeweiligen Einzelranglisten platzieren sich folgende IBF Professoren unter den Top 40.  
Herzliche Gratulation!

*Grundlage: Publikationen in Top-Journal (A+)*

*Lebenswerk (A+ Journal)*

Platz 5: Felix Kübler

Platz 6: Jean Charles Rochet

Platz 9: Kjell Nyborg

Platz 17: Steven Ongena

Platz 26: Michel Habib

Platz 29: Thorsten Hens

*Beste Forschungsleistung letzte 5 Jahre (A+ Journal)*

Platz 4: Felix Kübler

Platz 5: Steven Ongena

Platz 11: Jean Charles Rochet

*Beste Nachwuchsforscher unter 40 (A+ Journal)*

Platz 3: Per Östberg

Platz 8: Alexander Wagner

Platz 10: Alexandre Ziegler

*Grundlage: Alle Publikationen*

*Lebenswerk*

Platz 5: Jean Charles Rochet

Platz 21: Felix Kübler

Platz 38 : Thorsten Hens

*Beste Forschungsleistung (letzte 5 Jahre)*

Platz 22: Steven Ongena

Platz 26: Felix Kübler

*Beste Nachwuchsforscher unter 40*

Platz 30: Alexandre Ziegler

Platz 39: Alexander Wagner

Quelle: <http://tool.handelsblatt.com/tabelle/index.php?id=146>

Methodik: [http://htmldb-hosting.net/pls/htmldb/FMONITORING.download\\_my\\_file?p\\_file=921](http://htmldb-hosting.net/pls/htmldb/FMONITORING.download_my_file?p_file=921)

### Antrittsvorlesung

### Inaugural Lecture

Prof. **S. Ongena** hält am Montag, 11. Mai 2015, um 19.30 Uhr, seine Antrittsvorlesung zum Thema „Topics in Empirical Banking“. Die Antrittsvorlesung ist öffentlich und findet in der Aula der Universität statt (Rämistrasse 71, Raum KOL-G 201). Alle Interessierten sind herzlich eingeladen.

## EU Projekt

## EU project

Prof. **S. Battiston**'s new EU Project DOLFINS, starting in March 2015, is the first (and the only one for now) [Horizon 2020 "FET Proactive" project](#) with a coordinator based in Switzerland. DOLFINS will provide tools to improve policy development connected with the management of financial crises and with the facilitation of long term investments. The total budget amounts to 4.25 Mio EUR over three years, to be shared among the 14 project partners across Europe. Only 3 out of 52 submitted proposals (success rate 6%) were selected for funding, based on research excellence and relevance! Additionally, Prof. Battiston is co-applicant for two new EU projects: ISIGrowth and SEIMetrics, both starting in spring 2015 (total budget for project team at UZH: about CHF 600'000). We congratulate Stefano for these outstanding achievements!

## CFA Institute Research Challenge

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Dieses Seminar ist eine „hands-on, in-depth“-Veranstaltung zum Thema Unternehmensanalyse. Ziel ist es, in Gruppen ein spezifisch für dieses Seminar ausgesuchtes Schweizer Unternehmen in dessen Marktumfeld systematisch und umfassend zu analysieren und die Erkenntnisse in einem Bericht sowie einer Präsentation zu erfassen. Durch diverse Vorträge aus der Praxis soll das Framework präsentiert sowie die unterschiedlichen Aspekte und Anforderungen in einem Analytischen Bericht erörtert werden.

Der CFA Investment Challenge ist Teil eines schweizweiten Wettbewerbes mit anderen Universitäten. Das Finale wird am 25. Februar 2015 in der Aula der Universität Zürich ausgetragen. Organisatoren sind Prof. **M. Habib**, **D. Ostinelli** und Oliver Müller (CS).

