The Luxembourg School of Finance at the University of Luxembourg and AFFECT are jointly organizing the fourth conference on Showcasing Women in Finance. This Showcase is a continuation of the series of Showcase events hosted by the University of Miami, the Stockholm School of Economics, and AFFECT.

AFFECT is a committee of the American Finance Association (AFA) that aims to promote the advancement of women academics in the field of finance. The conference will be held at the Luxembourg School of Finance, Luxembourg City.

The aim of the conference is to highlight female role models in finance and to provide an avenue for more junior researchers to receive feedback on their research and careers. The conference will be followed by a panel discussion on “What can be done to make the academic finance profession more inclusive?”.

The conference is organized with the support of the Gender Equality Officer of the University of Luxembourg and ABBL.

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Programme

8:30 – 8:45 Registration and coffee
8:45 – 9:00 Opening words by Professor Ulf von Lilienfeld-Toal, Chair of the Luxembourg School of Finance, University of Luxembourg

Session 1

Chair: Loriana Pelizzon, Goethe University
9:00 – 9:45 More Cash Flows, More Options? The Effect of Cash Windfalls on Small Firms
Xing Huang, Washington University in St. Louis
Discussant: Marieke Bos, Stockholm School of Economics
9:45 – 10:30 CDS Market Transparency and Equity Market Quality
Julia Reynolds, Università della Svizzera italiana
Discussant: Kathy Yuan, London School of Economics
10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break

Session 2

Chair: Senay Agca, George Washington University
2:15 – 3:00 The Value of Connections: Network Effects on Stock Market Participation
Olga Balakina, Lund University School of Economics and Management
Discussant: Anna Pavlova, London Business School
3:00 – 3:45 Direct Lending in the U.S. Middle Market
Tatyana Marchuk, BI Norwegian Business School
Discussant: Bernadette Minton, Ohio State University
3:45 – 4:30 Do Seemingly Smarter People Get Better Advice?
Christine Laudenbach, Goethe University Frankfurt
Discussant: Melissa Prado, Nova School of Business and Economics
4:30 – 4:45 Coffee Break

PhD Session

Chair: Melissa Prado, Nova School of Business and Economics
4:45 – 6:15 The Value-Momentum Correlation: An Investment Explanation
Elisa Pazaj, Cass Business School
Mortgage Credit and Housing Markets
Yushi Peng, University of Zurich
Tweeting in the Dark: Corporate Tweeting and Information Diffusion
Isabella Wolfskeil, Bocconi University

Panel session

10:45 – 12:00 Panel Discussion on "What can be done to make the academic finance profession more inclusive?" with
• Senay Agca, Associate Professor of Finance, George Washington University and Economics Program Director, National Science Foundation
• Corinne Lamesch, Chairperson of the Association of the Luxembourg Fund Industry (ALFI) and Luxembourg Country Head at Fidelity International
• Bernadette Minton, Professor of Finance and Arthur E. Shepard Endowed Professorship in Insurance, and Chair of the Department of Finance at the Ohio State University Fisher College of Business
• Loriana Pelizzon, Program Director of the Systemic Risk Lab, Chair of Law and Finance and Equal Opportunity Officer, Research Centre SAFE at Goethe University Frankfurt
• Manju Puri, J. B. Fuqua Professor, Fuqua School of Business at Duke University and incoming Chair of AFFECT

Moderated by Skerdilajda Zanaj, Associate Professor of Economics and Gender Equality Officer, University of Luxembourg

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Keynote Speech
1:00 – 2:00 Keynote Speech: On the Rise of FinTechs – Credit Scoring Using Digital Footprints
by J. B. Fuqua Professor Manju Puri, Fuqua School of Business at Duke University and incoming Chair of AFFECT
2:00 – 2:15 Coffee Break