

Ethics and Sustainability in Banking and Finance

*6th Transatlantic Conference on
The Ethics of Business, Trade, & Global Governance*

Conference programme

Location: Parliament Hall, St Andrews

Thursday 23rd November 2023

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| 11.30-12.20 | Registrations and Welcome lunch | |
| 12.20-12:30 | Welcome – Maria Chiara Iannino | |
| 12.30-13.20 | <i>Keynote speaker</i>
Barbara Casu (Bayes Business School) | <i>Exploring Misconduct, Fraud, and the Governance of Banks</i> |
| 13:30-15:00 | <i>Session 1 – Chair: Sapnoti Eswar</i>
Thomas Gehrig (University of Vienna)

Leonidas Barbopoulos (University of Edinburgh)
Jaber Al Islam (University of Edinburgh) | <i>How did banks' ESG conduct affect financial performance and lending during COVID-19?
(with Ö. Dursun and A. Schandlbauer)</i>

<i>The Real Effects of Dark Trading (with T. Putnins, K. Rzayev)</i>
<i>Does banks' environmental engagement impact funding costs? (with F. Moreira, M. Douch)</i> |
| 15:00-15:15 | Coffee break | |
| 15:15-16:45 | <i>Session 2 – Chair - Joao Rafael Cunha</i>
Edward David (University of Oxford)
Violet Victoria (St Anselm College) and
Nikko Osaka (Uni. of North Carolina at Charlotte)
Annabel Beerel (Center for Ethics in Society) | <i>Moral role models in UK finance</i>
<i>A Bootstrapping Problem for Web3 Adoption</i>

<i>Where has all the courage gone? Can we revert to valuing virtue rather than corruption?</i> |
| 18:00-21:00 | Conference Dinner (The Bothy, St Andrews) | |

Friday 24th November 2023

09:30-10:00	Welcome coffee	
10:00-10:50	Keynote speaker Afshin Mehrpouya (University of Edinburgh)	<i>Material matters in ESG (Environment, Social and Governance) Measurement</i>
11:00-12:30	Session 3 – Chair: <i>Raffaella Calabrese</i> Raffaella Calabrese (University of Edinburgh) Nicholas Wilson (Leeds University Business School) Beiyun Xiao (University of Edinburgh)	<i>A climate scenario analysis for the European SME lending market based on the NGFS projections</i> <i>The Unintended Consequences of Expanding the Lender Pool on Covid-19 Loan Guarantee Schemes (with M. Kacer, M. Cowling)</i> <i>Does Gender Influence the Investment Strategy of Private Equity Firms? Evidence from Impact Investing (with T. Cojoianu, P. Helbing, A. Hoepner, X. Hu)</i>
12:30-13:30	Lunch break	
13:30-15:00	Session 4 – Chair: <i>Thomas Gehrig</i> Atreya Dey (University of Edinburgh) Kevin Pirazzi (Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore) Florian Stöckler (Universität Graz)	<i>Volatile Temperatures and their Effects on Equity Returns and Firm Performance (with L. Bortolan, L. Taschini)</i> <i>Unsustainable soil loss, firm performance, and financing structure: An empirical investigation of Italian firms (with E. Beccalli)</i> <i>Institutional investors and the incentive to greenwash in social media communications (with A. Schertler)</i>
15:00-15:15	Coffee break	
15:15-16:45	Session 5 – <i>Dimitris Chronopoulos</i> John B Holland (University of Glasgow) Fiona Rasanga (University of Edinburgh) Shiqi Fang (University of Edinburgh)	<i>How can large international financial firms ‘go green’ and ‘walk the talk’</i> <i>Understanding Vulnerability to the Poverty Premium: An Analysis of Factors Influencing Use of High-Cost Credit Among Low-Income Individuals (with T. Harrison, R. Calabrese)</i> <i>Algorithmic Unfairness in SME Access to Finance (with R. Calabrese, Z. Chen, J. Ansell)</i>
16:45-17:00	Concluding remarks	

More details and the registration form can be found at the following link: <https://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/economics-finance/news/title-188162-en.php>.