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## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University

Department of Finance

*Associate Professor*

*Assistant Professor*

May 2025–Present  
Sept. 2019–April 2025

## DOCTORAL STUDIES

WHU – Otto Beisheim School of Management, *Ph.D. in Finance*

2014–2019

New York University Stern School of Business, *Visiting scholar*

2016

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corporate Finance, Climate Finance, Political Economics, M&As

## PUBLICATIONS

1. Do salient climatic risks affect shareholder voting? (with E. Fich) *Review of Finance*, 2025
2. How do tax increases affect investment allocation within multinationals? (with A. De Vito, M. Jacob, and D. Schindler) *Review of Finance*, 2025
3. News bias in financial journalists' social networks *Journal of Accounting Research*, 2024
4. Board reforms and M&A performance: International evidence (with F. Ahmad, N. Aktas and D. Cumming) *Journal of International Business Studies*, 2024
5. Assimilation effects in financial markets (with E. Fich), *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, 2023
6. The role of internal M&A teams in takeovers (with N. Aktas, A. Boone, A. Witkowski and B. Yurtoglu) *Review of Finance*, 2021
7. "She is mine:" Determinants and value effects of early announcements in takeovers (with N. Aktas and B. Yurtoglu) *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 2018

## WORKING PAPERS

8. Picking up the PACE: Loans for residential climate-proofing (with A. Bellon, C. LaPoint, and F. Mazzola)
9. Mega-donors and representation of the wealthy in the wake of Citizens United (with I. Babenko and V. Fedaseyev)
10. Involuntarily green? Corporate donations to politicians and their votes on environmental legislation (with E. Fich)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University:

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| Mergers and Acquisitions (Master Elective)  | Spring 2026– |
| International Capital Strategies (Bachelor) | Spring 2024– |
| Finance for Non-Financials (Bachelor Minor) | 2020–2024    |
| Corporate Finance (Master Core)             | 2020–2023    |

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee for Review of Financial Studies, Management Science, Journal of Accounting Research, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Corporate Finance, Review of Corporate Finance Studies, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Global Finance Journal, Emerging Markets Review, Emerging Markets Finance and Trade, European Accounting Review, British Accounting Review, British Journal of Management, Accounting and Business Research, Review of Managerial Science, Journal of Multinational Financial Management

Conference committee: European Finance Association meetings 2023, 2024, 2025 & 2026, Erasmus Corporate Governance Conference 2023 & 2025, Corporate Finance Day 2021

## PRESENTATIONS

*Including scheduled; \*: Presented by a coauthor*

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| 2026 | American Finance Association*, SKEMA Business School  |
| 2025 | European Finance Association*, SFS Cavalcade North America*, Financial Intermediation Research Society (FIRS)*, CEIBS Finance/Accounting Symposium, CEPR Summer Conference*, ASU-HKU Conference*, Northern Finance Association*, MIT Center for Real Estate Research*, University of Lille  |
| 2024 | American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association*, CEPR-ESSEC-Luxembourg Conference*, China International Conference in Finance, European Finance Association, Federal Reserve Mortgage Market Research Conference*, Federal Housing Finance Agency*, FINEST Spring Workshop, FINPRO 4*, NBER Summer Institute*, Paris December Finance Meeting, Peking University*, Pre-WFA Workshop*, ReCapNet Stockholm, UBC Summer Conference*, Urban Economics Association (Europe)*, Utah Public Finance* |
| 2023 | 79th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance*, ESSEC-Amundi ESG Seminar, Erasmus Corporate Governance Conference (discussant), University of Bath, WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management  |
| 2022 | American Finance Association, SFS Cavalcade North America, European Finance Association, China International Conference in Finance (discussant), Dutch Corporate Tax Workshop, Owners as Strategists, Paris December Finance Meeting, University of Washington Foster School*, UT Austin*   |
| 2021 | European Central Bank, SFS Cavalcade North America, Summer Research Conference at ISB, University of Padova, Corporate Finance Day (discussant), Paris December Finance Meeting   |

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| 2020        | Cambridge Judge Business School, Columbia Business School News and Finance Conference (postponed), European Economics Association, European Finance Association, Financial Intermediation Research Society Conference (cancelled due to Covid-19), Berlin-Vallendar Tax Conference*   |
| 2019        | American Finance Association*, CEIBS Finance / Accounting Symposium, Midwest Finance Association Annual Meeting (discussant), Aalto University, Drexel University, Erasmus Rotterdam School of Management, ESCP Europe, Fudan University, Paris-Dauphine University, Strathclyde University, University of Miami*   |
| Before 2018 | European Finance Association Doctoral Tutorial, Helsinki Finance Summit, FMA Doctoral Student Consortium, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, International Conference of the French Finance Association, Paris December Finance Meeting, Research in Behavioral Finance Conference, Spring Meeting of Young Economists, 6th Annual Corporate Finance Conference in Exeter University*, Corporate Finance Workshop in Durham University*, CKGSB*, Erasmus University, ESSEC, Frankfurt School of Finance & Management, Humboldt University, Louisiana State University*, Peking University*, City University of Hong Kong*, University of Lille II, University of Missouri*, UNLV*, NYU Stern, WHU |

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

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| E-Axes Forum Prize Honorable Mention  | 2025 |
| Dutch Research Council (NWO) SSH Open Competition XS Grant                        | 2025 |
| SFS Cavalcade North America, Best Paper Award in Corporate Finance                | 2021 |
| European Finance Association, Travel Grants                                       | 2018 |
| French Finance Association, Best Paper Award in the 34th International Conference | 2017 |

## NON-ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

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| Lazard, Mergers & Acquisitions Analyst | Paris, 2013 |
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