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               Nicholas Dorn, School of Advanced Study, University of London
             • Towards a new synthesis on the role of central banks in the making of a finance-led growth regime
               Hielke van Doorslaer, University of Ghent
             • The power of finance in the age of market-based banking
               Samuel Knafo, University of Sussex
             • The spatialisation of the future and its implications for the varieties of capitalism paradigm
               Photis Lysandrou, City, University of London

Panel 1B – TRENDS IN DIGITAL FINANCE I – A10 – Chair: Andrea Lagna

• Finance/security infrastructures
  Marieke de Goede, University of Amsterdam

• Big data, blockchain, and China’s neostatist challenge to neoliberal decentralization
  Julian Gruin, University of Amsterdam

• Big tech eating global finance? Perspectives, players, progress, prospects
  Reijer Hendrikse and David Bassens, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

• App-based banking, market design, and the digital constructivism of fintech
  Ruben Kremers, University of Warwick

• Money is data: The platformization of payment infrastructures
  Carola Westermeier, University of Amsterdam
Panel IC – FINANCE AND ENERGY TRANSITION – AG03 – Chair: Timo Walter

• Financialization and the energy transition: The case of German electric utilities
  Gregory Ferguson-Cradler, University of Bergen

• Derisking Africa? Examining green risk guarantee schemes against the backdrop of colonial power
  Steffen Haag, University of Applied Sciences Nürtingen

• Why regulation fails: Financialization, redistribution and the political economy of oil markets
  Sandy Hager, City, University of London
  Joseph Baines, King’s College London

• Challenges and risks of decarbonisation for African oil exporters
  Anne Löscher, University of Leeds

• Greening the anti-politics machine? African energy transitions and green finance in postcolonial contexts
  Franziska Müller, University of Kassel

Panel ID – FICTIONS OF FINANCE – AG07b – Chair: Jane Elliott

• Film, affect and finance: From ‘Indiscreet’ (1958) to ‘Up in the Air’ (2009)
  Joyce Goggin, University of Amsterdam

• Fixed book prices, digitisation, and the profitable notion of the singularity of literature
  Caroline Kögl, University of Münster

• Persistent financial mysticism: From Frank Knight to Elie Ayache
  Jordan Sjol, Duke University

• The pleasure of ownership
  Noam Yuran, Tel Aviv University

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  Shirin Barol, Graduate Institute Geneva

- **Keeping bank F alive**
  Anne van der Graaf, Sciences Po Paris

- **We are the (European) champions: Power, state strategies and the European Banking Union**
  Elsa Massoc, European University Institute

- **From bazooka to backstop: The emergence of a permanent international lender of last resort**
  Lea Steininger, Humboldt University of Berlin/Mathis Richtmann, London School of Economics

- **Embedded finance: The shadow banking system, monetary politics and sovereign power**
  Joscha Wullweber, University of Kassel

Panel 2B – TECHNO FINANCIAL UTOPIAS – AG03 – Chair: Malcolm Campbell-Verduyn

- **Polysemy of digital financialisation: Post-crisis narratives of FinTech as economic nirvana in Modi’s India**
  Ismail Ertürk, Indradeep Ghosh, Kadambari Shah, *University of Manchester

- **Negotiating monies and change: The subjective morals and plural pragmatics of cryptocurrency design**
  Inês Faria, University of Lisbon

- **Will the Integral Revolution have its own cryptocurrency? Counterpolitics and prefigurative technologies**
  Sandra Faustino, University of Lisbon

- **Performing temporalities: Genesis time, transaction time, and utopian time in Blockchain technology**
  Ilan Talmud, University of Haifa

Panel 2C – FINANCIAL SUBJECTIVITIES I – AG07b – Chair: Phillip Roscoe

- **Earmarking risk: Relational accounting and portfolio choice**
  Adam Hayes, University of Wisconsin-Madison
  Rourke O’Brien, Yale University

- **Credit score as a loop in consumer credit relations**
  M. Fatih Karakaya, Istanbul University

- **Consuming debt, being consumed by debt**
  Kate Padgett Walsh, Iowa State University

