



The 11th Corporate Finance Day

September 19th, 2013

Conference venue:
Place du XX Août, 7
B- 4000 Liège

Organizing Committee:
Professor Marie Lambert
Professor Aline Muller



Program

8.15 am	8.30 am	Registration and Coffee (Room: Salle académique)
8.30 am	9.00 am	Welcome address Professor Danielle Sougné, President of the Finance and Law Department, HEC-ULg Professor Marie Lambert, Financial Analysis and Corporate Finance, HEC-ULg (Room: Salle académique)
9.00 am	10.30 am	Parallel sessions A (A1, A2, A3)
10.30 am	11.00 am	Coffee break (Room: Salle des professeurs)
11.00 am	12.30 pm	Parallel sessions B (B1, B2, B3)
12.30 pm	2.00 pm	Lunch (Room: Salle des professeurs)
2.00 pm	3.30 pm	Parallel sessions C (C1, C2)
3.30 pm	4.00 pm	Coffee break (Room: Salle des professeurs)
<i>Closing ceremony</i>		
4.00 pm	5.30 pm	"Buybacks around the world", Keynote address by Professor Theo Vermaelen, The Schroders Chaired Professor of International Finance and Asset Management, INSEAD, Fontainebleau (Room: Salle académique)
5.30 pm	6.30 pm	"Best practices in European SME valuation", joint research project between HEC-ULg, BNP Paribas Fortis and Transeo (Room: Salle académique)
6.30 pm	8.00 pm	Closing address and Reception (Room: Salle des professeurs)

Program sessions

Sessions (time)	1	2	3
Sessions A (9.00 am - 10.30 am)	Venture Capital and Entrepreneurship (Salle académique)	Equity Management (Salle de l'horloge)	Corporate Loan Market (Salle des lumières)
Sessions B (11.00 am - 12.30 pm)	Corporate Risk (Salle de l'horloge)	Financial Distress (Salle académique)	CSR and Good Governance (Salle des lumières)
Sessions C (2.00 pm - 3.30 pm)	Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts (Salle de l'horloge)	Firm-level Risk Exposures (Salle des lumières)	

Sessions A

A1

Venture Capital and Entrepreneurship

*Room: Salle académique***Session Chair****Sophie Manigart****Vlerick Business School (Belgium)**Venture capital-backing and public investor:
Belgian evidence**Yan Alperovych**, Georges Hübner
and Fabrice Lobet

EMLYON Business School (France)

Discussant

David Devigne

Vlerick Business School (Belgium)

Dynamic matching of supply and demand:
The impact of VC investor's origin and
portfolio company's characteristics**David Devigne** and Sophie Manigart

Vlerick Business School (Belgium)

Discussant

Yaping Mao

Tilburg University (The Netherlands)

Portfolio optimization and the cost of capital
for the entrepreneur**Thomas Bonesire**, Georges Hübner
and Roland Gillet

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

Discussant

Charles Van Wymeersch

Investsud SA and University of Namur (Belgium)

A2

Equity Management of Listed Companies

*Room: Salle de l'horloge***Session Chair****Antonio Cosma****University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg)**Real options and the option to withdraw:
Evidence from open market share repurchases**Mark Mietzner**

FIF Institute - Zeppelin University (Germany)

Discussant

Antonio Cosma

University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg)

Corporate governance of
cross-listed A- and H-share firms**Shan Li**, Paul Brockman and Ralf Zurbruegg

University of Adelaide (Australia)

Discussant

Agnieszka Trzeciakiewicz

University of Hull (UK)

The role of segmentation and
investor recognition through
the lens of cross-listing activityFrancesca Carrieri, **Xavier Mouchette**
and Aline Muller

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

Discussant

Mark Mietzner

FIF Institute - Zeppelin University (Germany)

A3

Corporate Loan Market

*Room: Salle des lumières***Session Chair****Christophe Godlewski****EM Strasbourg (France)**The global corporate loan market and syndicate
formation: A network perspective**Martha G. Contreras**, Stéphanie Kleimeier
and Jaap Bos

SBE Maastricht (The Netherlands)

Discussant

Christophe Godlewski

EM Strasbourg (France)

A union of three partners: How do relationships
among PE-sponsors, lenders and target-firms
influence the costs of LBO financing?**Anantha Krishna Divakaruni**
and Miguel Meuleman

Vlerick Business School (Belgium)

Discussant

Hao Liang

Tilburg University (The Netherlands)

Reforming finance under
fragmented governmentsFrancesco Di Comite and **Thomas Lambert**

Louvain School of Management (UCL, Belgium)

Discussant

Teng Wang

Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus
University (The Netherlands)

Sessions B

B1

Corporate Risk Room: Salle de l'horloge

Session Chair

Charles Van Wymeersch

Investsud SA and University of Namur (Belgium)

Impact of financial crisis on firms' capital structure in UK, France and Germany

Ortenca Kume and Abdullah Iqbal

Kent Business School (UK)

Discussant

Mathias Schmit

Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management - ULB (Belgium)

Ponzi or not Ponzi in banking:
Cash-flow statement analysis

Thierry Denuit and **Mathias Schmit**

Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management - ULB (Belgium)

Discussant

Ortenca Kume

Kent Business School (UK)

Do firms spread out bond maturity to manage their funding liquidity risk?