Link: <https://www.cfainstitute.org/pages/index.aspx>

## Kommende Konferenzen

## Upcoming conferences

### *NGOs versus Regulators*

On February 26, 2015, the University of Zurich (Department of Banking and Finance, URPP Financial Market Regulation, University Center for Quantitative Finance and Sustainability) and ETH Zurich (Center of Economic Research) jointly hold a one day conference in Zurich. This public conference will examine the relative roles of NGOs and Regulators regarding environmental and financial risks. Organizers are Profs. **M. Chesney** and **J-C. Rochet** (UZH) and Dr. Julien Daubanes (ETHZ). The keynote speech is held by Prof. David Baron of Stanford University.

### *Risikokommunikation in Basisinformationsblättern (KIID / KID)*

Am Mittwoch, 25. Februar 2015, wird Herr MSc **R. Stössel**, wissenschaftlicher Assistent und Doktorand am Institut für Banking und Finance an der Universität Zürich, im Rahmen der Veranstaltungsreihe "Forum Finanzmarktregulierung" zu diesem Thema ein Referat halten. Die Begrüssung erfolgt durch Prof. **Th. Hens**.

Ort: Hauptgebäude der UZH, Rämistrasse 71, Raum KOL E-18

Zeit: 12.15 – 13.45 h

Anmeldung: über [www.finreg.uzh.ch/events.html](http://www.finreg.uzh.ch/events.html) oder per E-Mail an [forumfinreg@rwi.uzh.ch](mailto:forumfinreg@rwi.uzh.ch).

Anmeldeschluss: Dienstag, 24. Februar 2015 (17 Uhr).

Der Eintritt ist frei.

***Brown Bag Lunch Finance Club***

Wie in jedem Semester organisiert der Finance Club die sogenannten Brown Bag Lunches (BBL) mit Unternehmen aus der Praxis, um den Studierenden und Doktorierenden mit Interesse in den Bereichen Banking, Finance und Consulting den Einstieg ins Berufsleben zu erleichtern. Im Frühjahrssemester 2015 werden folgende Firmen präsentieren:

| <b>Datum</b> | <b>Firma</b>       |
|--------------|--------------------|
| 19. Februar  | EY                 |
| 26. Februar  | BearingPoint       |
| 05. März     | Maerki Baumann     |
| 12. März     | ZKB                |
| 19. März     | Roland Berger      |
| 26. März     | BlackRock          |
| 02. April    | Zurich             |
| 16. April    | McKinsey & Company |
| 23. April    | Zeb                |
| 30. April    | Capco              |
| 07. Mai      | Julius Bär         |
| 21. Mai      | pwc                |

Weitere Informationen auf der Website: <http://www.financeclub.ch/lunches>

***Research Seminar Finance***

Fridays, 12.15 – 13.30 h, lecture room KOL E-21, University main building, Entrance Rämistrasse 71, 8006 Zürich

| <b>Date</b> | <b>Speaker</b>    | <b>University</b>         |
|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| 20. Februar | Laurent Fresard   | University of Maryland    |
| 27. Februar | Fabio Braggion    | Tilburg University        |
| 06. März    | Carol Alexander   | University of Sussex      |
| 13. März    | Sergei Guriev     | Sciences Po               |
| 20. März    | Hendrik Hakenes   | University of Bonn        |
| 27. März    | Hans-Joachim Voth | University of Zurich      |
| 17. April   | Tobias Adrian     | Federal Reserve Bank, NY  |
| 24. April   | Carole Gresse     | Université Paris-Dauphine |
| 08. Mai     | Loriano Mancini   | EPF Lausanne              |
| 22. Mai     | Thomas Noe        | Said Business School      |
| 29. Mai     | Yuhei Xuan        | Harvard Business School   |

For further details and the papers presented, please check the following link:  
[http://www.phd-finance.uzh.ch/Courses/Coursedetails/FS15\\_en.html](http://www.phd-finance.uzh.ch/Courses/Coursedetails/FS15_en.html)