- **Character capital: Social impact bonds and the financialization of behaviour**
  Emily Rosamond, Goldsmiths, University of London
Panel 2D – SPACES OF FINANCE – A110 – Chair: Nina Boy

- A place like all others
  David Flood, Independent researcher

- 7 Walks (a reenactment in Spa): Researching sustainable practices through art and law
  Kateleen Vermeir and Ronny Heiremans, Independent artists
  Luke Mason, Birmingham City University

- 4cm: The space of contact/less exchange
  Sarah Vowden, Goldsmiths, University of London

15.00–16.45 Panel 3A – CENTRAL BANKING – A110 – Chair: Erin Lockwood

- Minskyan technocrats? The lost dimension of macroprudential regulation
  Jacques-Olivier Charron, Paris Dauphine University

- Macroprudential regulation and the neoliberal growth model in the US and Australia
  Oliver Levingston, University of Sydney

- Private debt as shadow money? Conceptual, empirical, and policy considerations
  Steffen Murau, City, University of London/Tobias Pforr, University of Warwick

- Contradictions of emerging market central banking in an age of global finance
  Fathima Musthaq, Indiana University

- Securing a public good? Money market liquidity and the Federal Reserve
  Fabian Pape, University of Warwick

Panel 3B – REGULATING FINTECH – AG03 – Chair: Juvaria Jafri

- The political economy of RegTech
  Pedro Batista, Goethe University Frankfurt

- Open banking, radical transparency and the digital gaze
  Clea Bourne, Goldsmiths, University of London

- IOs and the standardization of distributed ledger technology in financial/security infrastructures
  Malcolm Campbell-Verduyn, University of Groningen/Moritz Hütten, Darmstadt Business School

- Regulating innovation: UK, FinTech, and the role of international standard-setting bodies post-Brexit
  Pedro Schilling de Carvalho, University of Cambridge
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- **Gendering financial profit: Hegemonic masculinity in the production and uneven distribution of profit**  
  Theo Bourgeron, Sciences Po Paris

- **What is the value and worth of a credit? The intimacy of debt through familial needs**  
  Ferda Demirci, University of Toronto

- **Bridging the gender divide in financial services: Technology & the strategic targeting of female customers**  
  Dana Lunberry, London School of Economics

- **Feminizing Finance: Female Bankers from ‘Hester’ (1883) to ‘Equity’ (2016)**  
  Barbara Straumann, University of Zurich

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**HOW THE LAW CREATES WEALTH AND INEQUALITY**

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• Steering capital: The growing private authority of index providers in the age of passive investing
  Johannes Petry, University of Warwick
  Jan Fichtner and Elke Heemskerk, University of Amsterdam

• Regulation and the financialization of occupational pension funds
  Charalampos Fytros, University of Piraeus

• Proxy advisors – friend or foe? Asset managers, governance reforms and corporate obstruction
  Patrick Jahnke, University of Edinburgh

• Assemblages of the state in the global financial industry: Cross-border investment in Shanghai
  Horacio Ortiz, East China Normal University

• A political economy of financial markets from an options trading room
  Daniel Souleles, Copenhagen Business School

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• Machine learning in finance: The virtue of simplicity in a noisy world
  Kristian Bordo Hansen, Copenhagen Business School

• On the edge of becoming real: How venture capitalists invest in imagined futures of AI
  David Kampmann, London School of Economics

• The new kings of Wall Street: Quant funds and the digital turn in financial innovation
  Andrea Lagna, Loughborough University

• Holding the centre: SWIFT and technological change in cross-border payments
  Gary Robinson and Sabine Dörry, Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research
  Ben Derudder, Ghent University
Panel 4C – FINANCIALISATION OF HOUSING AND INFRASTRUCTURE – AG08 – Chair: Daniel Neilson

- Changing moralities of financial markets and consumer subjects in post-crisis mortgage regulation
  Leonardo Conte and Léna Pellantini-Simányi, University of Lugano

- Transforming social housing into an asset class: The case of the English social housing system
  Richard Goulding, Independent researcher

- Infrastructure as an asset class? Constructing a global market for infrastructure investment after the crisis
  Jenny McArthur, University College London

