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Academic Experience

London School of Economics, London

Professor of Finance, 2021-today Associate Professor of Finance, 2015-2021

Center for Economic Policy Research, London

Research Fellow, 2016-today

European Corporate Governance Institute, Brussels

Research Member, 2023-today

National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge

Faculty Research Fellow, 2005-2016

Stanford Graduate School of Business, Stanford

Associate Professor of Finance, 2011-2015 Assistant Professor of Finance, 2007-2011 Coulter Family Faculty Scholar, 2012-2013 Fletcher Jones Faculty Scholar, 2010-2011 Spence Faculty Scholar, 2009-2010

MIT Sloan School of Management, Cambridge

Visiting Associate Professor of Finance, 2013-2014 Assistant Professor of Finance, 2002-2007 Ford International Career Development Professor, 2006-2007 Robert C. Merton Career Development Professor, 2005-2006

Education

Harvard University

Ph.D. in Business Economics, 1997-2002 Thesis: Essays on the Interaction of Firms and Equity Markets

University of Cambridge, Trinity College

M.Phil. in Economics, 1996-1997 Visiting Student Part II Economics, 1995-1996

University of Frankfurt

Pre-Diploma (Vordiplom) in Economics, 1993-1995

Research Fields

Corporate Governance, Corporate Finance, Organizational Economics

Publications

"Executive Compensation: Evidence From the Field"

with Alex Edmans and Tom Gosling

Journal of Financial Economics, Vol. 150 No. 3, December 2023. Editor's Choice Article.

Best Corporate Finance Paper Award at the 2022 SFS Cavalcade North America

"Performance-induced CEO Turnover"

with Katharina Lewellen

The Review of Financial Studies, Vol. 34 No. 2, 569–617, February 2021

Lead article and editor's choice

"Executive Compensation: A Survey of Theory and Evidence"

with Alex Edmans and Xavier Gabaix

In: Hermalin, B.E., Weisbach, M.S. (Eds.), Handbook of the Economics of Corporate Governance. Elsevier, Amsterdam, 2017

Governance: Lisevier, I unsterdam, 2017

"CEO Preferences and Acquisitions"

with Katharina Lewellen

Journal of Finance, Vol. 70 No. 6, 2813-2851, December 2015

An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 17663

"CEO Turnover and Relative Performance Evaluation"

with Fadi Kanaan

Journal of Finance, Vol. 70 No. 5, 2155-2183, October 2015

Best Corporate Finance Paper Award at the 2006 Western Finance Association Meeting An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 12068

"Security Issue Timing: What Do Managers Know, and When Do They Know It?"

with Katharina Lewellen and Jerold B. Warner

Journal of Finance, Vol. 66 No. 2, 413-443, April 2011

An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 12724

"Institutional Cross-holdings and Their Effect on Acquisition Decisions"

with Jarrad Harford and Kai Li

Journal of Financial Economics, Vol. 99 No. 1, 27-39, January 2011

An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 13274

"CEO Compensation"

with Carola Frydman

Annual Review of Financial Economics, Vol. 2, 75-102, December 2010

"Employee Sentiment and Stock Option Compensation"

with Nittai Bergman

Journal of Financial Economics, Vol. 84 No. 3, 667-712, June 2007

An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 11409

"Market Timing and Managerial Portfolio Decisions"

Journal of Finance, Vol. 60 No. 4, 1903-1949, August 2005

Nominated for the Brattle Prize for the Best Corporate Finance Paper in the Journal of Finance

"Selling Company Shares to Reluctant Employees: France Télécom's Experience"

with Francois Degeorge, Alberto Moel and Peter Tufano

Journal of Financial Economics, Vol. 71 No. 1, 169-202, January 2004 An earlier version of this paper was distributed as NBER Working Paper No. 7683

Completed Working Papers

"Sustainable Investing: Evidence from the Field" (2024), with Alex Edmans and Tom Gosling PRI Outstanding Research Award 2024

ICPM 2024 Research Award (Runner-up)

Working Paper Award (Runner-up) from the HKU Jockey Club Enterprise Sustainability Global Research Institute

"The Market for CEOs" (2024), with Peter Cziraki

"Does Board Size Matter?" (2024), with Thomas Schmid and Daniel Urban

"Shareholder Liability and Bank Failure" (2024), with Felipe Aldunate, Arthur Korteweg, and Peter Koudijs

"Good and Bad CEOs" (2024), with Egor Matveyev and Lukas Roth

"Executive Compensation, Incentives, and Risk" (2002)