## Weiterbildung

## Ongoing education

### *Finance Weiterbildung*

Mit den Prüfungen zu den Kursen eInvestments und eCorporate Finance Basic fand das Herbstsemester am 16. Januar auch für die Finance Weiterbildung seinen erfolgreichen Abschluss. Die Teilnehmendenzahlen waren einmal mehr sehr erfreulich. Auch die Kurse im Bereich Risk Management, Behavioral Finance und Socially Responsible Investments waren sehr gut besucht. Im kommenden Semester finden neben dem Kurs eDerivatives, in welchem die Grundlagen über Optionen, Futures und Forwards vermittelt werden, und dem neuen Modul eFundamentals of Banking, in welchem Themen wie Banktheorie, Kreditgeschäft und Regulation behandelt werden, vor allem aufbauende Kurse wie eCorporate Valuation und eCorporate Finance Advanced statt. Daneben bietet das IBF auch Präsenzseminare im Bereich Unternehmenssteuern und Strukturierte Produkte an.

### *Center for Microfinance*

The Center for Microfinance at the Department of Banking and Finance is pleased to offer a number of executive courses in 2015:

- Sustainability and Banking: two-days course on sustainability opportunities and risks for the banking industry (in collaboration with WWF Switzerland): March 4 – 5, 2015 (in English)
- Emerging Markets Finance: two-days course on opportunities and risks in emerging markets, with a focus on investments: April 16-17, 2015 (in English)
- Microfinance – Introduction: one-day course on the basics of microfinance in emerging and developing economies (in collaboration with SDC): June 29, 2015 (in English)
- Microfinance – State of the Art: two-days in-depth course following the introductory course: June 30 and July 1, 2015 (in English)
- Microinsurance: two-days course on the basics and a simulation exercise of microinsurance in emerging and developing economies (in collaboration with the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation SDC): July 2 – 3, 2015 (in English)
- Social and Environmental Risks in Lending and Underwriting: one-day course on environmental and social risk management and related international standards, practices and tools: Thursday, 24 September, 2015 (in English)
- Socially Responsible Investments (SRI): two-days intensive course on theoretical foundations and practical overview on strategies, products, performance management, and investor profiles of SRI (in collaboration with CSSP AG): November 25-26, 2015 (in German)
- Hot Topics in Socially Responsible Investments (SRI): one-day intensive course on selected topics in SRI (in collaboration with WWF Switzerland): November 27, 2015 (in English)

The courses are designed for practitioners in banking (private banking, wealth- and portfolio management), asset managers as well as for investors of family offices, pension funds and foundations. All courses can be booked individually and credits can be transferred to the MAS/DAS in Finance program.



## Gäste

## Guests

### *Gast Lehrstuhl Chesney:*

- Prof. **Olivier Bahn**, Assistant Professor, GERAD & Management Sciences Dept., HEC Montréal, Canada, 15. – 18. December 2014

### *Gäste Lehrstuhl Hens:*

- Prof. **Igor Evstigneev** (Manchester University) was doing a one-week research visit from 11 – 18 December 2014
- Prof. **Ramo Gençay** (Simon Fraser University), 2 – 12 February 2015. He gave a course in “Market Microstructure”. Link: <http://www.vorlesungen.uzh.ch/FS15/suche/sm-50044365.modveranst.html>

### *Gast Lehrstuhl Kübler:*

- Prof. **Herakles Polemarchakis** (University of Warwick), four research stays of about five weeks in total between September and January 2015

### *Gast Lehrstuhl Ongena:*

- **Yiyi Bai**, PhD-Studentin an der Universität Tilburg (NL), 12. Januar – 30. April 2015.

## PERSONELLES

## PEOPLE

### Auszeichnungen

### Awards

#### *Grant of the Swiss National Supercomputing Centre*

9'000'000 Core Hours - equivalent to more than CHF 150'000 - at Europe's fastest computing center CSCS (Centro Svizzero di Calcolo Scientifico) in Lugano were received by Dr. **S. Scheidegger** (together with F. Kübler and J. Brumm) for the research project “High-Dimensional Dynamic Stochastic Economic Modeling using Adaptive Sparse Grids”.