- Open for business: Why did Spain subject its housing system to financialization?
  Chrysa Papalexatou and Pieter Tuytens, London School of Economics

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- The financial value of safety: Exploring the material and immaterial yield of security
  Nina Boy, University of Warwick

- No price without value: Towards a theory of value and price
  Dave Elder-Vass, Loughborough University

- The surveillance kaleidoscope: Connecting power within financial security
  Pieter Lagerwaard and Tasniem Anwar, University of Amsterdam

- Rewriting the frontiers of finance: A theoretical synthesis and research agenda
  Philip Roscoe, University of St Andrews

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CONTEMPORANEITIES
TIME AND HISTORY IN THE CRITIQUE OF POLITICAL ECONOMY

Peter Osborne, Kingston University London

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- What do stress tests test? On the sociotechnical performance of regulatory science
  Nathan Coombs, University of Edinburgh

- The institutionalization of the shadow banking system at EU level
  Evgenia Ralli, European University Institute

- Towards a differentiated perspective on macroprudential ideas and their implementation
  Matthias Thiemann and Edin Ibrocevic, Sciences Po Paris

- Supervision, macroprudential regulation and the financialisation of insurance companies
  Vitor Boaventura Xavier, Brazilian Institute of Insurance Law

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- Financialisation or marketisation? Fintechs, mobile money and remittances in Ghana
  Vincent Guermond, Queen Mary University of London

- Financial exclusion as a ‘First World Problem’: An analysis of payment systems in Pakistan
  Juvaria Jafri, City, University of London

- Remaking sovereign money: Technology, crisis, and reform in Zimbabwe
  Stefan Mikuska, York University

- Digital money and the two-thirds world: Financial resistance in theory, discourse, and practice
  James Patriquin, Carleton University

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- Undermining financial fraud: How financial elites organize their defense
  Thomas Angeletti, Paris Dauphine University

- Shareholder value and manufactured irresponsibility in corporate governance
  Tim Christiaens, KU Leuven

- The education of a reluctant businessman: Corporate agency, storytelling, and activism
  Stefanie Müller, University of Münster

- The silenced beneficiary: Investigating epistemic injustice in the fiduciary
  Helen Mussell, University of Cambridge
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• Multiple temporalities in the movement of capitalism: The case of the Corporation of London
  Matthew Eagleton-Pierce, School of Oriental and African Studies

• Performing financialization: Optionality, liquidity, and the commodification of beginnings
  Daniel Neilson, Bard College at Simon’s Rock

• Investor relations, forward-looking statements, and imagined futures of European banking after the crisis
  Mariana Santos, Vrije Universiteit Brussel

• Tracing the infrastructure of rational expectations: From imaginary to sociotechnical artefact
  Timo Walter, Graduate Institute Geneva

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  Will Bateman, Australian National University

• Towards a green monetary policy
  Clément Fontan, UC Louvain

• Global banking regulation, justice and the blind spots of Basel III
  Jens van ‘t Klooster, University of Groningen

• Financing the destruction of planet earth: Regulating banks and normative blind spots
  Kinanya Pijl, European University Institute

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• Musk/Bezos
  Lauren Goodlad, Rutgers University

• Cutting edge, cutting off and taking a cut: On the organisation of Libra
  Bill Maurer, University of California Irvine
  Daniel Tischer, University of Bristol

• Amazon: Leading without profiting? A story of accumulation through rentiership and predation
  Cecilia Rikap, Paris Descartes University

• From green to blue? (Response)
  Jesse Ribot, American University
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- **Experimental finance in racial capitalism: From the rust belt to the refugee camp**
  Ali Bhagat, University of Manchester
  Rachel Phillips, Queen’s University at Kingston

- **Complexity, inequality, and anti-Semitism: Conceptualizing contemporary financial power**
  Erin Lockwood, University of California Irvine

- **Finance capital and the ghosts of empire: Imagining a post-colonial political economy**
  Johnna Montgomerie* et al., *King’s College London

- **Extractive temporalities and the City of London**
  Maria Styve, University of Bergen

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