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Education

PhD in Economics, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
Advisors: Dario Pozzoli, Moira Daly; Expected completion: 2025
Visiting PhD Student, University of California Santa Cruz, USA Advisors: Grace Gu, Galina Hale
MSc in Advanced Economics and Finance, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
BSc in Economics , Ningbo University, China Exchange: The University of Auckland, New Zealand (2017-2018)

Research Fields

Climate Risks, Sustainable Finance, Corporate Economics

Working in Progress

Climate Change and Bank Lending: Evidence from Physical and Transition Risks Job Market Paper

Abstract: This study examines how firms' exposure to climate-related physical and transition risks affects bank credit allocation. Using novel, granular measures for both risk types, merged with matched firm-bank data from Danish registers, I find that banks reduce credit growth to firms with higher physical and transition risks. A one standard deviation increase in each type of risk results in a 1%-2% reduction in loan growth, representing about an 8%-16% deviation from the mean. These effects are most pronounced for constrained firms (e.g., small or highly leveraged) and are concentrated within banks with high exposure to risk and repeat lending relationships. Additionally, the evidence suggests that more credit is allocated to risky but "greening" firms and firms with low combined physical and transition risks. Finally, the credit supply side is likely to play a more important role in the observed effect, partly due to banks' credit risk concerns.

Climate Risks and Firms' Innovation

with Grace Gu, Ismir Mulalic, and Dario Pozzoli; Draft is available upon request

Abstract: Over the past two decades, there has been a significant increase in climate-related risks, including extreme weather events (physical risks) and the implementation of climate-change mitigation policies (transition risks). In this study, we investigate how these risks affect firms' innovation outcomes, including those related to green technologies. We first develop a partial equilibrium model, in which firms choose how many workers to employ for respectively R&D and production activities in response to rising physical and transition risks. The model predicts an increase in the share of total researchers in employment and in the share of researchers inventing green technologies under certain conditions. To test these predictions, we use Danish matched employer-employee data, combined with additional sources that allow us to measure firms' innovation outcomes and climate risks. Our empirical evidence generally supports the model's predictions, indicating that firms increase their share of R&D workers and innovation, especially in the green area in response to climate risks, although very modestly.

Climate Risks and Credit Allocation

with Grace Gu, Galina Hale, and Bhavyaa Sharma; Work in progress

This study aims to understand how credit allocation changes to greener or browner firms, by examining all possible adjustment margins, based on both cross-country loan syndicated loan data, as well as the universe of firms and banks from Denmark. We first test whether banks screen firms within industries or banks indiscriminately lend to greener firms in general regardless of their industries. Then we slice the population into incumbent firms and new firms and study lending relationship formation and dissolution due to climate risk considerations.

Honors and Grants

Teaching Experience

2020,2021,2022,2024	Econometrics (Microeconometrics)
	Copenhagen Business School, Graduate-level
2023	Macroeconomics
	Copenhagen Business School, Undergraduate-level
2022	Econometric Analysis for Firm Data (Microeconometrics)
	Copenhagen Business School, Graduate-level
2022, 2023	Financial Econometrics (Macroeconometrics)
	Copenhagen Business School, Graduate-level

Employment

2024 - PresentResearch Assistant, Technical University of Denmark, Climate and Energy Policy Division2020 - 2021Research Assistant, Copenhagen Business School, Department of Economics

Conferences, Workshops, and Seminars

2025 | AFA PhD Poster Session*

2024 UC Santa Cruz Brown Bag, University of Gothenburg Brown Bag, DGPE Annual Conference 2024

2023 DRUID Academy 2023, AAERE 2023, Conference on Climate and Energy Finance

2022 | DGPE Annual Conference 2022

2021 DGPE Annual Conference 2021, 3rd Nordic Initiative for Corporate Economics Conference 2021 (Discussant) (*denotes presentations scheduled)

Miscellaneous

IT skills: STATA, R, ArcGIS, Python, LaTeX

Language: Mandarin (Native), English (Proficient, IELTS: 7.5, C1), Japanese & Danish (Beginner) Selected PhD Coursework: Sustainable Finance, Advanced Econometrics, Advanced Macroeconomics, Advanced Microeconomics, Empirical Corporate Finance

References

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