#### *Semesterpreis Masterarbeit*

Die Master-Arbeit von **S. De Paolis** (Supervisor **K. Nyborg**) mit dem Titel „Measuring downside risk perception by investors by using measures based on the volatility smile“ wurde mit dem Semesterpreis FS14 ausgezeichnet.

#### *Dr. Kausch-Preis 2014*

Prof. em. **R. Volkart** hat für seine Beiträge zur Theorie und Praxis von Rechnungslegung und Corporate Finance den Dr. Kausch-Preis 2014 der Universität St. Gallen erhalten.

Link: <http://www.aca.unisg.ch/de/about/kauschrize/kauschrize2014>

Das IBF gratuliert allen Preisempfängern herzlich!



## Dissertationen

## Dissertations

**Felix Matthys** defended his PhD Thesis titled "Three Essays in Quantitative Finance", on Tuesday, September 9th 2014.

**Tatjana-Xenia Puhan** defended her PhD Thesis titled "Essays in Finance", on Friday, September 19th 2014.

**Nilufer Caliskan** defended her PhD Thesis titled "Essays in Asset Pricing Anomalies", on Tuesday, September 16th 2014.

**Suzanne Ziegler-Peter** defended her PhD Thesis titled "Bankinsolvenz und Einlegerschutz - Analyse und Beurteilung der Entwicklung in der Schweiz", on Thursday, September 18th 2014.

**Dominic Burkhardt** defended his PhD Thesis titled "Three Essays in Asset Pricing", on Friday, October 31st 2014.

## Forschungsaufenthalte im Ausland / Sabbatical

## Research stays abroad / Sabbatical

Prof. **C. Célérier** visited the Harvard Business School from 05 – 09 January, 2015.

Prof. **H. Hasseltoft** was on a research stay at the Swedish House of Finance from 15 – 18 January.

## Wahlen, Ernennungen, neue Funktionen

## Elections, new functions

The Swiss Finance Institute (SFI) has appointed Prof. **Jean-Charles Rochet** as the Head of Research as of February 2015.

## Neue Institutsmitglieder

## New Institute Members

PostDocs:

- Necula, Ciprian, Team Farkas, ab 01.10.2014

Admin:

- Kosch, Lilli, Team Curem, ab 01.11.2014
- Spale, Chantal, Team Farkas, ab 01.02.2015

Semesterassistierende:

- Strebel, Simone, Team Curem, ab 01.11.2014
- Zhang, Liyan, Team Lautenschlager, ab 01.01.2015
- Schläfli, Roland, Teaching Center, ab 15.01.2015

## Abgänge

## Persons leaving

Die folgenden Mitarbeiterinnen und Mitarbeiter haben das Institut verlassen:

- Fischer, Severin, Teaching Center, per 30.09.2014
- Trant, Yannick, Team Hens, per 30.09.2014





- Wang, Zexi, Team Nyborg, per 30.09.2014
- Burkhardt, Dominic, Team Hasseltoft, per 31.10.2014
- Matthys, Felix, Team Rochet, per 31.12.2014
- Steikert, Kristoph, Team Kübler, per 31.12.2014
- Gabaglio, Cosma, Team Birchler, per 31.12.2014
- Vu, Dinh Huy, Team Weiterbildung, per 31.12.2014
- Meile, Christina, Team Curem, per 31.12.2014
- Troja, Bruno, Team Chesney, per 31.12.2014
- Doronzo, Michele, Team Paoella, per 31.01.2015
- Su, Lujing, Team Ziegler, per 31.01.2015
- Rudigier, Silvia, Team Liechti, per 28.02.2015

Wir danken allen Abgängerinnen und Abgängern herzlich für Ihren Einsatz und wünschen Ihnen alles Gute für die Zukunft!