Work in Progress

"Tax Distortions in Corporate Ownership", with Rüdiger Fahlenbrach and Eric Nowak

"The Effects of Labor Co-determination: Evidence from a Natural Experiment", with Jens Martin and Eric Nowak

"Long-term CEO Incentives", with Katharina Lewellen

Teaching Experience

Corporate Finance, MSc Finance Course, LSE, 2015-today

Managerial Finance, Online Executive Education Course, LSE, 2018-today

Finance for Executives, Executive Education, LSE, 2017-today

Empirics of Management, Training for Academics, LSE, 2015-18

ITAM Study Visit, Executive Education, LSE, 2018

Finance and the Global Economy, Executive Education, LSE, 2016-2017

Managerial Finance - Base, MBA Course, Stanford GSB, 2014-2015

Finance and Accounting for the Nonfinancial Executive, Executive Education, Stanford GSB, 2014-2015

Financial Management, Sloan Fellows Course, MIT Sloan, 2013-2014

Managerial Finance - Advanced, MBA Course, Stanford GSB, 2009-2013

Managerial Finance - Accelerated, MBA Course, Stanford GSB, 2009-2011

Managerial Finance, MBA Course, Stanford GSB, 2007-2009

Finance for the Technical Executive, Executive Education, MIT Sloan, 2004-2011

Finance Theory II (Corporate Finance), MBA Course, MIT Sloan, 2002-2007

Corporate Finance, TA for Prof. Jeremy C. Stein, Ph.D. Course, Harvard, 2000-2001

Capital Markets, TA for Prof. John Y. Campbell, Undergraduate Course, Harvard, 2000-2001

Asset Pricing, TA for Prof. John Y. Campbell, Ph.D. Course, Harvard, 1999-2000

Keynotes, Awards, Invited Lectures, and Scholarships

Keynote speaker, 3rd Contemporary Issues in Financial Markets and Banking Conference, 2025 Working Paper Award (Runner-up) from the HKU Jockey Club Enterprise Sustainability Global Research Institute, 2025

PRI Outstanding Research Award, 2024

International Center for Pension Management (ICPM) Research Award (Runner-up), 2024

Speaker, Future: Reward Europe Conference by The Conference Board, 2024

Public Lecture, The Institute for Corporate Governance at Indiana University, 2023

Keynote speaker, 6th Erasmus Corporate Governance Conference, 2023

Best Paper in Corporate Finance Award at the SFS Cavalcade North America, 2022

Keynote speaker, Vlerick Executive Rewards Conference, 2020

Keynote speaker, EFMA Annual Meeting, Dublin, 2020 (cancelled due to Covid)

LSE Excellence in Education Award, 2020

Best Discussant Award, LBS Summer Finance Symposium, 2017

LSE Teaching Excellence Award - Highly Commended for Inspirational Teaching, 2017

Excellence in Teaching Award, MIT Sloan School of Management, 2014

Best Discussant Award, 10th Annual Meeting of the Financial Research Association, 2013 Stanford GSB Distinguished Teaching Award, 2012

Best Discussant Award, Rothschild Caesarea Center Annual Academic Conference, 2010

Excellence in Teaching Award, MIT Sloan School of Management, 2007

Best Corporate Finance Paper Award, Western Finance Association Meeting, 2006

Nominated for Brattle Prize for Best Corporate Finance Paper in the Journal of Finance, 2005

Teacher of the Year, MIT Sloan School of Management, 2005

Outstanding Doctoral Student Paper Award, Southern Finance Association Meeting, 2001

Harvard Business School Fellowship, 1997-2001

Senior Scholar and Research Scholar of Trinity College, Cambridge, 1996-1997

Scholar of the European Trust, Cambridge, 1996-1997

Scholarship from the British Council, 1995-1996

Scholarship from the German Academic Exchange Service, 1995-1996

Member of the German National Scholarship Association, 1994-1997

Professional Service

Associate Editor, Journal of Finance, 2016-today

Associate Editor, Review of Financial Studies, 2015-18

Member of the Executive Committee, European Finance Association, 2016-2018

Member of the Nominating Committee, American Finance Association, 2017-2018

MSc Finance Program Evaluation, Stockholm School of Economics, 2023-24

Co-organizer, NBER Corporate Finance Program Meeting 2025

Session Organizer, American Finance Association Meetings 2008, 2010, 2013, 2018, 2020, 2025

Associate Program Chair, Western Finance Association Meeting 2020-2023, 2025

Track Chair, European Finance Association Meeting 2018, 2024, 2025

Scientific Committee, Adam Smith Workshop in Corporate Finance 2020-2023, 2025

Program Committee, Bayes Mergers and Acquisitions Research Centre Conference 2016-2025

