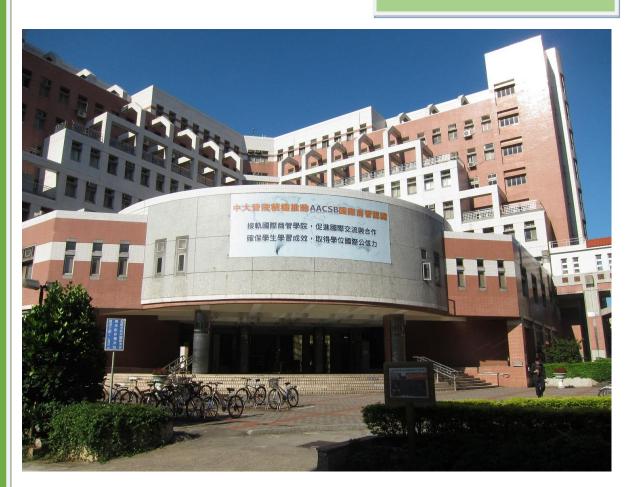
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Chair

# Professor S. Ghon Rhee

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#### Academic Positions (at University of Hawaii)

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Executive Director Asia-Pacific Financial Markets Research Center

Shidler College of Business, University of Hawai'i

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K. J. Luke Distinguished Professor of International Banking and Finance

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Ph.D., Finance, Graduate School, The Ohio State University

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Date: Tuesday December 20, 2022

~Agenda~

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Time	Session Information		
	Topic: Instrumented Expected Profitability Premium		
	Keynote Speaker: Professor K.C. John Wei, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University,		
10:00-11:40	HK (On-line)		
	Paper Link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/9160oY">https://reurl.cc/9160oY</a>		
	Webex link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/OE5QR3">https://reurl.cc/OE5QR3</a>		
11:40-13:40	Lunch Time		
	Research Title: The Final Settlement Price Manipulation: Evidence of TAIEX futures		
	and options		
Session 1	Presenter: Professor Pei-Fang Hsieh, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan		
13:40-14:20	Discussant: Professor Pei-Shih Weng, National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan		
	Paper Link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/qZnadq">https://reurl.cc/qZnadq</a>		
	Webex link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/10XlzD">https://reurl.cc/10XlzD</a>		
14:20-14:30	Tea & Coffee Time		
	Research Title: New Product Introductions following Seasoned Equity Offerings		
	Presenter: Jian-Jia Chiou, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore		
Session 2	Discussant: Professor Chih-Yung Lin, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University,		
14:30-15:10	Taiwan		
	Paper Link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/GX5gry">https://reurl.cc/GX5gry</a>		
	Webex link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/LX5eq4">https://reurl.cc/LX5eq4</a>		
15:10-15:20	Break Time		
	Research Title: Do Cryptocurrency Hedge Funds Outperform Stocks and Bonds for		
	Most Risk-Averse Investors		
Session 3	Presenter: Han-Yun Chen, National Central University, Taiwan		
15:20-16:00	Discussant: Professor Dien Giau Bui (Richard), Yuan Ze University, Taiwan		
	Paper Link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/MX6WAk">https://reurl.cc/MX6WAk</a>		
	Webex link: <a href="https://reurl.cc/ymDWbO">https://reurl.cc/ymDWbO</a>		

#### **Afternoon sessions:**

Presentation: 25 minutes Discussion: 10 minutes Q&A: 5 minutes

**Co-Organizers:** Po-Hsin Ho (NCU)

	Keynote Speaker
Professor K.C.	John Wei, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, HK
Paper Link	https://reurl.cc/9160oY

#### **Instrumented Expected Profitability Premium**

#### **Abstract**

Using instrumented principal component analysis (IPCA), we estimate the expected profitability from a conditional latent-factor model that depends on observable firm characteristics. The expected profitability predictors generated by the model are superior in forecasting future profitability outcomes as well as analyst forecast errors. Our estimates of expected profitability command a sizable return premium and largely subsume the profitability premium documented in the literature. Moreover, the expected profitability estimates in aggregate are related to future market returns and macroeconomic activities. An IPCA composite predictor aggregated from various expected profitability measures can effectively capture the expected profitability premium.

