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### APPOINTMENTS

- 2008-Present Columbia University, Graduate School of Business  
Professor of Finance and Economics (2008-Present)  
Stefan H. Robock Professor of Finance and Economics (2009-Present)  
Faculty Director, Columbia Family Business Program (2015 – Present)  
Academic director, Lang Center for Entrepreneurship (2010 – 2012)  
Kravis Professor of Business (2008-2009)
- 2001-2008 New York University Stern School of Business  
Associate Professor of Finance (2007-2008), tenure approved in 2008  
Assistant Professor of Finance (2001-2006)
- 1999-2001 University of Michigan Business School  
Assistant Professor of Finance

### VISITING POSITIONS

- 2000-2001 University of Chicago Graduate School of Business  
Visiting Assistant Professor of Finance

### EDUCATION

- 1994-1999 Harvard University  
Ph.D. in Economics  
A.M. in Economics  
Advisors: Andrei Shleifer, Oliver Hart, and Rafael La Porta
- 1991-1994 Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)  
B.S. in Economics  
B.S. in Mechanical Engineering  
GPA 5.0 (highest possible)
- 1989-1991 Universidad Católica del Perú

### AWARDS AND HONORARY APPOINTMENTS

- Best paper prize at the 16th Annual Conference in Financial Economic Research by Eagle Labs (IDC Herzliya, 2019)  
Bridge Fellow (FY 2018)  
Innovations for Poverty Action's SME initiative, affiliate, 2012 - present  
Rothschild Caesarea Center 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Academic Conference Best Paper Award, 2011  
National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Research Associate (2010 - )  
Center for Contract and Economic Organization (Columbia Law School), Fellow  
National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Faculty Research Fellow (2005 – 2010)

Finalist for the Brattle Group Awards for “Best Paper in Corporate Finance” published in the *Journal of Finance* in 2007  
Jensen Prize (second place) for “Best Paper on Corporate Finance and Organizations” published in the *Journal of Financial Economics* in 2005  
Jensen Prize (second place) for “Best Paper on Corporate Finance and Organizations” published in the *Journal of Financial Economics* in 2002  
Barclays Global Investors Australia Research Award (winner), 2007  
Pacific-Basin Finance Journal Research Excellence Award (Corporate Finance), 2008  
Inaugural Rising Star in Finance, awarded by the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, 2008  
Glucksman Honorable Mention Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance” 2007/8, Stern, NYU  
Glucksman First Place Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance” 2005/6, Stern, NYU  
Glucksman First Place Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance” 2003/4, Stern, NYU  
Fitch Ratings Runner-up Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance” 2002/3, Stern, NYU  
Glucksman Runner-up Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance” 2001/2, Stern, NYU  
Phi Beta Kappa honor society, 1994  
Robert L. Hallock award, 1994

## **PUBLISHED PAPERS**

“Do CEOs matter? Evidence from CEO hospitalization events,” with M. Bennedsen, and F. Pérez-González, forthcoming, *Journal of Finance*.

“Drivers of effort: Evidence from employee absenteeism,” with M. Bennedsen and M. Tsoutsoura, *Journal of Financial Economics* 133, 658-684, 2019

The investment behavior of buyout funds: Theory and evidence,” with A. Ljungqvist and M. Richardson, *Financial Management*, 2019

*Barclays Global Investors Australia Research Award (winner) for 2007*

*Glucksman Honorable Mention Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance,” 2007/8, Stern*

“Dissecting the effect of credit supply on trade: Evidence from matched credit-export data” with D. Paravisini, V. Rappoport, and P. Schnabl, *Review of Economic Studies* 82, 333-359, 2015

*Rothschild Caesarea Center Annual Academic Conference Best Paper Award, 2010*

“The structure and formation of business groups: Evidence from Korean *chaebols*,” with H. Almeida, S. Yong Park, and M. Subrahmanyam, *Journal of Financial Economics* 99, 447-475, 2011