Program Committee, European Winter Finance Summit 2020, 2022-25

Program Committee, Financial Intermediation Research Society Conference 2014-2025

Program Committee, Utah Winter Finance Conference 2023-25

Program Committee, European Finance Association Doctoral Tutorial 2019-22, 2024-2025

Co-organizer, NBER Doctoral Training Workshop on Executive Compensation, 2024

Co-chair, Adam Smith Workshop in Corporate Finance 2024

Session Chair, Financial Intermediation Research Society Conference 2024

Program Committee, Western Finance Association Meetings 2006-2019, 2024

Program Committee, Society for Financial Studies Finance Cavalcade 2011, 2016-2024

Co-organizer, NBER Conference on "Compensation of Top Executives", 2023

Program Committee, European Finance Association Meetings 2011-2017, 2019-23

Panelist, SUERF/CNMV Conference on Governance, Executive Compensation and ESG, 2020

Program Committee, Texas A&M Young Scholars Finance Consortium 2020

Focus Session Organizer, CEPR Gerzensee ESSFM, July 2018

Program Committee, CEPR Annual Spring Symposium in Financial Economics, 2018

Program Committee, Financial Management Association Meetings 2006, 2010-13, 2016

Program Committee, Napa Conference on Financial Market Research 2012-2016

Selection Committee, FMA Annual Meeting Paper Award in Corporate Finance 2016

Program Committee, Midwest Finance Association Meeting 2016

Program Committee, 4th Paris Spring Corporate Finance Conference 2012

Associate Program Chair, Western Finance Association Meeting 2010

Selection Committee, FMA Annual Meeting Paper Award in Corporate Governance 2010

Program Committee, Cardiff Business School Conference on Managerial Compensation 2010

Co-organizer, NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute 2006

Referee for American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Economic Theory, Economic Journal, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, Journal of Finance, Journal of Financial Economics, Review of Financial Studies, Review of Finance, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Critical Finance Review, Review of Asset Pricing Studies, Review of Corporate Finance Studies, Journal of Corporate Finance, International Review of Finance, Management Science

School Service (LSE)

Director of Executive Education and Custom Programs, 2022-today Program Director, Finance Executive Education, 2016-today Program Director, MSc Finance, 2017-2020

Invited Discussions

Global Corporate Governance Colloquium, 2025

NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute, 2024

NTU Finance Conference, 2023

LBS Summer Symposium, 2023

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2023

FTG "Bridging Theory and Empirical Research in Finance" Conference, 2022

Sixth Annual Mergers and Acquisitions Research Centre Conference, 2022

LBS Summer Symposium, 2022

FIRS Annual Conference, 2021

SFS Cavalcade North America, 2021

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2020

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2019

Adam Smith Workshop in Corporate Finance, 2019

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2019

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2018

SHoF-MFS Conference on Sustainable Finance, 2018

NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute, 2018

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2018

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2017

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2017

LBS Summer Finance Symposium, 2017 (Best Discussant Award)

Adam Smith Workshop in Corporate Finance, 2017

American Economic Association Annual Meeting, 2017

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2017

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2016

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2016

City University of Hong Kong International Finance Conference, 2016

Oxford Law and Finance Conference, 2016

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2016 (x2)

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2015

Red Rock Finance Conference, 2014

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2014

Financial Research Association Annual Meeting, 2013 (Best Discussant Award)

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2013

Annual Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, 2012

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2012

Minnesota Corporate Finance Conference, 2012

NBER Corporate Finance Program Spring Meeting, 2012

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2012 (x2)

NBER Corporate Finance Program Spring Meeting, 2011

FIRS Annual Conference, 2010

Rothschild Caesarea Centre Annual Academic Conference, 2010 (Best Discussant Award)

UBC Winter Finance Conference, 2010

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2010 (x3)

NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute, 2009

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2009

NBER Behavioral Finance Working Group Spring Meeting, 2009

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2009

Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2008

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2008

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2007

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2006

NBER Corporate Finance Program Spring Meeting, 2005

NBER Entrepreneurship Group Spring Meeting, 2005

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2005 (x2) Western Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2004

German Finance Association Annual Meeting, 2003

NBER Corporate Finance Program Spring Meeting, 2003

NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute, 2002

Invited Seminar and Conference Presentations

"Sustainable Investing: Evidence From the Field":

