

4th Conference on Financial Law and Regulation

The City Law School

City St George's, University of London

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Location: The City Law School, Room TLG11, Sebastian St, Northampton Square

London EC1V 0HB

Conference Programme:

9:00-9:15 Registration and Coffee

9:15-9:30 Opening Remarks:

Richard Ashcroft, Dean, City Law School – City St George's University of London

9:30-10:45 Panel 1: Corporate Finance

Chair: Graham Penn (University College London)

1. **Alan Brener** (University College London) and **Eleanore Hickman** (University of Bristol):

The Senior Managers and Certification Regime in UK practice and global context

2. **Martin Bengtzen** (King's College London):

Flexibility vs. Force: Re-evaluating the UK Takeover Panel's Enforcement Toolkit for Modern Markets

3. **Suren Gomtsian** (LSE) and **Narine Lalafaryan** (University of Cambridge):

Investor Stewardship by Parallel Equity and Debt Holders

4. **Konstantinos Serdaris** (Utrecht University):

Ad hoc Disclosure Obligations in Protracted Processes After the EU Listing Act: Balancing Investor Protection and Issuer Interests

10:45 – 10:55 Coffee Break

10:55 – 12:10 Panel 2: FinTech I

Chair: Iris Chiu (University College London)

1. **Victoria Barnes** (Queens University Belfast), **Ragini Surana** (Max Plank Institute), and **Zi Yang** (Queens University Belfast):

A Game of Cat and Mouse? A Critical Review of Ethics and Culture in Banking Against Technology Development

2. **Vincenzo Bavoso** (University of Manchester) and **Michael Galanis** (University of Manchester):

Drawing the Boundaries of 'Naked' Short-Selling by Market-Makers: The Regulatory Challenges of High-Frequency Trading.

3. **Wojtek Buczynski** (University of Cambridge):

Recent and emerging regulatory themes in Artificial Intelligence in financial services and FinTech

4. **Mohammed Khair Alshaleel** (University of Essex):

Financial Stability at Stake: Decentralised Finance's Regulatory Challenges in a Changing Financial Landscape

12:00-13:00 Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:15 Panel 3: FinTech II

Chair: Andromachi Georgosouli (Queen Mary University of London)

1. **Rachel Phang** (Singapore Management University):

Statutory Trusts for the “Trustless”? – Analysing Legislative Attempts to Safeguard Customers’ Cryptoassets

2. **Neeti Shikha** (University of the West of England) and **Ilias Kapsis** (City St George’s University of London):

Evaluating Insolvency Issues in Decentralised Autonomous Organisations

3. **Marilyne Ordekian** (University College London):

A Mixed-Method Investigation of the Self-Regulatory Practices of Cryptocurrency Exchanges in Light of the EU’s DORA and MiCA Regulation

4. **Monica Laura Vessio** (University of Reading):

When AI Meets Cryptocurrencies – How do we Regulate Smart Money?

14:15-14:25 Coffee Break

14:25-15:55 Panel 4: Sustainable Finance

Chair: Pedro Schilling de Carvalho (University College London)

1. **Karina Patrício Ferreira Lima** (University of Leeds), **Annina Kaltenbrunner** (University of Leeds),

Guilherme Klein Martins (University of Leeds), **Karsten Kohler** (University of Leeds), **Iván**

Weigandi Martínez (University of Leeds), **Bruno Bonizzi** (University of Hertfordshire):

Enhancing Multilateral Development Banks’ Capacity through Local Currency Financing

2. **I-Ju Chen** (University of Exeter):

Denote a Public-Private-Partnership (PPP) Model in Sustainable Finance: Legal, Ethical and Cultural Implications

3. **Charlotte Villiers** (University of Bristol):

Greenwashing, greenhushing and sustainable finance

4. **Justin Vanderschuren** (UCLouven):

Proposal for a Regulation Addressing Speculation in Sovereign Debt

5. **Edoardo D. Martino** (University of Amsterdam) and **Katarzyna Parchimowicz** (University of Wrocław):

A Market for Limes: The Information View on Green Banking Regulation

15:55-16:05 Coffee Break

16:05-17:20 Panel 5: Financial Regulation

Chairs: Dalvinder Singh (University of Warwick) and **Anat Keller** (King’s College London)

1. **Elizabeth Howell** (LSE):

London’s Adaptability as an International Financial Centre - the Relevance of History

2. **Ilaria Zavoli** (University of Leeds):

A Failed Revolution? How UWOs Could Transform Financial Crime Prevention (and Why They Don’t).

3. **Eleanore Hickman** (University of Bristol) and **Patrick Ring** (Glasgow Caledonian University):

The FCAs Advice Guidance Boundary Review and the future of financial advice

4. **Andrea Fejős** (University of Essex), **Andrea Miglionico** (University of Reading), **Monica Vessio** (University of Reading):

The UK Authorised Push Payment Fraud Framework: The Consumer Standard of Caution and Regulatory Interventions

17:20-17:30 Closing Remarks-End