*Pacific-Basin Finance Journal Research Excellence Award (Corporate Finance), 2008*

“Governance problems in closely-held corporations,” with V. Nagar and K. Petroni, *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis* 46, 943-966, 2011

“Inside the family firm: The role of families in succession decisions and performance,” with M. Bennedsen, K. Nielsen, and F. Pérez-González, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 122, 647- 691, 2007

*Glucksman First Place Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance,” 2005/6, Stern, NYU*

*Reprinted in Pindado J. and I. Requejo Eds. Governance in Family Firms, Elgar Publishing Ltd, forthcoming.*

“A theory of pyramidal ownership and family business groups,” with H. Almeida, *Journal of Finance* 61, 2637-2680, 2006

*Finalist for the Brattle Group Awards for “Best Paper in Corporate Finance” published in the Journal of Finance in 2007*

*Gluksman First Place Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance,” 2003/4, Stern, NYU*

“Should business groups be dismantled? The equilibrium costs of efficient internal capital markets,” with H. Almeida, *Journal of Financial Economics* 79, 99-144, 2006

“The effect of external finance on the equilibrium allocation of capital,” with H. Almeida, *Journal of Financial Economics* 75, 133-164, 2005

*Jensen Prize (second place) for “Best Paper on Corporate Finance and Organizations” published in the Journal of Financial Economics in 2005*

*Fitch Ratings Runner-Up Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance,” 2002/3, Stern, NYU*

“Corporate governance, economic entrenchment and growth,” with R. Morck and B. Yeung, *Journal of Economic Literature* 43, 657-722, 2005

*Lead article*

“Investor protection and equity markets,” with A. Shleifer, *Journal of Financial Economics* 66, 3-57, 2002

*Jensen Prize (second place) for “Best Paper on Corporate Finance and Organizations” published in the Journal of Financial Economics in 2002*

*Gluksman Runner-Up Award for “Best Working Paper in Finance,” 2001/2, Stern, NYU*

*Lead article*

“The balance of power in closely held corporations,” with M. Bennesen, *Journal of Financial Economics* 58, 113-140, 2000

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Do firms respond to gender pay gap transparency?” with M. Bennesen, E. Simintzi, and M. Tsousoura, 2018, R&R at the *Journal of Finance*.

“Entrepreneurship and Regional Windfall Gains: Evidence from the Spanish Christmas Lottery,” 2018, with M. V. Bermejo, M. Ferreira, and R. Zambrana, R&R at *Journal of Financial Economics*

“Investment Opportunities and Financing Externalities: Evidence from the Golden Quadrilateral of India,” 2018 with L. Naaraayanan

## **OLD PAPERS**

“A theory of pyramidal ownership,” 1999

## **CASE STUDIES**

“General Motors – Capital structure and the costs of financial distress,” with T. Harris, A. Hertzberg, and D. Paravisini, 2011. Columbia CaseWorks ID# 112101.

“Chocolat Cordon Rouge: A capital budgeting review,” with P. Ingram, 2013. Columbia CaseWorks ID# 140301.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

“Research: Gender Pay Gaps Shrink When Companies Are Required to Disclose Them”, Harvard Business Review Digital Article, January 23, 2019.

“Dissecting the Effect of Credit Supply on Trade,” with D. Paravisini, V. Rappoport, and P. Schnabl, *VoxEU.org*, 27 July 2011

“The governance of family firms,” with M. Bennedsen, and F. Pérez-González, in R. Anderson and K. Baker (Eds), *Corporate Governance*, 2010 (John Wiley & Sons)

Comment on Alexander Aganin and Paolo Volpin’s “History of corporate ownership in Italy,” in Randal Morck (Ed.), *The History of Corporate Governance around the World: Family Business Groups to Professional Managers*, 2005 (University of Chicago Press)

