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1. PRESENTATION OF CERMI

The Centre for European Research in Microfinance (CERMi) is a leading research centre on Microfinance. Created in 2007, CERMi gathers microfinance scholars from all over Europe and beyond, as well as PhD students from Centre Emile Bernheim (Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management, Université libre de Bruxelles, ULB) and from the Warocqué School of Business and Economics (Université de Mons, UMONS).

Microfinance can be defined as the provision of financial services – such as credit, savings, remittances, and insurance – to disadvantaged clients excluded from the traditional banking system. The microfinance sector is still growing, thus creating a constant need for new knowledge.

Co-directed by Professors Marek Hudon (ULB), Marc Labie (UMONS), and Ariane Szafarz (ULB), CERMi contributes to advancing scholarly knowledge by studying the management of microfinance institutions (NGOs, cooperatives, and commercial firms), based on an interdisciplinary approach. CERMi's researchers address topics such as the governance and risk management in microfinance institutions, innovative financial products for poor clients, regulations and public policies, including gender issues, provision of subsidies, and environmental concerns. A special attention is devoted to ethical issues.

CERMi promotes high-level research in microfinance. It encourages doctoral research, organises workshops, seminars, and conferences, and develops international partnerships with universities and research centres, such as CEREN, Burgundy School of Business (France), Indian Institute of Management in Ahmedabad (India), French Institute of Pondicherry (India), University of Agder (Norway), Université Paris-Dauphine (France), Université d'Abomey-Calavi (Benin), and Université Catholique de Bukavu (DRC). CERMi collaborates also with NGOs, including ADA, CERISE, and SOS Faim. CERMi also carries on expert missions.

CERMi's mission is to **provide academic support** to practitioners from the microfinance sector (NGOs, cooperatives, donors, international aid organisations, investment funds, and banking institutions) and to **offer critical views** on microfinance practices. It closely collaborates with the **European Microfinance Programme (Master de spécialisation en Microfinance)**, a Master programme taught entirely in English, and organised by two European universities (ULB, UMONS) and four NGO partners (ADA, BRS, CERISE, and SOS Faim).

2. CERMI MEMBERS

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Deborah Umba Ngoyi (UMONS), thesis topic: "Behavioral Economics of Consumers of Digital Financial Services"

Ariane Reyns (ULB, grant from FNRS), thesis topic: "Economic Resilience and Complementary Currencies".

Claudia Savarese (ULg and ULB), thesis topic: "The Influence of Corporate Collaboration on Social Enterprises".

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3. CERMi conferences and seminars

3.1. Seminar in microfinance

Since its creation, CERMi organises the *CERMi Seminars in Microfinance* on a regular basis. These seminars bring together researchers on topics related to development and financial management. The CERMi Seminars in Microfinance allow young doctoral researchers to compare their approaches with those of senior researchers.



September 5th, 2022 at Mons University (UMONS) – Paper presentation by **Patrick Murhula Cubaka** (Catholic University of Bukavu, DRC).

Topic: "Exploring linkages between formal, psychological and active ownership: The case of financial cooperatives".



August 11th, 2022 at Mons University (UMONS) – Paper presentation by **Naome Otiti** (CERSEM - University of Agder).

Topic: "From Relationship Lending to Algorithmic Lending: Ethical implications for microfinance".

4. CERMi publications in 2022

The publications listed here are written by CERMi members, alone or with coauthors. CERMi members are indicated by a star (*) after their name. In each category, the publications are presented in the alphabetical order.

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Boudewijn de B., O. Cherednychenko, N. Hermes*, M. Kramer and M. Meyer, "A Commission Ban to Resolve Conflicts of Interest in Consumer Finance: How Salience Effects Undermine the Effort".

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Chen S., N. Hermes*, R. Hooghiemstra and S. Mukherjee, "The Impact of Board Gender Diversity Policy on Women on Boards: An Institution-based View".

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Peng D., N. Hermes* and R. Lensink, "Formal Institutions and Financial Inclusion: Evidence from Cross-Country Analysis".

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Schantz N.M., A. Charles and J. Copestake*, "The sustainable development goals and the university of bath: an opportunity", Available at SSRN 3771316.

5. Conferences

5.1. Presentations at conferences

Ashta A., "Is an education on the benefits of federalism required to reduce poverty and inequality?", 9th Responsible Management Education Research Conference, September 27th-29th 2022, Innsbruck, Austria.

Ashta A., Invited keynote speech, "How to publish in highly ranked journals", *International Seminar on Accounting, Finance and Business Management*, September 27th 2022, Silchar, India.

