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Financial decisions worldwide are increasingly influenced by the scarcity of resources, and the physical and transition risks associated with climate change. The extent of the environmental impact from climate change is still uncertain but the recent scientific evidence is increasingly worrisome and many governments are taking decisive steps in order to avert a catastrophe.

The transition towards a low-carbon economy requires a broad array of financial instruments and innovations that will have far-reaching implications for markets, corporations, intermediaries, and investors.

Scientific Committee:
Ben Caldecott, University of Oxford
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Dirk Schoenmaker, Rotterdam School of Management
Enrique Schroth, Cass Business School
Raman Uppal, EDHEC Business School
CONFEERENCE SCHEDULE

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Conference Venue:
Institut Louis Bachelier (ILB)
Palais Brongniart
28 Place de la Bourse
(4th floor)
75002 Paris

Dinner Venue:
Le Sâoticco
96 Rue de Richelieu
75002 Paris
CONFERENCE SESSIONS I, II & III, IV

9:15–10:45

Parallel Sessions I

Chair: Professor Marco Grotteria (London Business School)

- Discounting Climate Change Mitigation Projects: A Disaster-Based Asset Pricing Model
  Maria Gelrud (Wharton), Jessica A. Wachter (Wharton)
  Discussant: Jerome Detemple (Boston University)

- Does Air-Pollution Matter in Asset Pricing?
  Bo Liu (Zhejiang University), Yexiao Xu (University of Texas at Dallas)
  Discussant: Sébastien Pouget (Toulouse School of Economics)

- Climate Change, Firm Performance, and Investor Surprises
  Nora Pankratz (UCLA), Rob Bauer (Maastricht University), Jeroen Derwall (Maastricht University)
  Discussant: Quentin Moreau (Université Paris-Dauphine)

Parallel Sessions II

Chair: Dr. Nuno Bento (ISCTE-IUL)

- Social funding of Climate Finance: An Application of Distributed Ledger Technologies
  Naoyuki Yoshino (Asian Development Bank Institute), Farhad Taghizadeh-Hesary (Waseda University), Tim Schloesser (University of Bonn)
  Discussant: Conor Hickey (University College Cork)

- When Do Climate Risk Disclosures Matter to Investors?
  Walid Ben-Amar (University of Ottawa), Diana Castro Herrera (Toulouse School of Management), Isabelle Martinez (Université de Toulouse-Paul Sabatier)
  Discussant: Claudio Rizzi (University of Miami)

- Climate Change Fear: Investor Behavior and Natural Disasters
  Franco Fiordelisi (University of Essex), Giuseppe Galloppo (University of Viterbo), Viktoria Paimanova (University of Rome Tor Vergata)
  Discussant: Kristina Minnick (Bentley University)

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Parallel Sessions III

Chair: Dr. Felix Suntheim (International Monetary Fund)

- Impact of Climate Change on Cost of Bank Loan
  Abdullah Al Masum (University of Texas), Siamak Javadi (University of Texas)
  Discussant: Maria Teresa Punzi (Webster Vienna University)

- The Impact of Temperature Shocks on Credit Market
  Emdad Islam (University of New South Wales), Mandeep Singh (University of New South Wales)
  Discussant: Christoph Schiller (Arizona State University)

- Banks’ Climate Commitments and Credit to Brown Industries: New Evidence for France
  Jean–Stephane Mesnonnier (Banque de France)
  Discussant: Serena Fatica (European Commission)

Parallel Sessions IV

Chair: Professor Roman Goncharenko (KU Leuven)

- The Role of Corporate Sustainability and Carbon Emissions in Corporate Acquisition Decisions
  Sudipta Bose (University of Newcastle), Kristina Minnick (Bentley University), Syed Shams (University of Southern Queensland)
  Discussant: Gabriele Lattanzio (Southern Methodist University)

- Climate Risk and Capital Structure
  Edith Ginglinger (Université Paris-Dauphine), Quentin Moreau (Université Paris-Dauphine)
  Discussant: Stefano Ramelli (University of Zurich)

- Climate Adaptation, Capital Structure, and Green Innovation
  Tunde Kovacs (University of Massachusetts), Saira Latif (University of Massachusetts), Xiaojing Yuan (University of Massachusetts), Chi Zhang (University of Massachusetts)
  Discussant: Md Safiullah (La Trobe University)
## Parallel Sessions V

**Chair:** Professor Kim Peijnenburg *(EDHEC Business School)*

- **Investor Rewards to Climate Responsibility: Evidence from the 2016 Climate Policy Shock**  
  Stefano Ramelli *(University of Zurich)*, Alexander F. Wagner *(University of Zurich)*, Richard J. Zeckhauser *(Harvard University)*, Alexandre Ziegler *(University of Zurich)*  
  Discussant: Maria GeBrul *(Wharton)*

- **Real Effects of Climate Policy: Financial Constraints and Spillovers**  
  Söhnke M. Bartram *(Warwick Business School)*, Kewei Hou *(Ohio State University)*, Sehoon Kim *(University of Florida)*  
  Discussant: Nora Pankratz *(UCLA)*

