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Academic **ESCP Business School** Positions Sept.2023-Assistant Professor of Finance

Education Erasmus University Rotterdam

> 2018-2023 PhD in Finance

> > Supervisory Team: Dion Bongaerts and Wolf Wagner;

Boston College

PhD Research Visit - Faculty Sponsor: Fabio Schiantarelli; Fall 2022

Bocconi University

Spring 2022 PhD Research Visit - Faculty Sponsor: Elena Carletti;

Nova School of Business and Economics - LUISS

2015-2017 M.Sc., Finance, Double Degree, cum laude

LUISS Guido Carli University

B.Sc., Economics, with 1-year visiting Utrecht School of Economics 2012-2015

Research fields Financial Intermediation, Real Estate, Corporate Finance.

Job Market Paper **Electronic Foreclosures**

ECON JM Best Paper Runner-Up Award by UniCredit Foundation and EEA;

10th SUERF/UniCredit Foundation Prize;

Short Abstract: Exploiting the staggered introduction of electronic auction bidding by courts in Florida, I show that mortgage foreclosure sale success

increases, and price discounts shrink.

Selected conferences: ERIM*, EFA 2022, EEA 2022, HEC Workshop, ERES**. *Best Paper Award of the 2021-2022 PhD Seminars; **Best Paper Award for

the Refereed Session;

Working Papers Fire Sale Risk and Credit, Bongaerts, Mazzola and Wagner, 2020.

CEPR Discussion Paper No. DP15798

Short Abstract: Using individual application data, we find that lenders anticipate the future risk of a disorderly liquidation in their ex-ante credit supply decisions. These incentives make markets less exposed to fire sales going for-

ward.

Selected Conference: 2020 EEA, 3rd QMUL Econ-Finance Workshop, DNB, 2021 RiskLab/BoF/ESRB, Norges Bank-CEPR 2021, FIRS 2022, EFA 2022.

Coverage: World Bank - All About Finance Blog.

Publications

Non-standard Errors, Menkveld et al. (2021), Journal of Finance, forthcoming.

Short Abstract: In science, any evidence-generating process (EGP) adds uncertainty: non-Standard Errors (NSEs). NSEs turn out to be sizeable, on par with SEs. Adding peer-review stages reduces NSEs. We further find that this type of uncertainty is underestimated by participants.

Closed for Business, Bongaerts, Mazzola, Wagner (2021), *PLOS One*, 16(5), e0251373.

Short Abstract: Using a DiD research design across Italian municipalities, we find that mandated business closures reduce Covid-19 deaths, exhibit rapidly diminishing returns, differ across sectors, and create positive geographical spillovers.

Coverage: BlueSky, BizEd AACSB International, Growth Hub, Lavoce.info.

Work in Progress

Sharing SME Cash-Flows Data, Bahaj, De Marco, Foulis, Mazzola 2022.

Short Abstract: This paper shows that non-banks become more competitive lenders when they have access to information about a firm's cash flows. For identification, we exploit a government-led open banking initiative in the UK. [Draft coming soon]

Selected conferences: ERIM, Edinburgh Corporate Finance Conference, FINEST Spring 2023*.

*Best Paper Award in Memory of Radha Gopalan;

Conference Presentations (incl. upcoming)

2023

Edinburgh Corporate Finance Conference, Finest 2023 Spring Workshop, EFiC UPF, Manchester Business School, ESCP, Nova SBE, Utrecht University, University of Naples, Catolica University Lisbon, Ca' Foscari University Venice, LUISS University, ESSEC Business School.

Financial Intermediation Research Society (FIRS), European Financial Association (EFA) x2, EEA, Erasmus Research Institute of Management, 5th Benelux Banking Research Day, Financial Engineering and Business Society, Financial Markets and Corporate Governance PhD Symposium, European Real Estate Society, Center for European Studies (CefES), Tri-City Day-Ahead Workshop on Financial Regulation, Nova Finance PhD workshop, HEC Paris PhD workshop, Boston College, IBEFA's YESS.

2021 3rd QMUL Economics-Finance Workshop, Essex Finance Centre (EFiC), Norges Bank-CEPR. 2020 Erasmus University Rotterdam, AEFIN - PhD Finance forum, European Economic Association (EEA), 7th Emerging Scholars in Banking and Finance conference, RiskLab/Bank of Finland/ESRB.

Refereeing

Food Policy, PLOS ONE, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management.

Other Positions

Summer 2023 Bank of England

Centre for Central Banking Studies Division

2021 Tortuga

Contributor to the Italian policy-oriented think-tank of young researchers.

2017-2018 European Central Bank

DG Macroprudential Policies and Financial Stability, Traineeship, Frankfurt

2016 UniCredit Group

Risk Management, Internship, Milan

Teaching

Rotterdam School of Management

2019-2023 Microeconomics (BSc) 2019-2021 Corporate Finance (MSc)

2019 Corporate Finance* (BSc - *Best Course award)

2018-2023 Thesis Supervision: Corporate Finance, FinTech Lending, Banking

Awards 2023 10th SUERF/UniCredit Foundation Prize;

2022 ECON JM Best Paper Runner-Up Award, EEA/UniCredit Foundation;

2022 EFA Travel Grant - 49th EFA Annual Meeting

2022 European Real Estate Society (ERES) PhD Student Scholarship

2021 Dutch Research Council (NWO) - SURF Cooperative grant EINF-2355

 $2021 \hspace{0.5cm} \hbox{ERIM Talent Placement Program}$

2018 ANP Lazio - "Note di merito"

2018 Capital 4.0 - Feb/Mar 2018, n. 451-452, "Top 30 Italians under 30"

2017 Bank of Italy, Stringher Fellowship: "Particolarmente Meritevole"

2016 UniCredit&Universities, International Internship program Scholarship

Languages and Softwares

Italian (Native); English (Fluent); French (Basic), Portuguese (Basic).

STATA, R, LATEX, Matlab, Tableau, SQL.