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### Stephanie Wilkens (15. Juli 1966 bis 10. Januar 2015)

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Traurig mussten wir Abschied nehmen von unserer langjährigen Mitarbeiterin Stephanie Wilkens. Wir verlieren mit ihr eine herzliche und äusserst hilfsbereite Mitarbeiterin, die sich unermüdlich und bis zuletzt erfolgreich für das Institut und den von ihr betreuten Lehrgang MSc in Quantitative Finance engagiert hat. Stephanie Wilkens wird uns sehr fehlen und wir werden sie in dankbarer Erinnerung behalten.

## PUBLIKATIONEN

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Journals

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### Journals

- Brune, A.; Hens, T.; Rieger, M.O.; Wang, M.:** „*The war puzzle: contradictory effects of international conflicts on stock markets*“, International Review of Economics, accepted for publication (2014)
- Chesney, M.; Bahn, O.; Gheysens, J.; Knutti, R.; Pana, A.:** „*Is there room for Geoengineering in the Optimal Climate Policy Mix?*“, Journal of Environmental Science and Policy, April 2015, Vol. 48, pp. 67 - 76
- Fehr, H.; Epper, T.:** Comment on „*Risk Preferences Are Not Time Preferences*“ - *Balancing on a Budget Line*“, forthcoming in American Economic Review, 2015
- Fehr, H.:** „*Beware of black swans: Taking stock of the description-experience gap in decision under uncertainty*“ (with 12 Co-authors), Marketing Letters 25, pp. 269 - 280
- Habib, M.; Rochet, J.-C.; Collard, F.:** „*Sovereign Debt Sustainability in Advanced Economies*“, Journal of the European Economic Association, forthcoming
- Hammerschmid, R.; Lohre, H., Duš, I.:** „*Regimebasierte Asset Allocation im institutionellen Portfolio*“, Absolut|report, Nr. 6/2014, S. 28-35  
Link: <http://www.absolut-report.de/fachzeitschrift-finanzen/>
- Hens, T.; Breuer W.; Salzman, A.; Wang, M.:** On the Determinants of Household Debt Maturity Choice“, Applied Economics, Vol. 47(5), pp. 449-465 (2015)

- Link: <http://www.tandfonline.com/doi/abs/10.1080/00036846.2014.972547#.VK6XsSuG98E>
- Koch-Medina, P.; Moreno-Bromberg, S.; Munari, C.:** *“Capital adequacy tests and limited liability of financial institutions”*, Journal of Banking and Finance, Volume 51, February 2015, Pages 93–102. Link: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0378426614003471>
- Ongena, S.:** *“The economic impact of merger control legislation”* (with E. Carletti, Ph. Hartmann), International Review of Law and Economics, forthcoming
- Ongena, S.:** *“The perennial challenge to counter Too-Big-To-Fail in banking: Empirical evidence from the new international regulation dealing with Global Systemically Important Banks”*, (with S. Moenninghoff and A. Wieandt), Journal of Banking and Finance, forthc.
- Östberg, P.:** *“Stock Investments at Work”* (with Hans K. Hvide), Journal of Financial Economics, forthcoming

**Bücher/Buchbeiträge**
**Books/Articles in books**

- Chesney, M.:** *“Vom Grossen Krieg zur permanenten Krise”*, Versus Verlag, 2014.  
Link: [http://www.versus.ch/shop/d/scripts/detail.cfm?art\\_nr=314](http://www.versus.ch/shop/d/scripts/detail.cfm?art_nr=314)  
Rezension NZZ: [http://static.nzz.ch/files/4/6/3/BamS\\_20141207\\_1.18439463.pdf](http://static.nzz.ch/files/4/6/3/BamS_20141207_1.18439463.pdf)
- Chesney, M.:** *„Enjeux et conséquences de l’utilisation de l’anglais pour les études d’économie et de gestion à l’université”*, Buchkapitel, Slatkine Genf, 2014  
Link: <http://www.merlin.uzh.ch/publication/show/11677>
- Chesney, M.:** *“Emissions Markets and Products”* (mit L. Taschini und J. Gheysens), Kapitel im ‘Handbook of Multi-Commodity Markets and Products: Structuring, Trading and Risk Management’, Wiley & Sons, Februar 2015, pp. 223- 254.

