

# FLORIAN WEIGERT

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EMPLOYMENT

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**University of Neuchâtel**, Switzerland Feb. 2020 - present  
Full Professor of Financial Risk Management

- Teaching on the Master and Bachelor Level
- Supervision of Master and Bachelor Theses

**University of St. Gallen**, Switzerland Feb. 2014 - Jan. 2020  
Assistant Professor of Finance

- Executive Director of the Master in Banking and Finance (MBF) Program
- Teaching on the Master and Ph.D. Level, Executive Education

## VISITING RESEARCH POSITIONS

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**New York University**, USA Nov. 2019 - Dec. 2010  
Visiting Scholar at the Stern School of Business

**Georgetown University**, USA Apr. 2017  
Visiting Scholar at the McDonough School of Business

**Georgia State University**, USA Apr. 2013 - May 2013  
Visiting Scholar at the Robinson College of Business

**University of Texas at Austin**, USA Jan. 2011 - May 2011  
Visiting Scholar at the McCombs School of Business

## EDUCATION

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**University of St. Gallen**, Switzerland Feb. 2014 - Jan. 2020  
Venia Legendi in Finance

- Habilitation: 'Essays on Hedge Funds, Mutual Funds, Asset Pricing, and Banks'

**University of Mannheim**, Germany Aug. 2009 - Jan. 2014  
Ph.D. Student of the Doctoral Program in Finance (CDSB)

- Dissertation: 'Crash Aversion and Extreme Dependence Structures in Asset Pricing'
- Evaluation: Summa Cum Laude (Excellent)

**University of Erlangen-Nuremberg**, Germany Sep. 2002 - Jul. 2008  
Diploma in Financial Mathematics (M.Sc. equivalent)

- GPA: 1,3 (Excellent) (Range: 1.0 (Best) - 5.0 (Worst))
- Exchange Year: University of Bath (UK), School of Management

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Empirical Asset Pricing, Hedge Funds, Mutual Funds, Behavioral Finance

## PUBLICATIONS

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**‘Cash Holdings of European Mutual Funds’** (with Frank Graef, Pascal Vogt, and Volker Vonhoff), *Finance Research Letters*, 29, 2019, pp.285-291

**‘Crash Sensitivity and the Cross-Section of Expected Stock Returns’** (with Foussemi Chabi-Yo, and Stefan Ruenzi), *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, 53(3), 2018, pp. 1059-1100

**‘Momentum and Crash Sensitivity’** (with Stefan Ruenzi), *Economics Letters*, 165, 2018, pp. 77-81

**‘Tail Risk in Hedge Funds: A Unique View from Portfolio Holdings’** (with Vikas Agarwal, and Stefan Ruenzi), *Journal of Financial Economics*, 125(3), 2017, 610-636

**‘Does Foreign Information Predict the Returns of Multinational Firms Worldwide?’** (with Christian Finke), *Review of Finance*, 21(6), 2017, pp. 2199-2248

**‘Crash Aversion and the Cross-Section of Expected Stock Returns Worldwide’**, *Review of Asset Pricing Studies*, 6(1), 2016, pp. 135-178

**‘Does Female Management Representation Influence Firm Performance? Evidence from Luxembourg banks’** (with Regina M. Reinert, and Christoph H. Winnefeld), *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*, 30(2), 2016, pp. 113-136

**‘An Empirical Comparison of Multivariate Copula Models’** (with Matthias Fischer, Christian Koeck, and Stephan Schlueter), *Quantitative Finance*, 9(7), 2009, pp. 839-854

## WORKING PAPERS

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**‘Extreme Downside Liquidity Risk’** (with Stefan Ruenzi, and Michael Ungeheuer)

Revise & Resubmit (2nd Round) at the Journal of Banking & Finance

2012 EEA Conference, 2012 Erasmus Liquidity Conference, 2013 EFA Conference, 2013 FMA Conference, 2013 Australasian Finance and Banking Conference Paper

**‘Do Mutual Funds Outperform in Recessions? International (Counter-) Evidence’** (with Christopher Fink, and Katharina Raatz)

Reject & Resubmit (1st Round) at the Review of Finance

2014 European FMA Conference, 2014 German Finance Conference, 2014 SGF Conference, 2015 Cologne Asset Management Colloquium Paper

**‘The Impact of Regulatory Stress Testing on Bank’s Equity and CDS Performance’** (with Lukas Ahnert, Pascal Vogt, and Volker Vonhoff)

