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CURRENT POSITION

University of Bergen
Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Economics

Bergen, Norway
2019 – Present

PAST EXPERIENCE

Saïd Business School, University of Oxford
Barclays Fellow in Entrepreneurial Finance
Supervisor: Thomas Hellmann

Oxford, United Kingdom
2017–19

EDUCATION

Ghent University
Ph.D. in Applied Economics

Ghent, Belgium
2012–17

Dissertation: The Sources and Consequences of Collaboration in Private Equity Investments
Visiting Scholar (2015–16), Schulich School of Business, York University, Toronto, Canada

Vlerick Business School
M.S., *Magna Cum Laude*, Finance

Ghent, Belgium
2011–12

Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University
B.Tech., *First Class with Distinction*, Computer Science

Hyderabad, India
2003–07

RESEARCH INTERESTS

FinTech, Corporate Finance, Entrepreneurial Finance, Behavioral Finance, and Empirical Industrial Organization

PUBLICATIONS

[Uncovering Retail Trading in Bitcoin: The Impact of COVID-19 Stimulus Checks](#)

with Peter Zimmerman (Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland)
forthcoming at *Management Science*

[The Lightning Network: Turning Bitcoin into Money](#)

with Peter Zimmerman (Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland)
forthcoming at *Finance Research Letters*

[Lending when Relationships are Scarce: The Role of Information Spread via Bank Networks](#)

with Yan Alperovych (EM Lyon), and Sophie Manigart (Vlerick)
Journal of Corporate Finance (2022): 102181.

WORKING PAPERS

[FinTech Lending under Austerity](#)

with François Le Grand (EM Lyon) and Yan Alperovych (EM Lyon)

[How does Mandatory Disclosure affect Firm Growth? Evidence from Firms that Lose their JOBS Exemptions](#)

with Howard Jones (Oxford)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

Input Technology and Airline Pricing
with Paula Navarro (Norwegian School of Economics)

Ex Ante Price Discovery during IPO Bookbuilding
with Howard Jones (Oxford) and Emmanuel Pezier (Oxford)

The Gender Confidence Gap in Corporate America: Evidence from Voice
with Alan Morrison (Oxford), Howard Jones (Oxford) and Laura Fritsch (Oxford)

How Do Investors Use Alternative Data? Evidence from Insider Trades around Corporate Jet Flights
with Howard Jones (Oxford) and Christian Rauch (American University Sharjah)

Skilled Talent Procurement over the Internet
with Hans Hvide (University of Bergen)

The JOBS Act and VC-backed IPOs: A Complex Structural Approach
with Veronica Czellar (SKEMA Business School) and Yan Alperovych (EM Lyon)

CASE STUDIES

The Alfacam Group: Impulsive growth and financial distress
with Sophie Manigart and Jonas Standaert (2015) *ECCH Case Study 115-067-1*

The Facebook IPO hype: A rude social awakening
with Wouter De Maeseneire (2012) *ECCH Case Study 112-052-1*

BOOK CHAPTERS

Collaboration decisions in private equity investments.
In: Mike Wright, Kevin Amess, Nick Bacon, and Donald Siegel (Ed.), *The Routledge Companion to Management Buyouts*, 2018.

HONORS & AWARDS

Saïd Business School, University of Oxford

Barclays Career Development Fellowship	2017–19
Faculty Research Grant	2018

Vlerick Business School, Ghent University

Academic Research Fund, Government of Belgium	2014–17
Belgian Science Policy Foundation	2012–14

Vlerick Business School, Ghent University

Vlerick AIESEC scholarship (full tuition fee waiver for master's program)	2011–12
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Bergen

ECON264: Financial Technology (2022 evaluation: 4.2 / 5)	2020–Present
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Saïd Business School, University of Oxford

Financial Analysis (undergraduate)	2018/19
Entrepreneurial Finance (MBA)	2018/19

Vlerick Business School

Financial Mathematics (graduate)	2013–15
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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Eurofit Mgmt. (JV of Michelin & Continental Tires) Intern, Project Finance	Zaventem, Belgium Spring 2012
Tata Consultancy Services Systems Engineer	Hyderabad, India 2011
Maersk Broker K/S (Shipping) IT Consultant	Copenhagen, Denmark 2008–10
Langtved Data A/S (Healthcare) IT Consultant	Odense, Denmark 2007–08

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Global Association of Risk Professionals FRM Level 1	
Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute CFA Level 2	
Vivekananda Institute of Foreign Languages Level 3, German	Hyderabad, India
Dansk Sprogskolen Level 3, Danish	Denmark 2007–09

PERSONAL

Citizenship: Indian

Languages

English, Hindi, Tamil, Telugu, German (intermediate), Danish (basic), French (basic)

Interests

Travel (100+ countries), photography, programming

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