- **Climate Change and Adaptation in Global Supply-Chain Networks**  
  Nora Pankratz *(UCLA)*, Christoph Schiller *(Arizona State University)*  
  Discussant: Taehyun Kim *(UNIST)*

## Parallel Sessions VI

**Chair:** Professor Gianpaolo Parise *(EDHEC Business School)*

- **Does Competing on Corporate Social Responsibility Lead to Superior Financial Performance?**  
  Gabriele Lattanzio *(Southern Methodist University)*, Lubomir Litov *(University of Oklahoma)*  
  Discussant: Walid Ben-Amar *(University of Ottawa)*

- **Do Institutional Investors Vote to Curb Climate Change? An Empirical Analysis of Shareholder Meetings**  
  Marie Brière *(Amundi)*, Sébastien Pouget *(Toulouse School of Economics)*, Loredana Ureche-Rangau *(University of Picardie)*  
  Discussant: Giuseppe Galloppo *(University of Viterbo)*

- **Institutional Herding in Sustainable Investments**  
  Matteo Bonetti *(University of Maastricht)*  
  Discussant: Martin Goetz *(Goethe University and SAFE)*

## Parallel Sessions VII

**Chair:** Dr. Nuno Bento *(ISCTE-IUL)*

- **Thou Shalt not Bear False Witness Against your Customers: Cultural Norms and the Volkswagen Scandal**  
  Ifthekhar Hasan *(Fordham University)*, Felix Noth *(Halle Institute)*, Lena Tonzer *(Halle Institute)*  
  Discussant: Marco Ghitti *(SKEMA)*

- **Can European Electric Utilities Manage Asset Impairments Arising from Net Zero Carbon Targets?**  
  Conor Hickey *(University College Cork)*, John O’ Brien *(University College Cork)*, Ben Caldecott *(University of Oxford)*, Celine McInerney *(University College Cork)*, Brian O Gallachoir *(University College Cork)*  
  Discussant: Charles Donovan *(Imperial College)*

- **Financial Risks of an Energy Transition: Potential Impacts from Decarbonisation in the European Power Sector**  
  Chris Cormacka *(Quant Foundry Limited)*, Charles Donovan *(Imperial College)*, Alexandre Koberle *(Imperial College)*, Anastasiya Ostrovnya *(Imperial College)*  
  Discussant: Jean-Stéphane Mésionnier *(Banque de France)*
16:30-18:00

**Parallel Sessions VIII**

**Room:** Salle des Séminaires

**Chair:** Professor Laurent Deville (*EDHEC Business School*)

> **Do Banks Price Environmental Risk? Evidence from a Quasi Natural Experiment in China**

Bihong Huang (*Asian Development Bank Institute*), Maria Teresa Punzi (*Webster Vienna University*), Yu Wu (*Southwestern University Chengdu*)

Discussant: Mandeep Singh (*University of New South Wales*)

> **The Pricing of Green Bonds: Are Financial Institutions Special?**

Serena Fatica (*European Commission*), Roberto Panzica (*European Commission*), Michela Rancan (*European Commission*)

Discussant: Abdullah Al Masum (*University of Texas*)

> **Where Rain Matters! Risk (Investment) Timing and Value Relevance**

Sandeep Rao (*University of Strathclyde*), Santosh Koirala (*University of Strathclyde*), Chandra Thapa (*University of Strathclyde*)

Discussant: Lena Tonzer (*Halle Institute*)

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**Parallel Sessions IX**

**Room:** Salle de réunion

**Chair:** Professor Ben Caldecott (*University of Oxford*)

> **Financing Conditions and Toxic Emissions**

Martin Goetz (*Goethe University and SAFE*)

Discussant: Söhnke M. Bartram (*Warwick Business School*)

> **Are all Institutional Investors Cautious about Firm-Level Carbon Emissions?**

Md Safiullah (*La Trobe University*), Md Samsul Alam (*De Montfort University*), Md Shahidul Islam (*University of Suffolk*)

Discussant: Matteo Bonetti (*Maastricht University*)

> **Capitalizing on Sustainability: Value of Going Green**

Taehyun Kim (*UNIST*), Yongjun Kim (*University of Seoul*)

Discussant: Chi Zhang (*University of Massachusetts*)
About EDHEC-Risk Institute

Part of EDHEC Business School and established in 2001, EDHEC-Risk Institute has become the premier academic centre for industry-relevant financial research. In partnership with large financial institutions, its team of permanent professors, engineers, and support staff, and research associates and affiliate professors, implements seven research programmes and six research chairs, industrial partnerships and private research projects focusing on asset allocation and risk management. Additionally, it has developed an ambitious portfolio of research and educational initiatives in the domain of investment solutions for institutional and individual investors. As part of its “Make an Impact” signature, EDHEC-Risk plays a noted role in furthering applied financial research and systematically highlighting its practical uses.

EDHEC-Risk Institute also has highly significant executive education activities for professionals, in partnership with prestigious academic partners.

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