## **GRANTS**

Bridge Fellow Grant 2017 (\$52,000), 2018 (\$20,000)  
Research Grant from Copenhagen University 2017/2019 (\$150,000)  
Jerome Chazen Institute Research Grant 2017/2018 (\$4,500)  
Citi-IPA Financial Capability Fund Research Preparation Grant, 2013 (\$15,000)  
Grant from Columbia GSB Dean's Office for Research in Entrepreneurship (\$30,000)  
Jerome A. Chazen Institute Research Grant 2010/2011 (\$12,000)  
Berkley-Kauffman Research Grant for research on family firms, 2007/2008, Stern, NYU  
Danish Social Science Research Foundation Grant, "Family firms' financing and performance,"  
with M. Bennedsen and F. Pérez-González, 2007-2009, DKK\$ 4 million (US\$700,000)  
Economic Policy Research Foundation Grant, "Families and firms: The impact of family risk and  
family organization on performance of closely held corporations," with M. Bennedsen and F. Pérez-  
González, DKK\$ 400,000 (US\$70,000)  
Berkley-Kauffman Research Grant for research on family firms, 2006/2007, Stern, NYU  
Berkley-Kauffman Research Grant for research on family firms, 2005/2006, Stern, NYU  
Danish Social Science Research Foundation Grant, "Corporate governance in firms with  
concentrated ownership" (with M. Bennedsen), 2003-2006  
Aspen Institute Grant, "The link between ownership structures and financial market outcomes  
when institutional development is limited" with H. Almeida, 2005  
Harvard University Dissertation Completion Fellowship, 1998-1999  
Aaron B. Salant Fellowship in Economics, 1994-1995

## **PRESENTATIONS**

### Seminar presentations

University of Chicago (Booth x3), Stanford (GSB), University of California at Berkeley (Haas),  
Columbia University (GSB), Northwestern University (Kellogg x2), Yale University, Massachusetts  
Institute of Technology (Sloan x2), Harvard Law School, Harvard Business School (x2), UCLA,  
New York University (Stern), University of Pennsylvania (Wharton), Duke University (Fuqua),  
Stockholm School of Economics, University of Texas at Austin, University of Wisconsin Business  
School, Temple University, Brown University (Economics), Dartmouth (Tuck), University of  
Maryland (Smith x2), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Business), Rutgers University  
(Business x2), University of Minnesota (Carlson), London Business School, London School of  
Economics, University of California at San Diego, University of Maryland (Smith), University of  
Amsterdam, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill (Kenan Flagler), University of Michigan  
(Business x3), Copenhagen University (Economics), Instituto de Empresa (Madrid, X2),  
Universidad Carlos III (Business), Fordham, De Paul, Eccles School of Business (Utah), UBC  
Sauder, Yeshiva Sy Sims School of Business, University of Illinois at Chicago, Norwegian  
Business School, Norwegian School of Economics, Arizona State University, Edinburgh  
University, Rice University

### Conference presentations

WFA (2008, 2007, 2005, 2004, 2003, 2001), AFA (2008 x2, 2005 x2, 2002), NBER Corporate  
Finance Summer Institute (2008, 2000) NBER Conference Finance Meetings (2007), NBER's New  
World of Private Equity Conference (2007), NBER Empirical Personnel Economics Summer  
Institute (2007), EFA (2008), Conference on the internal governance of firms (LSE), Rising Stars  
Conference, NYU/Penn Conference on Law and Finance, Conference on the Governance of  
Family/Unlisted Firms (Switzerland), CEPR Corporate Governance Meetings (Gerzensee),  
Conference on Corporate Governance of Closely Held Firms (Copenhagen), CIFRA-Wharton  
Workshop in Corporate Finance Theory (invited lecture on capital reallocation), Global Scholars

