

Research Methods II: Development Finance (Summer 2018)

List of seminar topics

1. Agricultural Finance: Financial services needs of smallholder farmers in Africa (Weber)

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Marr, A., Winkel, A., van Asseldonk, M., Lensink, R., & Bulte, E. (2016). Adoption and impact of index-insurance and credit for smallholder farmers in developing countries: A systematic review. *Agricultural Finance Review*, 76(1), 94-118.

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2. Integrating climate risk mitigation and social security for sustainable development (Meyer)

Browne, E. (2014). Social protection, climate change adaptation and disaster risk reduction (Rapid Literature Review.) Birmingham, UK: GSDRC, University of Birmingham.

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3. Agricultural insurance for development: Empirical evidence and regulatory concerns (Meyer)

Jensen, N., & Barrett, C. (2016). Agricultural index insurance for development. *Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy*, 39(2), 199-219.

Cole, S., Giné, X., & Vickery, J. (2017). How does risk management influence production decisions? Evidence from a field experiment. *The Review of Financial Studies*, 30(6), 1935-1970.

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G20 Green Finance Study Group (2016), G20 Green Finance Synthesis Report, <http://unepinquiry.org/g20greenfinancerepositoryeng>

Perez, O. (2007), The New Universe of Green Finance: From Self-Regulation to Multi-Polar Governance, Bar-Ilan University Public Law and Legal Theory Working Paper No. 07-3

5. Behavioural insights and financial inclusion (Weber)

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Ghosh, S., & Vinod, D. (2017). What constrains financial inclusion for women? Evidence from Indian micro data. *World Development*, 92, 60-81.

6. Evaluating Approaches to Blended Finance (Kähler)

Pereira, J. (2017), *Blended Finance: What it is, how it works and how it is used*, Oxfam International

Meeks, P. (2017), *Mixed Messages: The Rhetorics and the Reality of Using Blended Finance to 'Leave No-one Behind'*, Eurodad

7. Digital Financial Services (Kähler)

Patwardhan, A. (2017), *Financial Inclusion in the Digital Age*, in: D. Lee and R.H. Deng (eds.). *Handbook of Blockchain, Digital Finance, and Inclusion*, Vol. 1, Academic Press, 2018, 57-89

Scott, B. (2016), *How Can Cryptocurrency and Blockchain Technology Play a Role in Building Social and Solidarity Finance?* UNIRISD working paper 2016-1

8. Financial services for forcibly displaced persons (Meyer)

Easton-Calabria, E., & Omata, N. (2016). *Micro-finance in refugee contexts: Current scholarship and research gaps*. RSC Working Papers Series 116). Oxford, UK.: Refugee Studies Centre.:

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9. Employment and financial systems development (Weber)

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10. The Potential of Venture Capital in Development Cooperation (Wagner)

Samila, S., & Sorenson, O. (2011). Venture capital, entrepreneurship, and economic growth. *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 93(1), 338-349.

Divakaran, S., McGinnis, P. and Shariff, M. (2014). *Private Equity and Venture Capital in SMEs in Developing Countries: The Role for Technical Assistance*. The World Bank Economic Review. Policy Research Working Paper 6827.

11. The Potential of Trade Finance for Africa's Economic Development (Wagner)

Fisman, R., & Love, I. (2003). Trade credit, financial intermediary development, and industry growth. *The Journal of Finance*, 58(1), 353-374.

Bank of International Settlements. (2014). *Trade finance: Developments and issues*. CGFS Publications No. 50. Committee on the Global Financial System (CGFS).

12. Aid Effectiveness on the Regional Level (Wagner)

Dreher, A., & Lohmann, S. (2015). Aid and growth at the regional level. *Oxford Review of Economic Policy*, 31(3-4), 420-446.

Picciotto, R. (2009). Development Effectiveness: An Evaluation Perspective. In: Mavrotas, G. and McGillivray, M. (eds). *Development Aid*. Studies in Development Economics and Policy. Palgrave Macmillan, London.