**Paper Präsentationen**
**Paper Presentations**

- Battiston, S.:** *“Contagion in complex financial networks”*, Workshop Contagion Dynamics in Socio Economic Systems, Paris, 11.-12.09.2014
- Battiston, S.:** *“Interconnectedness in financial systems and in ecological systems”*, London School of Economics, Eco2 Symposium, 08.-09.09.2014
- Battiston, S.:** *“Financial networks and systemic risk”*, Banco de Mexico, 09.12.2014
- Battiston, S.:** *“Financial Networks: Empirical Studies of Debtrank”*, at:  
- University of Tinbergen, Seminar Complexity in Economics, 03.12.2014  
- Louvain la Nueve, Belgium, 05.12.2014  
- CEMLA Workshop on Network Analysis and Financial Stability, Mexico City, 10.-11.12.2014
- Battiston, S.:** *“Systemic risk in financial networks”*, 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Computational and Financial Econometrics (CFE2014), University of Pisa, 06.-08.12.2014
- Brumm, J.:** *“Recursive equilibria in dynamic economies with stochastic production”*, Paris School of Economics, Paris, 02.12.2014
- Brumm, J.:** *“Collateral Constraints, Idiosyncratic Risk, and Aggregate Fluctuations”*, Seminar für Makro-Ökonomik, Universität Konstanz, 26.01.2015
- Célérier, C.:** *“Are bankers worth their pay? Evidence from a Talent Measure”*, American Economic Association Meeting, Boston, 03.-05.01.2015.

- Link: [http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract\\_id=2393110](http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=2393110)
- Coculescu, D.:** *"An analysis of no arbitrage conditions under short sales constraints and imperfect information"*, Ecole Polytechnique, Paris, 10.11.2014
- Fehr, H.:** *"Balancing on a Budget Line: Comment on Andreoni and Sprenger's 'Risk Preferences Are Not Time Preferences'"*, ESA European Conference, University of Economics, Prague, 05.09.2014
- Fehr, H.:** *"The Missing Link: Unifying Risk Taking and Time Discounting"*, Department of Economics, University of Konstanz, 18 November 2014
- Gupta, M.:** *"Housing Price Shocks, Leverage, and Mobility"*, American Economic Association, Annual Meeting, Boston, 03.-05.01.2015
- Klimenko, N.:** *"Tail Risk, Capital Requirements and the internal Agency Problem in Banks"*, bei:  
 - 6<sup>th</sup> Financial Stability Conference, Tilburg, 28.-29.10.2014  
 - 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting of the German Finance Association & 13<sup>th</sup> Symposium on Finance, Banking and Insurance, Karlsruhe, 18.-20.12.2014  
 - Regulating Systemic Risk: Insights from Mathematical Modeling, Workshop at the Isaac Newton Institute of Mathematical Sciences, Cambridge, 15.12.2014
- Koch-Medina, P.:** *"Value-at-Risk vs Expected Shortfall: A Financial Perspective"*, Annual Conference of the Swiss Actuarial Society, Davos, 05.-06.09.2014
- Koch-Medina, P.:** *"Risk measures with respect to multiple eligible assets"*, Conference 'Set Valued Optimization Meets Finance', Brunico, 08.-12.09.2014
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- Birchler, U.:** *„10 hoch 10 Franken Sackgeld“*, Vortrag Kinderuni UZH, 29.10.2014.  
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- Brumm, J.:** *„Global Solution Methods“*, Kurs an der Banco de la Republica de Colombia (BANREP), Bogota, 11. -15.11.2014 und März 2015
- Brune, A.:** Teaching Master's course *„Applied Microeconomic Analysis“*, ISM University of Management and Economics, Lithuania, 4 – 22 January 2015
- Célérier, C.:** *„The Motives for Financial Complexity: An Empirical Investigation“*, School of Economics in Warwick, 01.12.2014
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- Chesney, M.:** *„1914 – 2014: Krisen im Vergleich“*, UZH, 18. Dezember 2014
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### Konferenzen/Workshops

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#### *SFI Corporate Finance Workshop*

On October 30, 2014 the SFI Corporate Finance Workshop took place at the University of Zurich (UZH). It was organized by two PhD students from the Swiss Finance Institute (SFI) and the Department for Banking and Finance (DBF) at UZH, **N. Vasiljevic** and **C. Rösler**, under the supervision of Prof. **K. Nyborg**.