10:00-11:40

*Keywords*: Instrumented expectation; Expected profitability premium; Instrumented principal component analysis (IPCA)

JEL Classification: G11; G12; G14; G15; G41



### Keynote Speaker

# Professor K. C. John Wei

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2019-present Associate Dean, Faculty of Business, Hong Kong Polytechnic

University

2016-present Chair Professor of Financial Economics, School of Accounting and

Finance, Faculty of Business, Hong Kong Polytechnic University

2016–present Professor Emeritus, Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

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Ph.D., Finance, Illinois at Urbana-Champaign University

M.S., Finance, National Chengchi University

B.E., Industrial Management, National Taiwan University of Science and Technology

#### **Honors**

- Ranked No. 6 with PolyU as affiliated institution in the top JCF authors between 1994 and 2018 (Source: Baker, Kumar, and Pattnaik, 2021, "Twenty-five years of the Journal of Corporate Finance: A scientometric analysis," *Journal of Corporate Finance* 66 (February), 101572.
- Frequent Award Winner since the first conference at the 2020 Conference on the Theories and Practices of Securities and Financial Markets (SFM),
   Kaohsiung, Taiwan, December 11-12, 2020.



	Presenter		
Professor Pei-	Fang Hsieh, National Tsing Hua University, Taiwan		
Discussant			
Professor Pei-Shih Weng, National Sun Yat-sen University, Taiwan			
Paper Link	https://reurl.cc/qZnadq		

# The Final Settlement Price Manipulation: Evidence of TAIEX futures and options

#### **Abstract**

Session 1 13:40-14:20 This study investigates the institutional investors who hold nonzero synchronous positions in both derivative and underlying stocks to increase contract payoffs. We show that the potential manipulators settle or offset their TAIEX futures and options and simultaneously trade the constituent stocks particular the top 10 weighted stocks of TAIEX at the futures and option expiration date. The evidence suggests that foreign institutional investors who trade in the stock market synchronously have a positive incremental value for their settlement and offset position. At settlement, the percentage of positive incremental value of their settled and offset futures and options is more than 50% higher than random. The average NT\$1 million buy-sell dollar imbalance of foreign institutional investors moves the TAIEX price by 250 basis points. These results remain robust following the change in the settlement price determination rule at the end of 2008.

Keywords: settlement price manipulation, futures, options, expiration date



#### Presenter

# Professor Pei-Fang Hsieh

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Associate Professor, Department of Quantitative Finance, College of Technology Management, National Tsing Hua University

#### Education

2004–2009 Ph.D., Finance, National Central University

2000–2002 M.A., Finance, National Central University

1996–2000 B.A., International Trade, Tunghai University

#### Research Interest

Effective market topics and information content in derivative market, empirical studies for derivative market, corporate finance topics for derivative market

#### **Publications**

Professor Hsieh has published several papers in leading academic journals, including Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis, Journal of Banking Finance, Journal of Financial Markets, Pacific-Basin Finance Journal, etc.





# Discussant Professor Pei-Shih Weng

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2005–2011 Ph.D., Finance, National Central University

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#### Research Interests

Behavioral finance (related to individual investors), corporate governance, market microstructure, investments, CSR and green finance

#### **Publications**

Professor Weng has published several papers in leading academic journals, including Journal of Banking Finance, Journal of Financial Markets, Journal of Futures Markets, Pacific-Basin Finance Journal, etc.



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	Discussant			
	Professor Chih-Yung Lin, National Yang Ming Chiao Tung University, Taiwan			
	Paper Link	https://reurl.cc/GX5gry		

### New Product Introductions following Seasoned Equity Offerings

#### **Abstract**

Session 2 14:30-15:10 This study provides empirical evidence showing that firms have larger new product introductions (NPIs) following seasoned equity offerings (SEOs) than non-issuing counterparts in support of the investment opportunity hypothesis. We argue that SEOs help firms mitigate underinvestment problem by capturing investment opportunities. Amid innovation process that is full of uncertainty, SEO proceeds are positively associated with increase in NPIs, especially for progressive products. In line with previous studies, we do observe significant increases in corporate investment and patenting as well. Additionally, SEO firms with more co-opted directors experience larger post-issue NPIs, suggesting that failure tolerance facilitates more new product innovation after financing. However, we do not find strong evidence upon innovation efficiency and product quality.