European Finance Association Meeting 2025*

Global Corporate Governance Colloquium 2025*

Adam Smith Workshop 2025

NBER Corporate Finance Program Meeting, November 2024

PRI Academic Network Conference, October 2024*

Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam, September 2024

University of Essex, May 2024

EDHEC, March 2024

"Executive Compensation: Evidence From the Field":

NTU Finance Conference, July 2023

Indonesian Financial Management Association Seminar Series, March 2023

Humboldt University, October 2022

Western Finance Association Meeting, June 2022*

FIRS Annual Conference, June 2022*

SFS Cavalcade North America, May 2022*

University of Houston, March 2022

University of Strathclyde, February 2022

Joint Finance Seminar (Universities of Bonn, Dortmund, Wuppertal and WHU), January 2022

34th Australasian Finance and Banking Conference, December 2021*

Bilkent University, December 2021

IÉSEG School of Management, October 2021

George Mason University, October 2021

University of Amsterdam, October 2021

Northern Finance Association Annual Meeting, September 2021*

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, August 2021*

China International Conference in Finance, July 2021*

European Financial Management Association Meeting, July 2021*

Erasmus University Rotterdam, May 2021

NHH - Norwegian School of Economics, May 2021

The Chinese University of Hong Kong – Shenzhen, March 2021

ESSEC, March 2021

Florida State University Suntrust Beach Virtual Conference, March 2021*

BI Conference on Corporate Governance, May 2020*

"The Market for CEOs":

Coventry University, February 2023

Global Corporate Governance Colloquium (Oxford), June 2022

Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, May 2021*

SFS Cavalcade North America, May 2021*

University of Delaware, February 2021

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2021*

Empirical Management Conference, Cornell, December 2020

Northern Finance Association Annual Meeting, September 2020*

European Finance Association Annual Meeting, August 2020*

NBER Corporate Finance Summer Institute, July 2020*

Joint Finance Seminar (Universities of Bonn, Dortmund, Wuppertal and WHU), June 2020

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, June 2020

Finance In The Cloud IV Conference, May 2020*

University of Bristol, February 2020

"Shareholder Liability and Bank Failure":

China International Conference in Finance, July 2021*

ESCP Paris, June 2021

Yeshiva University, May 2021

Florida International University, February 2021

Review of Corporate Finance Studies Winter Conference, February 2021

King's College London, January 2021

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2021*

Queen's University Belfast, December 2020

Stockholm School of Economics, November 2020

University of Miami, October 2020

Temple University, October 2020 SFS Cavalcade North America, May 2020 University of Exeter, January 2020

"Does Board Size Matter?":

FIRS Annual Conference, June 2020*

University of Geneva, October 2019

New Economic School, September 2019

Bocconi University, May 2019

Vienna Graduate School of Finance, May 2019

Singapore Management University, April 2019

National University of Singapore, April 2019

University of Manchester, March 2019

King's College London, February 2019

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2019*

Nova School of Business and Economics, October 2018

Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, October 2018

IE Business School, October 2018

Society for Financial Studies Finance Cavalcade, May 2018*

Cass Business School, May 2018

University of Edinburgh, May 2018

CEPR Third Annual Spring Symposium in Financial Economics, April 2018

"Good and Bad CEOs":

Empirical Management Conference, Harvard Business School, December 2018

Frankfurt School of Finance & Management, March 2018

University of Surrey, February 2018

University of Birmingham, February 2018

Lancaster University, October 2017

Aalto University & Hanken School of Economics, October 2017

BI Conference on Corporate Governance, Oslo, June 2017

University of Bonn, May 2017

Imperial College, May 2017

Cheung Kong Graduate School of Business, March 2017

European Winter Finance Summit, March 2017

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2017*

University of Swansea, October 2016

Pompeu Fabra University, September 2016

INSEAD, September 2016

CEPR Gerzensee European Summer Symposium in Financial Markets, July 2016

University of Warwick, June 2016

London Business School Summer Finance Symposium, June 2016*

City University of Hong Kong International Finance Conference, June 2016

FIRS Annual Conference, June 2016

HEC Paris, May 2016

University of Frankfurt, May 2016

University of Mannheim, May 2016

École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne, February 2016

Maastricht University, October 2015

Tilburg University, October 2015

"Performance-induced CEO Turnover":

BI Conference on Corporate Governance, Oslo, May 2015

Dartmouth College, Tuck School of Business, November 2014

London Business School, October 2014

UCSD, Rady School of Management, November 2011

Jackson Hole Finance Conference, January 2011

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2011

University of Zurich, December 2010

University of Amsterdam, December 2010

NBER Personnel Economics Summer Institute*, July 2010

University of Munich, July 2010

FIRS Annual Conference, June 2010

University of Rotterdam, May 2010

University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School, April 2010

