CHIA-YI YEN

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Research
Interests

Investment, Mutual funds, Empirical macro-finance, Corporate governance

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Candidate in FinanceUniversity of Mannheim, Supervisor: Alexandra Niessen-Ruenzi

2017 - now

M.Sc. in Economics

2012 - 2014

National Taiwan University

2007 - 2012

B.A. in Economics

National Taiwan University

Job Market Paper

Too much "skin in the game" ruins the game: Evidence from managerial capital gains taxes, joint with Anna Theresa Buehrle (Ph.D. candidate in Taxation) [SSRN]

• FMA 2023 Best Paper Awards semifinalist

Abstract: Co-investment, often seen as a remedy for agency problems, may incentivize managers to cater to their own preferences. We provide evidence that mutual fund managers with considerable co-investment stakes alter risk-taking decisions to prioritize their own tax interests. By exploiting the enactment of the American Taxpayer Relief Act 2012 as an exogenous shock of managerial capital gains taxes, we observe that co-investing fund managers increase risk-taking by 8%. Specifically, these managers adjust their portfolios by investing in stocks with higher beta. The observed effect appears to be driven by agency incentives, particularly for funds with a more convex flow-performance relationship and for managers who have underperformed. Such tax-induced behavior is associated with negative fund performance. We highlight the role of co-investment in transmitting managerial tax shocks to mutual funds.

Selected presentations: Paris December Finance Meeting 2023 (scheduled), FMA 2023 (scheduled), IIPF 2023*, EAA 2023*, AFA 2023 (poster), DGF 2022, RBFC 2022 (poster) (* presented by the co-author)

PUBLICATIONS

- Understanding the macroeconomic impact of illiquidity shocks in the United States. *Economic Inquiry*, 58(3), 1245-1278. DOI: 10.1111/ecin.12890 ABDC rating: A. (joint with Yu-Hsi Chou, 2020)
- Convenience yield and real exchange rate dynamics: A present-value interpretation.
 Canadian Journal of Economics, 56(2), 453-489. DOI: 10.1111/caje.12657 ABDC rating: A. (joint with Yu-Hsi Chou, 2023)
- Predicting US recessions with stock market illiquidity. The BE Journal of
 Macroeconomics, 16(1), 93-123. DOI: 10.1515/bejm-2015-0009 ABDC rating: A. (joint
 with Shiu-Sheng Chen and Yu-Hsi Chou, 2015)
- A Computational Analysis of the Dynamics of R Style Based on 108 Million Lines of Code from All CRAN Packages in the Past 21 Years. *The R Journal*, 14(1), 6-21.
 DOI:10.32614/RJ-2022-006 (joint with Chung-hong Chan and Huai-Wen Chang, 2022)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- Why do mutual fund managers hold co-investment?
- The brighter the light, the darker the shadow: Portfolio transparency and window-dressing behavior of mutual fund managers (joint with Yen-Cheng Chang, Alexandra Niessen-Ruenzi, and Kevin Tseng)

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TEACHING

Sustainable Investing - Exercise (undergraduate)
 Corporate Governance - Exercise (undergraduate)
 Bachelor thesis supervision (undergraduate; 15 students)
 Seminar thesis supervision (postgraduate; 22 students)
 Master thesis supervision (postgraduate; 12 students)
 Fall 2018-2023
 Fall 2018-2023

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS Taiwanese Overseas Pioneers Grants, NSTC of Taiwan, 2023

Förderung Julius Paul Stiegler Stiftung, University of Mannheim, 2023

Internationalization of Doctoral Education (IDEUM) grants, University of Mannheim, 2022 Government Scholarship to Study Abroad, Ministry of Education of Taiwan, 2020-2022 Microsoft Most Valuable Professional Award, Microsoft Corporation, 2017-2019 Institute of Information Industry fellowship, Ministry of Economic Affairs of Taiwan, 2016

Institute of information industry fellowship, Ministry of Economic Affairs of falwan, 2016

Forty under 40 Women in Tech, Girls in Tech Taiwan, 2016

Young BPW Fellowship, International Federation of Business and Professional Women, 2016

Honorary Member of Phi Tau Phi Scholastic Society, 2014

Refereeing

Strategic Management Journal, Economics Bulletin, Schmalenbach Journal of Business Research

Professional

Credit risk modeling consultant at innoFT Inc., Taipei, Taiwan, 2016-2017

EXPERIENCE

Data science consultant at iiNumbers, Taipei, Taiwan, 2015-2017

Research assistant of Professor Yen-Cheng Chang at National Taiwan University, 2015-2017

Financial engineer at Risksoft Inc., Taipei, Taiwan, 2014-2015 Co-founder and organizer of R-Ladies Taipei, Taiwan, 2014-2017 Committee chair of registration at PyCon APAC, Taiwan, 2014

FILED PATENT APPLICATIONS

- Loan Conditions Matching System Adopting Quota Limiting Mechanism. Taiwan Patent No. I669674 (with Wen-Ling Huang and Ken-Yu Lin)
- Loan Conditions Matching System Adopting Multi-group Parallel Matching Mechanism. Taiwan Patent No. I610263 (with Wen-Ling Huang and Ken-Yu Lin)
- Multi-factor Loan Conditions Matching System Incorporating Credit Default Insurance Mechanism. Taiwan Patent No. 1607401 (with Wen-Ling Huang and Ken-Yu Lin)

COMPUTING SKILLS R (one publication in the R Journal and co-founder of R-Ladies Taipei), Python (invited speaker at PyCon APAC 2015 and PyCon Japan 2015), SQL, Bash, Stata, Matlab

Language

Mandarin (native), English (fluent), German (A1)

References

Recommendation letters available upon request.

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