Lars Norden, Peter Roosenboom and **Teng Wang**

Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University (The Netherlands)

Discussant

Shan Li

University of Adelaide (Australia)

B2

Financial Distress Room: Salle académique

Session Chair

Georges Hübner

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

Distressed bidders: Acquisition timing and firm recovery

Evy Bruylants

Vlerick Business School (Belgium)

Discussant

Eric de Bodt

Université Lille 2 - Skema Business School (France)

Pricing of distress in bank stocks.
Evidence from Europe

Edward Altman, Francesca Campolongo, **Janko Cizel** and Herbert Rijken

VU Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

Discussant

Evy Bruylants

Vlerick Business School (Belgium)

Do stock returns really decrease with default risk? New international evidence

Kevin Aretz, Chris Florackis and Alexandros Kostakis

Manchester Business School (UK)

Discussant

Tarik Bazgour

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

B3

Corporate Social Responsibility and Good Governance Room: Salle des lumières

Session Chair

Danielle Sougné

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

The foundations of Corporate Social Responsibility

Hao Liang and Luc Renneboog

Tilburg University (The Netherlands)

Discussant

Thomas Lambert

Louvain School of Management - UCL (Belgium)

Employment protection legislation and firm profitability

Yannick Van Landuyt, Nico Dewaelheyns and Cynthia Van Hulle

K.U. Leuven (Belgium)

Discussant

Balbinder Singh Gill

Ghent University (Belgium)

Human capital bankruptcy costs, terms of employment and capital structure: an empirical analysis

Balbinder Singh Gill

Ghent University (Belgium)

Discussant

Rosy Locorotondo

K.U. Leuven (Belgium)

Sessions C

C1

Mergers, Acquisitions and Buyouts

Room: Salle de l'horloge

Session Chair

Eric de Bodt

Université Lille 2 (France)

Rival reactions

Nihat Aktas, **Eric de Bodt** and Richard Roll

Université Lille 2 - Skema Business School
(France)

Discussant

Virginie Mataigne

Ghent University (Belgium)

The wealth effects of horizontal acquisitions on rivals: Distinguishing between public, private and subsidiary targets

Virginie Mataigne, Sophie Manigart
and Mathieu Luypaert

Ghent University (Belgium)

Discussant

Yan Alperovych

EM Lyon Business School (France)

Do managers manipulate accounting numbers prior to Management Buyouts?

Yaping Mao and Luc Renneboog

Tilburg University (The Netherlands)

Discussant

Corneel Defrancq

Vlerick Business School and K.U. Leuven
(Belgium)

C2

Firm-level Risk Exposures

Room: Salle des lumières

Session Chair

Kevin Aretz

Manchester Business School (UK)

Insider trading and the likelihood of corporate insolvency: Evidence from UK firms

Aydin Ozkan, Jannine Poletti-Hughes
and **Agnieszka Trzeciakiewicz**

University of Hull (UK)

Discussant

Kevin Aretz

Manchester Business School (UK)

Cracks in the crystal ball: What happens to firms' foreign exchange rate exposure when forecasters don't agree about the future

Julien Poncelet, Aline Muller,
Willem F.C. Verschoor and Remco Zwinkels

HEC-ULg (Belgium)

Discussant

Janko Cizel

VU Amsterdam (The Netherlands)

Does the renegotiation of financial contracts matter for firm value? Empirical evidence from Europe

Christophe Godlewski

EM Strasbourg Business School (France)

Discussant

Martha G. Contreras

Maastricht University (The Netherlands)

List of participants

Name	University	Session
Yan Alperovych	EMLYON Business School (France)	A1 C1
Kevin Aretz	Manchester Business School (UK)	B2 C2
Tarik Bazgour	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	B2
Thomas Bonesire	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	A1
Evy Bruylants	Ghent University and Vlerick Business School (Belgium)	B2
Janko Cizel	Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam (The Netherlands)	B2 C2
Martha G. Contreras	SBE – Maastricht University (The Netherlands)	A3 C2
Antonio Cosma	University of Luxembourg (Luxembourg)	A2
Eric de Bodt	SKEMA Business School, Univ. Lille Nord de France (France)	B2 C1
Corneel Defranceq	Vlerick Business School and K.U. Leuven (Belgium)	C1
David Devigne	Vlerick Business School (Belgium)	A1
Anantha Krishna Divakaruni	Vlerick Business School (Belgium)	A3
Balbinder Singh Gill	Ghent University (Belgium)	B3
Christophe J. Godlewski	University of Haute Alsace and EM Strasbourg Business School – LaRGE Research Center (France)	A3 C2
Georges Hübner	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	B2
Ortenca Kume	Kent Business School (UK)	B1
Thomas Lambert	Louvain School of Management (UCL, Belgium)	A3 B3
Shan Li	University of Adelaide (Australia)	A2 B1
Hao Liang	Tilburg University (The Netherlands) and John M. Olin Center - Harvard University (USA)	A3 B3
Rosy Locorotondo	K.U. Leuven (Belgium)	B3

Name	University	Session
Sophie Manigart	Vlerick Business School (Belgium)	A1
Yaping Mao	Tilburg University (The Netherlands)	A1 C1
Virginie Mataigne	Ghent University (Belgium)	C1
Mark Mietzner	FIF Institute – Zeppelin University (Germany)	A2
Xavier Mouchette	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	A2
Julien Poncelet	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	C2
Mathias Schmit	Free University of Brussels (Belgium)	B1
Danielle Sougné	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	B3
Agnieszka Trzeciakiewicz	The University of Hull (UK)	A2 C2
Yannick Van Landuyt	K.U. Leuven (Belgium)	B3
Charles Van Wymeersch	Investsud SA	A1 B1
Teng Wang	Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University (The Netherlands)	A3 B1
Marie Lambert	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	
Aline Muller	HEC-ULg (Belgium)	
Theo Vermaelen	INSEAD, Fontainebleau (France)	
Marie Depessemaker	Transeo AISBL	
Jean-Pierre Di Bartolomeo	Transeo AISBL	
Bernard Jehin	Transeo AISBL	
Jean-François Collette	BNP Paribas Fortis	
Benoît Mélot	BNP Paribas Fortis	