The main goal of the workshop was to give PhD students an opportunity to present and discuss their theoretical and empirical work in Corporate Finance with fellow students and senior researchers. Allowing for participation of PhD students from universities outside of the SFI network increased the competition and the diversity, and helped students establish connections with their colleagues from other academic centers.

Eight papers were selected for presentation at the Workshop. Presenting students came from eight different universities and five different countries in Europe.

SFI Corporate Finance Workshop was successful, and organizers received a lot of positive feedback. Participants enjoyed lively and interesting discussions during the workshop, and expressed their appreciation to the professors and the fellow students for the feedback they received regarding their research.

#### *Conference activities of DBF professors:*

##### **Stefano Battiston**

At the European Conference on Complex Systems (ECCS'14), Lucca, 22.-26.09.2014, Prof. S. Battiston had a program chair and was co-organizer of the satellite event devoted to Complexity and Policy Modelling, including a panel with policy makers.

##### **Walter Farkas**

More than 600 guests attended the event "Risiken auf dem Finanzplatz Schweiz" with Oswald Grübel (former CEO of UBS and of Credit-Suisse) and Daniel Zuberbühler (former vice president of the board of directors of FINMA).

The panel discussion was moderated by Prof. em. Martin Janssen.

The event took place in the biggest lecture hall at the University of Zurich and was organized by Prof. Walter Farkas and Sandro Schmid on behalf of the Swiss Risk Association.



Links: [http://edit.sfi.ch/swissfinanceinstitute.ch/aboutus\\_events\\_template.htm?event=249](http://edit.sfi.ch/swissfinanceinstitute.ch/aboutus_events_template.htm?event=249)  
 und <http://www.swiss-risk.org/page8.php>

**Henrik Hasseltoft** is member of the program committee of the Western Finance Association Annual Meeting in Seattle, taking place from 17. – 20. June 2015.

**Thorsten Hens** was a referee at the Annual Conference of the Swiss Society for Financial Markets (17<sup>th</sup> SGF Conference), Zurich, SIX Swiss Exchange ConventionPoint, 11.04.2014. Furthermore, he had the chair of the session "Behavioural Finance Theory at the European Finance Association's 41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting, Lugano, Switzerland, 27.-30.08.2014.

**Kjell Nyborg** has been elected as program chair for EFA annual meetings, Oslo, 2016.

**Steven Ongena:**

- Member of Scientific Committee and Chairman der Session IV "Systemic Risk" an der International Conference C.R.E.D.I.T. 2014: The New Financial Regulatory System: Challenges and Consequences for the Financial Sector, Venice, 25./26.09.2014
- Chair Session 6 und Mitglied des Organisationskomitees am 13th Macroeconomic Policy Research Workshop on the Changing Role of the Central Banks Post-Crisis, Ungarische Zentralbank, Budapest, 16./17.10.2014
- Member of Scientific Advisory Board und Chair of Session 1B "Financial Markets" am CAREFIN Centre for Applied Research in Finance, Bocconi Universität, Mailand, 24.10.2014
- Member of Scientific Committee, Keynote speech and Chair Session A an der Second Conference in Finance, Sousse, 12./13.12.2014
- Chair der Session "Governance, Compensation and Bank Risk-Taking", American Economic Association, 2015 Annual Meeting, Boston, 04.01.2015

**Jean-Charles Rochet** held the Keynote lecture at the ASSET 2014 (Annual Meeting of the Association of Southern European Economic Theorists, Aix en Provence, 6.-8.11.2014.