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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Research Associate

University of Manchester, Alliance Manchester Business School

Nov.2020-Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Finance, University of Surrey, UK

Thesis Title: The Effects of Terrorism on Corporate Actions

Supervisors: Prof. Dimitris Petmezas (principal supervisor) and Dr. Christos Mavis

2017-Feb.2021 (Expected)

M.Sc. Financial Economics, University of Essex, UK

Graduated with Distinction (82%)

2016

B.Sc. Financial Mathematics, National Economics University, Vietnam

2012

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Corporate Finance, Climate Finance, Household Finance, and Fintech

RESEARCH

Does Safety Uncertainty Affect Acquisitions? (with [Dimitris Petmezas](#) and [Nikolaos Karampatas](#)), *R&R at Management Science*

Abstract: Using terrorist attacks as an exogenous shock to safety uncertainty, we provide causal evidence that firms located near terrorism-stricken areas receive lower takeover premium. The latter finding is reflected in lower target firm abnormal returns and synergy gains. Additionally, given that firms in terrorism-afflicted areas become less attractive, they are less likely takeover targets for two years after the terrorist attack, and acquirers from such areas are more likely to buy target firms from more distant locations. We attribute our results to human capital which is affected by terrorism induced safety uncertainty, consistent with Abadie and Gardeazabal's (2008) theoretical model.

Uncertainty and Corporate Innovation: Evidence from Terrorist Attacks (with [Eliezer M. Fich](#) and [Dimitris Petmezas](#)), *Under Review at the Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*

Abstract: We examine the causal effects of uncertainty on corporate innovation by exploiting terrorist attacks. Counting victims to measure an attack's strength, we find that as terrorism intensity increases, firms near the strikes exhibit declines in R&D spending, patenting, citations, patent originality, and innovation value. Nearby firms do not hire new inventors and their inventors tend to move to distant companies. These effects continue for up to three years after the attacks. Our findings suggest that terrorism curtails innovation by aggravating the economic uncertainty affecting firms near the attacks and by worsening the uncertainty about personal security faced by their employees.

WORKING PAPERS

The Impact of CSR on Firm Performance during Traumatic Events (with [Kose John](#), [Eliezer M. Fich](#), and [Dimitris Petmezas](#))

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dissertation Tutor for Masters Students
Surrey Business School

Summers 2017 & 2018

Guest Lectures on Data Analysis Using STATA
Surrey Business School

Oct-Dec.2017

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

ASSA Virtual Annual Meeting (scheduled) *2021*
AFA Annual Meeting, FMA Annual Meeting, FMA's European Conference *2020*

AWARDS

Surrey Business School Research Student of the Year Award *2020*
Ph.D. Scholarship, Surrey Business School *2018–2020*
Academic Excellence International Masters Scholarship, University of Essex *2015*

RELEVANT SKILLS

Programming Languages: Stata, SAS, R, Python and LATEX

Databases: COMPUSTAT, CRSP, Thomson One, and Datastream

Qualifications: *SAS Certified Programmer* by SAS Institute ([SASbase](#), [SASadv](#)); *Machine Learning: Regression (MLR)* and *Classification (MLC)* by University of Washington

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

Applications of Data Analysis using STATA *2016*
Organized by Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER), University of Essex

Panel Data and Survival Analysis *2016*
Organized by Institute for Social and Economic Research (ISER), University of Essex

Econometric Methods *2015*
Organized by Prof. Marcus J. Chambers - Department of Economics, University of Essex

REFERENCES

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