Network Conference (Paris), Conference on Entry, Entrepreneurship and Financial Development (The World Bank), Five Star Conference (Stern), International Research Conference (Harvard Business School), UNC-Duke Conference on Corporate Finance, Conference on Family Firms and Corporate Governance (ECGI), Conference on Corporate Governance (University of Texas at Austin), Joint NYU-Columbia seminar, Texas Finance Festival, Conference on the Politics of Corporate Governance (University of California, Irvine), Mini-Conference in Corporate Governance (University of Michigan), Latin America Meeting of the Econometric Society (1999), International Accounting Research Symposium (2012, 2013), 9<sup>th</sup> CSEF-IGIER Conference (2013 keynote speaker), NBER entrepreneurship meetings (Dec 2016), Fifth CEPR Workshop on Incentives, Management and Organisation (2016), Financial Management Association, Mexico City 2017, Society of Financial Studies Cavalvade (2017), Second Tel Aviv Family Business Research Conference (2017), EFMA (2017), 25th Finance Forum, Barcelona Spain (2017), The Empirical Management Conference at the World Bank (2017), 27th Mitsui Finance (2017) Symposium, Financial Intermediation Research Society (2019), RCFS/RAPS Conference at Baha Mar (2019).

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Conference organizer	FMA Latin American (Bogotá 2019) New Ideas in Family Business (New York, 2018; Insead, 2019) NBER Corporate Finance Meetings (Fall 2005) Conference on Corporate Governance of Closely Held Firms (Copenhagen, 2005)
Program committees	AFA (2007, 2010), WFA (2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013), FMA (2006, 2008, 2009), EFMA (2007, 2008, 2009, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019), FIRS (2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019), EFA (2009, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014), 4th Edinburgh Conference (2017), MFA (2018)
Session chair	AFA (2007, 2010), AFE (2014), Gerzensee (Focus Session Organizer), Colorado Finance Summit (2018)
Discussions	American Finance Association (2015, 2014, 2011, 2009, x2 in 2005, 2003, 2002), NYU/Penn Conference in Law and Finance (2009, 2014), Conference on Financial Economics and Accounting (2007), Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (2007), Conference on Corporate Governance of Closely Held Firms (Copenhagen, 2005), Conference on Entry, Entrepreneurship and Financial Development (The World Bank, 2005), NBER conference on the History of Corporate Ownership (2003), NBER Summer Institute (2002), NYU – Columbia Joint Seminar (2002), Economics and Accounting Conference (University of Michigan, 2000), NBER Entrepreneurship Group (2012), American Law and Economics Association (2015), Society of Financial Studies Cavalvade (2017), EFMA (2017)), 25th Finance Forum Barcelona Spain (2017), Red Rock Conference (2018)
Ad hoc referee	QJE, AER, JPE, RES, JF, JFE, RFS, RoF, Journal of Economic Growth, JB, Financial Management, European Financial Management, Economic Journal, Journal of Developmental Economics, Journal of International Business Studies, Multinational Finance Journal, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy, Economic Letters
Other	American Finance Association Nominating Committee 2011

## **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

### Chair

Melina Papoutsis (first job: ECB)  
Pablo Stlutzky (first job: Maryland)  
Fangzhou Shi  
Margarita Tsoutsoura (first appointment: Chicago Booth)  
Andres Liberman (first appointment: NYU Stern)

### Committee member

Rebecca DeSimone  
Danqing Mei  
Juanita Gonzalez (first appointment: LSE)  
Shinjinee Chattopadhyay  
Olga Kuzmina (first appointment: New Economic School, Moscow)  
Xavier Giroud (first appointment MIT)  
Jongsub Lee (first appointment University of Florida)  
Hae Jin Chung  
Victoria Ivashina (first appointment: HBS)  
Jason Wei (first appointment: New York Fed)  
Vi nay Nair (first appointment: Wharton)  
Lubomir Litov (first appointment: Washington University)  
Yang Lu  
Nikolay Halov (first appointment: UC San Diego School of Management)  
Anzhela Knyazeva (first appointment: University of Rochester (Simon))  
Diana Knyazeva (first appointment: University of Rochester (Simon))