Ashta A., Invited keynote speech, "Réformer l'UE ou les Nations unies : quel est le plus urgent ?", *Université de Printemps, UEF France 2022*, June 17th-19th 2022, Lyon, France.

Ashta A., Invited keynote speech, "The dark side of Entrepreneurial Finance: What has changed with COVID?", *International Conference On Economics to Earthonomics: Shifting Paradigms, Policy Paralysis, and Worsening Sustainability*, March 9th-11th 2022, Sonepat, India.

Ashta A., Invited keynote speech, "The importance of news in driving research", 3rd International Finance Conference 2022 (IFC 2022), online, March 29th-30th 2022, New Delhi, India.

Ashta A., Invited keynote speech, "The importance of Sustainable development in conferences for boosting your publications", *9th Uniglobe International Management Conference 2022*, Uniglobe College de Katmandou, April 6th-7th 2022, Katmandou, Nepal.

Cherkas M., D. Constantinou and A. Ashta, "Women empowerment: gender bias in the financial institutions of developing countries", 7th European Research Conference on Microfinance, June 20th-22nd 2022, Glasgow, United Kingdom.

Dalla Pellegrina L., "Efficiency and Outreach in the European Microfinance Sector", 7th European Research Conference on Microfinance, Yunus Centre for Social Business and Health, 20/06/2022-22/06/2022, Glasgow Caledonian University, UK.

Dalla Pellegrina L., 39th European Association of Law and Economics Conference, organized by Nova School of Business and Economics (Carcavelos) and Nova School of Law (Lisbon), Nova School of Business and Economics, 15/09/2022-16/09/2022, Carcavelos, Lisbon, Portugual.

Dalla Pellegrina L., "2003-2021 Judicial transformation: selection or defection? an empirical analysis of constitutional review voting in the polish constitutional tribunal", *LAWLE 2022 8th Latin American Workshop in Law and Economics*, Universidad de Los Andes, 16/11/2022 to 18/11/2022, Bogotá, Colombia.

Dissaux T., "Digitalisation and creation of alternative monetary and financial spaces", Workshop "Crafting the digital euro as an alternative monetary tool: a central banker puzzle", Juin 2022, Grenoble, France.

Dissaux T., "Crypto-monnaies et autres monnaies alternatives numériques", *Journées d'étude "The protection of personal payment data: A multidimensional issue renewed by central bank digital currencies"*, Juin 2022, Lyon, France.

Hermes N., "The Signaling Effect of Households' Informal Indebtedness: Evidence from Bank Credit Allocation in China", *European Research Conference on Microfinance (ERCM)*, 20-22 June 2022, Glasgow, UK.

Hermes N., "An American in Paris: national director foreign experience and firm internationalization", *Workshop Corporate Governance and Investment*, 23-24 September 2022, Copenhagen, Denmark.

Hermes N., "An American in Paris: national director foreign experience and firm internationalization", *International Corporate Governance Society Annual Conference*, 11-13 November 2022, Miami, US.

Khachatryan N., "Spillovers in Social Entrepreneurship: spatial proximity and microfinance performance", *Academy of Management annual meeting*, August 2022, Seattle, USA, online.

Khachatryan N., Seventh European Research conference on Microfinance, June 2022, Glasgow, UK.

Khan S. and A. Ashta*, "How has COVID impacted postal financial services?", 7th European Research Conference on Microfinance, June 20th-22nd 2022, Glasgow, United Kingdom.

Kopala M.R., A. Ashta*, S. Mor and N. Parekh, "The co-evolution of India's policy on science, technology and innovation with university education: the need for innovation in higher educational institutions", *International Conference on Role of Higher Education Institutions in Advancing Sustainable Development Goals*, November 22nd-23rd 2022, Sonepat, India.

Ledru F.-X., "More of the same? Comparing impact and socially responsible investments", 7th European Research Conference on Microfinance, June 2022, Glasgow, Scotland, United-Kingdom.

Mor S., N. Parekh, M.R. Kopala and A. Ashta, "Human capital and its effects on innovation: Understanding what impacts India", *International Conference on Role of Higher Education Institutions in Advancing Sustainable Development Goals*, November 22nd-23rd 2022, Sonepat, India.

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Serres* C. and T. De Moor, "Social enterprises in the Netherlands: towards more institutional diversity?", *Business, Society & Responsibility Seminar 2022*, Vrije Universiteit, Amsterdam, March 2022, Amsterdam, Netherlands.

