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Financial Intermediation Network of European Studies

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Activities

1. Working papers. The working paper series gives the possibility to share the research effort among all interested researchers dealing with banking and financial intermediation issues. At the same time, working papers will be highly regarded in the academic environment. Working papers will be peer-reviewed following a double-blind review system.
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5. Summer schools. FINEST organizes short summer courses on issues related to banking and financial intermediation in Europe for undergraduate and postgraduate students in accounting, economics, finance, and management.

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Programme

08.45-09.10

Arrival and Registration

9.10-9.15

Welcome talk

Barbara Casu, Head of Faculty of Finance, Director of the Centre for Banking Research, Bayes Business School

Session 1

Chair: Angela Gallo

9.15-9.55

Title: **The repo market under Basel III**

Authors: Eddie Gerba (Bank of England), Petros Katsoulis (Bank of England)

Discussant: Pedro Gurrola-Perez (World Federation of Exchanges)

9.55-10.35

Title: **Information Saliency and Credit Supply: Evidence from Payment Defaults on Trade Bills**

Authors: Aleksandra Baros (Catholic University of Milan), Ettore Croci (Catholic University of Milan), Mattia Girotti (Banque de France), Federica Salvade (Paris School of Business) Discussant: Sonny Biswas (University of Bristol)

10.35-11.15

Title: **In-dependent Central Banks**

Authors: Vasso Ioannidou (Bayes Business School), Sotirios Kokas (University of Essex), Thomas Lambert (Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University), Alexander Michaelides (Imperial College London)

Discussant: Carmelo Salleo (European Central Bank)

11.15-11.45 Coffee break

Keynote Speech

11.45-12.30

How about Institutional investors, trust, and society?

Raghavendra Rau (Cambridge Judge Business School)

12.30-13.30 Lunch

Session 2 – Early Idea session

Chair: John Wilson

13.30-13.45

Title: **Investor's Confidence in Supervision: Evidence from Bank Opacity**

Authors: Franco Fiordelisi (University of Essex), Claudia Girardone (University of Essex), Merve Demirbas Özbekler (University of Essex)

13.45-14.00

Title: **Corporate Disagreement and Firm Investments**

Authors: Ozlem Akin (Ozyegin University), Christian Fons-Rosen (University of California at Merced)

14.00-14.15

Title: **Bank Misconduct and CEO turnover: The role of board diversity**

Authors: Barbara Casu (Bayes Business School), Angela Gallo (Bayes Business School), Elena Kalotychou (Cyprus University of Technology), Anna Sarkisyan (University of Essex)

14.15-14.45 Coffee Break

Session 3

Chair: Claudia Girardone

14.45-15.25

Title: **Mis-Selling Bank Bonds**

Authors: Franco Fiordelisi (University of Essex), David Marques-Ibanez (European Central Bank), George Pennacchi (University of Illinois), Giulia Scardozzi (University of Rome III)

Discussant: Alexander Michaelides (Imperial College London)

15.25-16.05

Title: **Pay Gaps, Incentives, and Bank Performance**

Authors: Fatima Cardias Williams and Jonathan Williams (University of Surrey)

Discussant: Pablo de Andres (Autonoma University of Madrid)

Concluding Remarks

Drink Reception

Notes on the Discussant, Presenters and Chairs

Ozlem Akin is assistant Professor of Finance and Head of International Finance Department at Ozyegin University, Turkey. She is an Academic Fellow at the Centre for Responsible Banking & Finance at the University of St Andrews. Ozlem's research interests are in the areas of banking and corporate finance. She has published in top-ranked journals such as *Financial Management* and *Economic Policy*. She serves as an external advisor at The Central Bank of the Turkey.

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