Revise & Resubmit (2nd Round) at European Financial Management

2018 FEBS Conference Paper

## WORKING PAPERS (CONTINUED)

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**‘Unobserved Performance of Hedge Funds’** (with Vikas Agarwal and Stefan Ruenzi)

2018 Paris HF & PE Conference, 2018 Cambridge FMA Consortium, 2018 SGF Conference, 2018 Rotterdam AM Conference, 2019 FIRS Conference, 2020 AFA Conference Paper

**‘Risk Factor Exposure Variation and Mutual Fund Performance’** (with Manuel Ammann and Sebastian Fischer)

2017 DGF Conference, 2018 Cologne Asset Management Colloquium, 2018 Lancaster Conference, 2019 SGF Conference Paper

**‘Multivariate Crash Risk’** (with Fousseni Chabi-Yo and Markus Huggenberger)

2017 DGF Conference, 2019 Cologne Asset Management Colloquium, 2019 SoFie Conference, 2019 CIFIC Paper

**‘Have Hedge Funds Solved the Idiosyncratic Volatility Puzzle?’** (with Turan Bali)

2019 Cologne Asset Management Colloquium Paper

## PRIZES AND GRANTS

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SNF Research Grant for the Research Visit at New York University (2019, Amount: 7.200 CHF)

Top Publication Grant from the University of St. Gallen (2018, Amount: 30.000 CHF)

Best Paper Award for the article **‘Tail Risk in Hedge Funds: A Unique View from Portfolio Holdings’** from the *Bundesverband Alternative Investments*, 2017

Best Paper Award for the article **‘Does Female Management Influence Firm Performance? Evidence From Luxembourg Banks’** in *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*, 2016

## BOOK REVIEWS

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Book Review on **‘Investing in Hedge Funds’** (Turan Bali, Yigit Atilgan, and Ozgur Demirtas), *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*, 31(1), 2017, pp. 113-115

Book Review on **‘Hedge Fund Investing’** (Kevin R. Mirabile), *Financial Markets and Portfolio Management*, 28(4), 2014, pp. 437-439

## MEDIA

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**‘Datenanalyse wird immer wichtiger’**, Finanz und Wirtschaft, 2019 (in German)

**‘So Erzielen Millennials mit ihrem Portfolio Gewinn’**, NZZ, 2019 (in German)

**‘Günstige Angebote fürs Sparen mit Fonds sind rar’**, NZZ, 2019 (in German)

**‘Lässt Löw die Kurse wackeln?’**, Kicker, 2018 (in German)

**‘Pech beim Match, Pech an der Börse’**, Trend. Das Wirtschaftsmagazin, 2018 (in German)

## SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Asset Management Conference, <i>Berlin</i>	Aug. 2019, 2015
IRMC Conference, <i>Milan</i>	June 2019
FIRS Conference, <i>Savannah</i>	May 2019
Conference on Professional Asset Management, <i>Rotterdam</i>	Jun. 2018, 2016
SGF Meeting, <i>Zurich</i>	Apr. 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2013, 2012
CFR Colloquium, <i>Cologne</i>	Mar. 2019, 2018, 2016, 2015
FMA Consortium on Trading Strategies, <i>Cambridge</i>	Feb. 2018
Annual Hedge Fund Research Conference, <i>Paris</i>	Jan. 2018, 2017, 2014
German Finance Association (DGF) Meeting, <i>Various</i>	Sep. 2017, 2015, 2013, 2011
European Finance Association (EFA) Meeting, <i>Mannheim</i>	Aug. 2017
Verband der Hochschullehrer (VHB) Conference, <i>St. Gallen</i>	Jun. 2017
European Winter Finance Summit, <i>Davos</i>	Mar. 2016
FMA Consortium on Activist Investors, <i>London</i>	Dec. 2015
Asset Management Summit, <i>Luxembourg</i>	Oct. 2015
Symposium on Finance, Banking, and Insurance, <i>Karlsruhe</i>	Dec. 2014
Imperial College Hedge Fund Conference, <i>London</i>	Dec. 2014
European Finance Association (EFA) Meeting, <i>Lugano</i>	Aug. 2014
Quantitative Methods in Finance (QMF) Conference, <i>Sydney</i>	Dec. 2013
Australasian Banking and Finance (AFBC) Meeting, <i>Sydney</i>	Dec. 2013
Financial Management Association (FMA) Meeting, <i>Chicago</i>	Oct. 2013
Columbia Conference on Copulas and Dependence, <i>New York</i>	Oct. 2013
European Finance Association (EFA) Meeting, <i>Cambridge</i>	Aug. 2013
European Economics Association (EEA) Meeting, <i>Malaga</i>	Aug. 2012
FMA Europe Conference, <i>Luxembourg</i>	Jun. 2012
Spring Meeting of Young Economists, <i>Mannheim</i>	Apr. 2012
EFM Asset Management Symposium, <i>Hamburg</i>	Apr. 2012
European Economics Association (EEA) Meeting, <i>Oslo</i>	Aug. 2011
European Finance Association (EFA) Meeting, <i>Stockholm</i>	Aug. 2011