6. Scientific activities

6.1. Organization of conferences

Goffette L., B. Goguillon, M. Hudon, M. Labie, and A. Szafarz, Co-organization of the CERMi Seminars (on a regular basis), ULB-Brussels and UMONS-Mons, www.cermi.eu/activities

Biosca O., 7th European Research Conference on Microfinance, In partnership with CERMI and supported by e-MFP, Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland, United Kingdom, 20th - 22nd June 2022. https://www.ercm2022.com/ The European Research Conference on Microfinance is a unique event that gathers together high level researchers, academics, professionals and students ensuring that the latest research is disseminated to the whole microfinance community.

Gillet R., Journées de collaboration scientifique entre les Ecoles Doctorales en Gestion de l'Université Libre de Bruxelles et de l'Université Paris1-Panthéon-Sorbonne, avec A. Szafarz*, K. Oosterlinck*, H. Pirotte*, F. Ryex, J-P Laurent, J-F. Lemoine, C. Mellios, Y. Malevergne, Ph. Raimbourg, Université Paris 1, Paris, France, 17 mai 2022. https://www.prism-sorbonne.fr/wp-content/uploads/2022/06/Programme-ULB-Sorbonne-17.05.2022.pdf

Hudon M., Conference Economie Et Durabilité, Kinograph, ULB, Belgique, Mardi 26 avril 2022. *Conférence unique rassemblant des enseignants, étudiants, assistants d'HELMO, HE2b, ICHEC UCLouvain, ULG, UMONS, UNAMUR, et ULB, partenaires d'un projet ARES-CDD.*

6.2. Prizes & Distinctions

Khachatryan K., received the Fulbright Visiting Scholar award.

6.3. Editorial positions

Ashta A., Editorial/ Review Board member for *Strategic Change*, Wiley.

Ashta A., Editorial/ Review Board member FIIB Business Review, Sage.

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Ashta A., Editorial/ Review Board member *International Journal of Consumer Studies*, Wiley.

Ashta A., Editorial/ Review Board member Marché & Organizations, Cairn.

Biosca O., Topic editor, Frontiers in Public Health.

Corsi M., Editor of the *International Review of Sociology*.

Dorfleitner G., Editorial Board Member of *Review of Managerial Science*.

Dorfleitner G., Section Editor of Journal of *Applied Accounting Research*.

Glémain P., Head of "economy-management-society", *University Press of Rennes*.

Gutiérrez-Nieto B., Associate editor, Iberoamerican Journal of Development Studies.

Hermes N., Associate Editor, *Journal of East European Management Studies -JEEMS*.

Hermes N., Associate Editor, Ibero-American Journal of Development Studies, 2011-present.

Hermes* N., Associate Editor of Corporate Ownership and Control, 2017-present.

Hermes* N., Editor of *Corporate Governance: An International Review,* 2018-present.

Hermes* N., Co-editor *Economics and Business Review,* 2019-present.

Hudon* M., Associate Editor, Annals of Public & Cooperative Economics.

Hudon* M., Board Member, Journal of Business Ethics.

Hudon* M., Member of the Editorial Board *Régions et Développement*, Mini-Reviews in *Organic Chemistry*.

Meyer* C., Guest editor for special issue on 'the Ethics of the Commons', *Journal of Business Ethics.*

Szafarz A., Member of the Editorial Board, *Bankers Markets and Investors*.

Szafarz A., Member of the Editorial Board, Enterprise Development and Microfinance.

6.4. Scientific committees

Dalla Pellegrina L., Research Fellow, Baffi-CAREFIN Center, University of Milano-Bocconi.

Dalla Pellegrina L., Research Fellow, *CEfES, Center for European Studies*, University of Milano-Bicocca.

Dipierri A., Member of the International Association for the Study of the Commons (IASC).

Dissaux T., Post-doctoral fellow of the AXA Research Fund.

Dissaux T., Founding member of *RAMICS* (Research Association on Monetary Innovation and community and complementary Currency Systems).

Dorfleitner G., Associate researcher at the *Centre for European Research in Microfinance*, ULB Brüssel, Solvay Brussels School of Economics and Management.

Dorfleitner G., Director of the *Center of Finance* at the University of Regensburg.

Dorfleitner G., Member of Verband der Hochschullehrer für Betriebswirtschaft e.V. (VHB).

Dorfleitner G., Member of the *Society for Operations Research (GOR)*.

Dorfleitner G., Member of the *German Finance Association (DGF)*.

Dorfleitner G., Honorary Fellow, *Hanken Centre for Accounting, Finance and Governance*, Hanken School of Economics, Finnland.

Glémain P., CIRIEC.

Hermès N., President of the International Corporate Governance Society.

Hermès N., Board member of the *Benelux Corporate Finance Network*.

Hudon M., Member of the Brussels Region Scientific Council.

Labie M., Membre de l'Association Tiers Monde (ATM) [depuis 2005].

