SEBASTIAN RÖTZER

—BUILDING INSIGHT FROM DATA— PhD Researcher in Financial Economics

CONTACT INFORMATION

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

- Male (he/his/him), unmarried, no children
- Born 01/12/1986 (35 y/o) in Kittsee, Austria
- Austrian citizenship, Swiss working permit B
- German, English, (French)

EDUCATION

PhD program in Financial Economics

Université de Lausanne & Swiss Finance Institute

09/2016 - Present

Lausanne, Switzerland

- Focus on policy relevant questions in empirical corporate finance and takeover contest research by means of applied game theory, simulation studies and advanced econometric analysis
- Research work presented at the Swiss Finance Institute Research Days 2020
- Graduation expected by summer 2022

Visiting PhD Student

Tilburg University

01/2016 - 08/2016

Tilburg, The Netherlands

04/2014 - 08/2016 Vienna, Austria

Doctoral program in Social and Economic Sciences

Vienna University of Technology

- · Focus on valuation and optimal exercise of real options portfolios by means of simulation and numerical techniques for the solution of partial differential equations
- Research work presented at the Real Options Conference 2015, the Doctoral Student Consortium of the Financial Management Association European Conference 2015 and the 29^{th} workshop of the Austrian Working Group on Banking and Finance
- Program abandoned in favor of the PhD program at Université de Lausanne

MSc in Mechanical Engineering - Management

Vienna University of Technology

10/2011 - 10/2013

Vienna, Austria

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- · Major fields of study in
 - * Factory planning, industrial engineering and discrete event simulation
 - * Process- and quality management and manufacturing technology
- Graduation with honors

Erasmus Exchange Student	01/2011 - 06/2011
Chalmers University of Technology	Gothenburg, Sweden
BSc in Mechanical Engineering - Management	10/2007 - 12/2010
Vienna University of Technology	Vienna, Austria
Engineering College in Electronics	09/2001 - 06/2006

Federal Secondary College of Engineering HTL Ottakring

· Graduation with honors

REFERENCES

- Prof. Theodosios Dimopoulos Department of Finance Université de Lausanne 1015 Lausanne, Switzerland
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WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate AssistantDepartment of Finance, Université de Lausanne

09/2017 - Present
Lausanne, Switzerland

- Research assistance; contributing in activities as
 - * Data gathering, management and econometric analysis
 - * Development and evaluation of economic models
 - * Parameter estimation by simulation and numerical integration
 - · Teaching assistance; supporting courses in the fields of
 - * 2021/2022 Financial markets, Valuation
 - * 2020/2021 Corporate finance, Alternative investments
 - * 2019/2020 Corporate finance, Alternative investments
 - * 2018/2019 Corporate finance, Private equity & venture capital
 - * 2017/2018 Programming, Real estate investments

Project Associate 01/2014 - 12/2015

Institute of Management Science, Vienna University of Technology

Vienna, Austria

• Conceptualization and implementation of an linear programming model for the estimation and minimization of CO2 emissions subject to cost constraints in collaboration with Magna International

Student Assistant 08/2011 - 05/2013

Institute of Manufacturing Technology, Vienna University of Technology

Vienna, Austria

- · Metrological analysis of tool cutting surfaces
- Programming of tooling and sensor devices

Internship, Accounting & SAP	07/2011 - 08/2011
RAG Austria AG	Vienna, Austria
	11 /2000 12 /2010

Case Reviewer for Medication Accounting SVA d. gewerblichen Wirtschaft 11/2008 - 12/2010 Vienna, Austria

Internship, Mechanical Systems07/2008 - 08/2008Otis Aufzüge GmbHVienna, Austria

Logistics & Supply Chain Worker 03/2007 - 06/2007

Essenzenfabrik Josef Wurth Vienna, Austria

Internship, Electrical Systems07/2005 - 08/2005Boeralis Polyolefine AGSchwechat-Mannswörth, Austria

Internship, IT-Services

07/2003 - 09/2003

Pioneer Hy-bred Services GmbH

Parndorf, Austria

RESEARCH

Do tests of the common ownership hypothesis mean what they say? Work in progress

Do common owners shirk from improving portfolio firms? Work in progress

Is higher quality physical capital always more desirable? Work in progress

Joint work with Prof. Thomas Dangl and Prof. Hamed Ghoddusi

Are termination fees innocuous? Work in progress

Joint work with Prof. Theodosios Dimopoulos

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

2016	Swiss Finance Institute PhD scholarship
2016	Fellow of the Austrian Federation of the Industries excellence scholarship
2016	Fellow of the Austrian federal government's Marietta Blau scholarship
2014	Industrial Management Thesis Award 2014
2013	Merit scholarship of the Vienna University of Technology
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SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS

Languages	German (native), English (fluent/C1+), French (basic/A2)
Software	Python, R, Stata, SQL, Mathematica, Office, LaTex, Linux
Certifications	Basic MTM Qualification (MTM-1, UAS), Six-Sigma Yellow Belt

HOBBIES & TRIVIA

Finance	I am always striving for a better risk-return trade-off for my portfolio.	
	Strong interest in optimization, simulation and bootstrap based techniques.	
Tech	Daily user of Debian Linux since 2013. I run a cloud server since 2015.	
Sports	I trained at a Capoeira association for 7 years during my studies.	

Today I focus bouldering, endurance training and some weight lifting.

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