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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**University of Neuchâtel**, Switzerland Feb. 2020 - present

Lecture: **Alternative Investments**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Hedge Funds, Private Equity, Infrastructure, Currencies, Commodities

Lecture: **Derivatives**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Pricing of Forwards, Futures, Swaps, and Options

Lecture: **Risk Management**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Dependence Concepts, Time Series Models, Market Risk, Credit Risk

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE (CONTINUES)

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**University of St.Gallen**, Switzerland

Feb. 2014 - Jan. 2020

Lecture: **Quantitative Methods**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 150 Students  
Econometrics for Cross-Sectional, Panel, and Time-Series Data

Lecture: **Practical Seminar**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Supervision of Practically-Oriented Couework

Lecture: **Alternative Investments**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Hedge Funds, Private Equity, Infrastructure, Currencies, Commodities

Lecture: **Corporate and International Finance**

- Annual cycle, Master Level, 30 Students  
Financial Statement Analysis, Valuation, Risk and Return, Financing

Lecture: **Ph.D. Research Seminar**

- Annual cycle, Ph.D. Level, 15 Students, Evaluation:

Executive Education (Fit For Finance Series)

- Lecture: **Behavioral Finance**
- Lecture: **Asset Allocation**
- Lecture: **Alternative Investments**

Supervision of numerous master theses in the fields of asset pricing, hedge funds mutual funds, financial econometrics, and behavioral finance

**University of Mannheim**, Germany

Sep. 2010 - Dec. 2013

Teaching Assistant: Derivatives I (Master Level, 50 students)

Teaching Assistant: Different Finance Research Seminars (Master Level, 15 students)

## REFEREEING

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Journal of Finance	Economics Letters
Review of Financial Studies	European Journal of Finance
Journal of Financial & Quantitative Analysis	Finance Research Letters
Management Science	Quantitative Finance
Review of Finance	Journal of Applied Econometrics
Review of Asset Pricing Studies	Journal of Risk
Journal of Banking and Finance	Schmalenbach Business Review

## NON-ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

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**d-fine GmbH**, Munich, Germany

Mar. 2007 - May 2007

Intern in Risk Management Consulting

**Dresdner Kleinwort Wasserstein**, Frankfurt, Germany

Feb. 2006 - Apr. 2006

Intern in Interest Rate Derivatives Trading

**Deutsche Bank AG**, Frankfurt, Germany

Jun. 2005 - Oct. 2005

Intern in Corporate Finance, Equity Capital Markets

## MISCELLANEOUS

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<b>Languages</b>	German (Mother tongue), English (Fluent), French (Basic Knowledge)
<b>IT Skills</b>	Stata, R, Matlab, SAS, SPSS, VBA
<b>Summer Schools</b>	CEMFI Madrid: Panel Data Econometrics (2010) CRM Madrid: Financial Engineering (2010) London Business School: Corporate Governance (2009)
<b>Scholarships</b>	Stiegler Scholarship for the academic research visit at Georgia State University (2013)  Stiegler Scholarship for the academic research visit at the University of Texas at Austin (2011)  DFG-Scholarship for Ph.D. Studies at the Center for Doctoral Studies in Business of the University of Mannheim (2008 - 2009)  Leonardo-Kolleg-Scholarship for the top 5% students at the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (2007 - 2008)  e-fellows.net-Scholarship (2005 - 2012)  Erasmus-Scholarship for academic exchange (2004 - 2005)
<b>Affiliations</b>	Faculty Board Member of the Business School at the University of St. Gallen (Jan. 2019 - Jan. 2020)  Board Member of DocNet (Organization of Doctoral Students and Post-Docs at the University of St. Gallen, Mar. 2015 - Mar. 2017)  Faculty Board Member of the Business School at the University of Mannheim (Jan. 2010 - Jan. 2014)  Former Member of AK Boerse (Student Finance Association) and Junior Consulting Team (Student Consultancy)

## REFERENCES

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