Labie M., Membre de la Société des Sciences, des Arts et des Lettres du Hainaut [depuis 2000].

Labie M., Membre du conseil de rédaction de la revue *Mondes en Développement* [depuis 2002].

Szafarz A., Marie-Christine Adam Foundation, Founding Member and President.

7. Theses at CERMi

7.1. Ongoing theses

Hudon M., Ana Alicia Dipierri, Sustainable development in the food system, started in 2018.

Hudon M., François-Xavier Ledru, *Essays on Impact investing*, co-supervision with Oscar Bernal, UNAMUR, started in 2017.

Hudon M., Ariane Reyns, *Régions en crise: résilience régionale et les monnaies complémentaires*, started in 2020.

Hudon M., Riccardo Losa, *Circular Economy and Innovation: Case study of the battery sector,* started in 2021.

Labie M., Patrick Murhula, doctorant, *Collective ownership and cooperative governance sustainability : Evidence from Kivu's saving and credit coopératives* (en co-supervision avec Eddy Balemba).

7.2. Thesis defended in 2022

Labie M. and C. Godfroid, Tristan Caballero-Montes, *Microfinance and Industry Dynamics: Analyses of Regulation, Competition, and Collective Action*, Defense on January 27, 2022.

8. Research grants

Biosca O., Competitive PhD Studentship funding, *ESRC Studentship Realising Change: Care, Gender and COVID-19*, with Wise Centre for Economic Justice, September 2021 —August 2024.

Biosca O., Competitive PhD Studentship funding, *ESRC/SGSSS steers studentship* investigating the relationship between social policy, financial difficulty and mental health of young adults in the uk during the covid-19 pandemic: evidence from panel data, with GSBS/SPIRU, September 2021 –August 2025.

Biosca O., Competitive PhD Studentship funding, RSE Saltire early career fellowships income enhancement strategies for refugee women in Scotland, February 2022 – August 2022.

Biosca O., UKRI/ESRC, *Covid19 rapid call financial lives and wellbeing in low income groups post covid-19*, FinWellCovid, Principal Investigator, amount: £316,930, January 2021-January 2022.

Dipierri A., Rethinking pedagogical approaches and digital tools to teach circular economy: to teach is to learn twice, Funding: Erasmus+ European Commission, 2021/03 to present.

Dipierri A., Alimentation durable et modèles économiques alternatifs: Qui? Quoi? Comment? Pourquoi, Funding : Ville de Bruxelles, 2020 to present.

Dipierri A., Economie durable (travailleurs et consommateurs informés), Funding: Académie de Recherche et d'Enseignement supérieur (ARES), 2020 to present.

Dipierri A., Sustainable development and for-profit food companies: Who? What? How? Why? SusSocEnt, Funding: BRAIN-be, Belgian Research Action through Interdisciplinary Networks, Belgium, 2019 to present.

Dipierri A., FNRS Aspirant, Research Fellow prof. Marek Hudon (ULB) and Tom Dedeuwaerdere (UCL), FNRS, 2018-2022.

Dissaux T., AXA research fund post-doctoral fellowship.

Glémain P., French National Agency (ANR) financing the following research programme "Transitional Third Working-places in Germany, France and Québec: social mobilities and local development models".

Hartarska V. (PI), D. Nadolnyak (co-PI) and I. Kandilov (co-PI), "Challenges and Opportunities for Beginning Small and Medium-Sized Producers in the Southeast," AFRI Foundational & Applied Science Competitive Grants Program, USDA. \$500,000. 2021-2024.

Hermes N., *Peer Learning and Access to Financial Services*, financed by the National Natural Science Foundation (NNSFC), Ministry of Education of China (joint with Linyang Li and Robert Lensink).

Joachain H., Marek Hudon, Montage projet cocréation VETIRR, Innoviris.

Khachatryan K., The Eurasia Partnership Foundation "DATA Analyses and Research on Public Policies" program, Project title "Gender-based Domestic Violence: Perception Driven Evidence from Armenia", 2022.

Khachatryan K., The Eurasia Partnership Foundation "Civil Society Support for Ensuring Impact on Reforms" project with support of the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency, Sida, Project title "Successful business responses to crisis (COVID-19 and 2020 war) in Armenia: What are the supporting factors?", 2021-2022.

Khachatryan K., Governance efficiency through the lenses of municipality council members" implemented within the Transparency international anticorruption center "Democracy in Action" project and funded by the EU, December 2021- May 2022.

Ledru F.X., UNamur.

Reichert P., Enterprise for Society (E4S) grant of 74,000 CHF for the project "Blended Finance as the key to Sustainability-led Corporate Transformations".

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