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Positions:

Michigan State University: Assistant Professor of Finance (2013-current).

Education

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, School of Business Administration

2008-2012: Ph.D. in Finance. Advisers: Eugene Kandel (HUJI) & Michael Weisbach (Ohio State Univ.).

2002-2005: M.B.A., specializing in Finance and Information Systems (magna cum laude, top 5%).

1999-2002: B.A. in Education (honors program) and Business Administration.

Harvard University

Fellow at: the Edmond J. Safra Center for Ethics (2013-2014), Women and Public Policy Program, Harvard Kennedy School (2012-2013), Program on Corporate Governance, Harvard Law School (2011-2012).

Publications

[“What do Boards Really Do? Evidence from Minutes of Board Meetings”](#), with Michael S. Weisbach,

2013. *Journal of Financial Economics* 108, p. 349–366.

[“Gender and Board Activeness: The Role of a Critical Mass”](#), *Journal of Financial and Quantitative*

Analysis, Forthcoming.

Working Papers

[“Which Shareholders Benefit from Low-Cost Monitoring Opportunities? Evidence from Say on Pay”](#),

with Russ Wermers (submitted).

Blockholder Heterogeneity and the Dance between Blockholders, with Charlie Hadlock.

Work in Progress

“Are Financial Institutions Involved in Appointing Directors?”, with Qingqiu Li

“Are Exit and Voice Related?”, with Sophia Zhengzi Li

“Are Individual Shareholders Valuable? Evidence from their Deaths”

Conferences (presentations and discussions) and seminars

2015/2016: EFA (scheduled), AFA (discussant, scheduled), International Risk Management Conference (scheduled), SEC Conference on Financial Market Regulation (scheduled), DePaul Conference in Corporate Social Responsibility.

2014/2015: AFA (discussant), FMA, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Ackerman Conference on Corporate Governance, Securities and Exchange Commission.

2013/14: AFA, WFA (discussant), Michigan State University.

2012/13: AEA, FMA, Baruch College, Brandeis University doctoral seminar, Harvard doctoral seminar, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya, Michigan State University, Northeastern University, Simmons College, SUNY at Stony Brook, Tel-Aviv University, University of California Riverside, University of Toronto, Virginia Tech, Washington University of Saint Louis, and Yeshiva University.

2011/12: EFMA, Mossavar-Rahmani Center for Business & Government at Harvard Kennedy School, Women and Public Policy program at Harvard Kennedy School, Program on Corporate Governance at Harvard Law School, Northeastern College, Brown University, Brandeis doctoral seminar, Harvard doctoral seminar, Babson College, and MIT doctoral seminar.

Professional Service

Referee: The Review of Financial Studies (2011, 2014, 2015), Review of Finance (2016), Management Science (2013, 2014), Journal of Banking and Finance (2014, 2016), and Regulation and Governance (2012).

Conference program committees: European Finance Association 2015, 2016; Financial Management Association 2014, 2015, 2016; Best Paper Award FMA 2015; Midwest Finance Association 2014, 2016.

Ph.D. dissertation committee member at MSU: Damien Brooks (2015, Instructor at University of Georgia), William Grieser (2015, Assistant Professor at Tulane) Ryan Timmer (Jackson National Life Insurance).

Teaching: “Financial management” (average ratings: 4.2)

Press Coverage

[NY Times](#), “Seeking Critical Mass of Gender Equality in the Boardroom”, 9/11/2012

[Forbes](#), “Women on Corporate Boards Bring More Aggressive Action”, 1/7/2013.

[Bloomberg](#), “Why Corporate Boards Need More Women”, 1/4/2013

Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships

2010-12 Israeli Ministry of Science and Technology Yuval Neeman Ph.D. Scholarship

2010-12 Hebrew University, Ph.D. scholarship

Non-academic Work Experience (in Israel)

2006-2010: Privatization Economist and Coordinator of Energy Firms at the Government Companies Authority, Ministry of Finance, Jerusalem. GCA’s representative to the boards of the Israel Electrical Company, Postal Corporation, Postal Bank, and Coins and Medals Corporation. Responsible for privatizing the Coins and Medals Corporation; responsible for advancing structural change and development of postal financial services; responsible for the early stages of the privatization of the Industrial Development Bank.

2005-2006: Analyst, Amin (program assisting the unemployed to find work).

2002-2005: Financial analyst at the headquarters of the Postal Banking Services, Jerusalem.

2000-2002: Teacher in high school equivalency program, College of Administration & Achi, Jerusalem.

1997-1999: Military service as a schoolteacher.

Teaching

Northeastern University: Visiting Assistant Professor in the finance unit (2012-2013).

Boston University: Instructor in the Finance Department (Spring 2012).

Citizenship: American, Israeli, and Swiss

Languages: English, Hebrew, and German (intermediate)