*Keywords*: Seasoned equity offerings, corporate innovation, product announcements, investment financing, real effects

JEL Classification: G14, G31, G32



#### Presenter

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2019–present Ph.D., Candidate, Banking and Finance, Nanyang Technological University

2017–2019 M.S., Finance, National Central University

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#### Research Interests

Empirical Corporate Finance, Corporate Governance, Institutional Investors, Behavioral Finance

#### **Publications**

- "A Taxonomy of Individual Liquidity Provision: Evidence from the Taiwan Stock Exchange ", 2020, Finance Research Letters(SSCI), with Xiaozhou Zhou and Chang Chan.
- "The Impact of Mandatory Corporate Social Responsibility Reporting on Liquidity and Risk ", 2021, Journal of Accounting Review, with Chang Chan, Chao-Hung Huang, and Wen-Chyan Ke.





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#### Research Interests

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#### **Publications**

Professor Lin has published several papers in leading academic journals, including Journal of Financial Economics, Journal of Banking Finance, Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, Journal of Financial Intermediation, Journal of Corporate Finance, Journal of Empirical Finance, Journal of International Money and Finance, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Business Finance and Accounting, Journal of Financial Stability, Pacific-Basin Finance Journal, etc.



		Presenter	
	Han-Yu	n Chen, National Central University, Taiwan	
	Discussant  Professor Dien Giau Bui (Richard), Yuan Ze University, Taiwan		
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#### Do Cryptocurrency Hedge Funds Outperform Stocks and Bonds for Most Risk-Averse Investors

#### **Abstract**

Session 3 15:20-16:00 The dramatic growth of digital markets has attracted hedge funds to invest in cryptocurrencies as one of the major assets. However, the high risk of such investment could suppress risk-averse investors' holdings of them. Our paper seeks to evaluate the performance of cryptocurrency hedge funds from the risk-averse investors' point of view. We adopt a non-parametric and utility-based measure, almost stochastic dominance, to compare the performance of cryptocurrency hedge funds with that of stocks and bonds. We find that for most risk-averse investors, cryptocurrency hedge funds dominate the S&P 500 index, short-term bonds, as well

as long-term bonds over 1- to 3-year investment horizons. In a diversified portfolio setting, we find that a high investment weight on cryptocurrency hedge funds is less likely to be dominated even over a short-term investment horizon. The analysis of abnormal returns suggests that most risk-averse investors would prefer a random choice of cryptocurrency hedge funds over the choice of the S&P 500 index.

*Keywords:* Cryptocurrency, hedge funds, almost stochastic dominance, abnormal return, asset allocation

JEL classification: G11, G23

#### Presenter

## Han-Yun Chen

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2015–2017 M.A., Risk Management and Insurance, Feng Chia University

#### Research Interests

Insurance, Risk Theory, Investment

#### **Working Papers**

- " Do Cryptocurrency Hedge Funds Outperform Stocks and Bonds for Risk-Averse Investors?", with R.J. Huang
- The Relationship between Underwriting Information and Insurers'
   Profitability Evidence from Automobile Physical Damage Insurance in Taiwan
   with Liu, Chun-Ting, C.H. Chang,

#### International Conference

Chen, H.H., R.J. Huang, 2022, Do Cryptocurrency Hedge Funds Outperform
 Stocks and Bonds for Risk-Averse Investors? The 49th Seminar of the European
 Group of Risk and Insurance Economists, Vienna, Austria.



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## Professor Dien Giau Bui (Richard)

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#### **Publications**

Professor Bui has published several papers in leading academic journals, including Journal of Banking Finance, Journal of Empirical Finance, Journal of International Money and Finance, Journal of Financial Stability, etc.