### Undergraduate thesis advisor

Hallvard Omholt  
Aditi Talreja  
Rinky Patel

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Equity Markets (Debevoise program)  
Corporate Finance, Columbia Business School Executive Education (Deutsche Bank Associates Program, Columbia Management Institute, ECLA)  
Corporate Finance, Columbia Business School MBA program  
Corporate Finance, Columbia Business School EMBA program  
International Corporate Finance, PhD level, Stern School of Business, NYU  
Financial Theory I (2 weeks on corporate finance), PhD Level, Stern School of Business, NYU  
Corporate Finance, Executive MBA program, Stern School of Business, NYU  
Corporate Finance, MBA level, Stern School of Business, NYU  
Corporate Finance, MBA level, Graduate School of Business, University of Chicago  
Corporate Financial Policy, MBA level, University of Michigan Business School

## **MEDIA**

Bloomberg, December 5, 2019, “Making Salary Information Public Helps Close the Gender Pay Gap.”

The Globes, Israeli business newspaper (July 13, 2017)

Business Insider and Market Place (Public Radio) (June 15, 2016) “Business schools led the way in promoting a commonly held myth — and now they’re trying to undo that,” by Dan Bobkoff

Market Watch (February 25, 2011) “Market Efficiency and Apple,” by Mark Hulbert  
(<http://www.marketwatch.com/story/the-impact-of-ceo-deaths-2011-02-25>)

*Haarertz* (Israel), June 10, 2009, Interview with Stanley Fischer, governor of the Bank of Israel  
(Fischer cites article “Corporate governance, economic entrenchment, and growth”).

*The Economist*, February 12, 2009, “Pharaoh Capitalism: The cost and benefits of “pyramid”  
business groups” (cites article “Corporate governance, economic entrenchment, and growth”).

*Wall Street Journal*, front page, September 5, 2007, “Personal measure: Scholars link success of  
firms to lives of CEOs – A family death hurts, studies say, as does buying a mansion” by Mark  
Maremont. (article partially based on “Do CEOs matter?”) Also in: *Wall Street Journal Europe*,  
September 6, 2007.

*Milano Finanza*, “In casa stat virtus” September 8, 2007

*Financial Times Deutschland*, September 6, 2007, “Mein haus, mein jet, meine tote  
schwiegermutter“ by Tobias Bayer

*Wall Street Journal online*, front page, February 27, 2007, “Is an economist qualified to solve the  
puzzle of autism?” by Mark Whitehouse (cites “Inside the family firm: The role of families in  
succession decisions and performance” as an example of the use of instrumental variables in  
economic research)

*Frankfurter Allgemeine Zeitung* (Germany), June 27, 2007, “Kommt es wirklich auf den Chef an? ”  
by Hanno Beck (article based on “Do CEOs matter?”)

*The Financial Times*, February 4, 2007, “Decline sets in at the conglomerate,” by Francesco  
Guerrera (cites research on internal capital markets).

*ErhvervsBladet* (Denmark), November 23, 2006, “Flere døtre sætter sig i chefstolen” and  
“Arvinger mangler ledelseskompeterer,” Vibeke L. Svansø

*Freakonomics Blog*, October 24, 2006, “Should the founder’s son be the C.E.O.?” by Stephen  
Dubner

*Slate*, July 28, 2006, “Meet my son, your new CEO,” (article based on “Inside the family firm: The  
role of families in succession decisions and performance”)

*Børsen* (Denmark), June 20, 2005, “Børnene kører familievirksomheder i sænk,” by Kasper  
Kronenberg

*The NBER digest*, March 2005 (Summarizes “Corporate governance, economic entrenchment, and  
growth”)

*The Atlantic Monthly*, “All in the family,” November 2004 (Summarizes “Corporate governance,  
economic entrenchment, and growth”)

## **PERSONAL**

Born August, 1971 in Lima, Peru.  
Two children. Spanish native speaker.

## **OUTSIDE ACTIVITIES**

### Paid speeches

The Norwegian Society of Financial Analysts

### Board memberships

Pevisa, Manufacturing firm

### Expert witness (by law firm)