Yale University, School of Management, March 2010

"CEO Preferences and Acquisitions":

University of Amsterdam, December 2014

Columbia University, Columbia Business School, December 2014

University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business, November 2014

University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School, November 2014

University of Wisconsin, Wisconsin School of Business, October 2014

Oxford University, Saïd Business School, October 2014

Boston College, Carroll School of Management, October 2014

University of Oklahoma, Price College of Business, April 2014

Rice University, Jones Graduate School of Business, April 2014

Brandeis University, Brandeis International Business School, March 2014

University of Geneva, December 2013

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, College of Business, November 2013

Duke University, Fuqua School of Business, April 2013

Arizona State University, W. P. Carey School of Business, November 2012

University of Alberta, School of Business, October 2012

Stockholm School of Economics, August 2012

University of Washington Summer Finance Conference, August 2012

University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, May 2012

Michigan State University, Eli Broad College of Business, April 2012

Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, March 2012

London School of Economics, March 2012

Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, September 2011

Singapore Management University, September 2011

National University of Singapore, September 2011

Nanyang Technological University, September 2011

Society for Financial Studies Finance Cavalcade, May 2011

University of Michigan, Ross School of Business, April 2011

Duke-UNC Corporate Finance Conference, March 2011

Econometric Society North American Winter Meeting, January 2011

"Security Issue Timing: What Do Managers Know, and When Do They Know It?":

University of Georgia, Terry College of Business, April 2009

Brigham Young University, Marriott School of Management, May 2008

University of Southern California, Marshall School of Business, May 2008

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2008

Boston University, School of Management, May 2007

Stanford University, Graduate School of Business, February 2007

London Business School, January 2007

UCLA, Anderson School of Management, December 2006 New York University, Stern School of Business, November 2006 Columbia University, Columbia Business School, November 2006 University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business, November 2006

"Conflicts of Interests Among Shareholders: The Case of Corporate Acquisitions":

University of Warwick, March 2008

Erasmus University Rotterdam, March 2008

Tilburg University, March 2008

Rutgers University, Rutgers Business School, December 2006

Boston College, Carroll School of Management, October 2006

University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business, October 2006

Bentley College, McCallum Graduate School of Business, September 2006

"CEO Turnover and Relative Performance Evaluation":

University of British Columbia, Sauder School of Business, October 2006

NBER Corporate Governance Summer Institute, July 2006

Western Finance Association Meeting, Keystone, June 2006

Caesarea Center 3rd Annual Conference, Herzliya, May 2006

University of Washington Corporate Finance Conference, May 2006

UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business, March 2006

Stanford University, Graduate School of Business, March 2006

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, College of Business, November 2005

Dartmouth College, Tuck School of Business, November 2005

"Employee Sentiment and Stock Option Compensation":

Northwestern University, Kellogg Graduate School of Management, May 2005

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Kenan-Flagler Business School, May 2005

Cornell University, Johnson School, April 2005

Sixth Maryland Finance Symposium, University of Maryland, April 2005

Harvard University, Harvard Business School, March 2005

INSEAD, November 2004

HEC Paris, November 2004

NBER Behavioral Finance Program Meeting, October 2004

Financial Management Association Meeting, October 2004

University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management, September 2004

Harvard University, Law, Economics, and Organizations Workshop, February 2004

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2004

German Finance Association Meeting, October 2003

Frank Batten Conference, William & Mary Mason School of Business, June 2003

"Market Timing and Managerial Portfolio Decisions":

University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business, May 2003

American Finance Association Annual Meeting, January 2003

London Business School, October 2002

Humboldt University, Berlin, October 2002

European Finance Association Meeting, August 2002

Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei, Milan, July 2002

Western Finance Association Meeting, June 2002

Stanford University, Graduate School of Business, February 2002

New York University, Stern School of Business, February 2002

Emory University, Goizueta Business School, February 2002

Duke University, Fuqua School of Business, February 2002

Harvard University, Harvard Business School, January 2002 Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, January 2002 MIT, Sloan School of Management, January 2002 University of Michigan, School of Business, January 2002

"Executive Compensation, Incentives, and Risk":
Southern Finance Association Meeting, 2001
Financial Management Association Meeting, 2001
German Finance Association Meeting, 2001
European Meeting of the Econometric Society, 2001
European Financial Management Association Meeting, 2001

Personal Information

German citizen, born in Frankfurt, Germany, January 1973

^{*} denotes presentations by co-authors