

**University of Waikato
PhD Symposium 2015
Wednesday, 18th February**

Registration

08.30 am to 09.00am

09.00pm – 10.00pm

Keynote Address in S.G.01

Pitching Research

Professor Robert Faff

Tea Break 10.00am -10.30am

Room S.G.01 Panel: Professor Ron Bird (Waikato) Professor Henk Berkman (Auckland)	Room S.G.02 Panel: Professor Stuart Locke (Waikato) Professor Philip Ghaghor (Monash)	Room S.G.03 Panel: Professor Robert Faff (Queensland) Professor Bart Frijns (AUT)
Session 1A - 10.30am – 11.20am	Session 1B - 10.30am – 11.20am	Session 1C - 10.30am – 11.20am
<i>Asymmetric Information and Asset Pricing following Regulatory Change: The Case of European Energy Utilities</i> Daniel Tulloch (Otago)	<i>Impact of governance indicators and gender on microfinance efficiency – A truncated regression model based on DEA scores</i> Uzma Shahzad (Massey)	<i>The Short-run IPO Price Behavior: Preliminary Findings</i> Hamza Ajmal (Waikato)
Session 2A - 11.20am – 12.10noon	Session 2B - 11.20am – 12.10noon	Session 2C - 11.20am – 12.10noon
<i>Idiosyncratic volatility and expected returns</i> Nhu Nguyen (Otago)	<i>Political uncertainty and exchange rate volatility</i> Tahir Suleman (Victoria)	<i>How does Principal-Principal Agency Cost affect small family-owned businesses?</i> Samir Harith (Waikato)
Lunch 12.10pm – 01.10pm		
Session 3A - 01.10pm – 02.00pm	Session 3B - 01.10pm – 02.00pm	Session 3C - 01.10pm – 02.00pm
	Corporate social responsibility and firm market performance: A study of Indian listed companies Abhishek Mukherjee (Waikato)	<i>Profitability and Contribution of Banking Sector: Countries in the Asia-Pacific Region</i> Vijay Kumar (Waikato)
Session 4A - 02.00pm – 02.50pm	Session 4B - 02.00pm – 02.50pm	Session 4C - 02.00pm – 02.50pm
<i>Need for Microfinance in rural Nepal to stimulate sustainable increases in rural community living standards</i>	New model and evidence of cash tunnelling in Chinese firms Yi Wei (Massey)	<i>Financial development and inclusion; a panacea to household level corruption? An econometric Proposition</i>

Dilip Jha (Waikato)		Francis Agyekum (Waikato)
Tea Break 02.50pm – 3.20pm		
Session 5A - 03.20pm – 04.10pm	Session 5B - 03.20pm – 04.10pm	Session 5C - 03.20pm – 04.10pm
<i>The influence of cash flow volatility on capital structure and zero leverage by maturity</i> Mona Yaghoubi (Victoria)	<i>The impact of securities class actions on firm governance and operating performance</i> Matthew McCarten (Otago)	<i>Ownership Concentration and Corporate Performance from a Dynamic Perspective: Does National Governance Quality Matter?</i> Tuan Nguyen (Waikato)
Session 6A - 04.10pm – 5.00pm	Session 6A - 04.10pm – 5.00pm	Session 6A - 04.10pm – 5.00pm
<i>Financial preparedness for retirement in NZ is low</i> Bob Lissington (Massey)	<i>Technical analysis vs order flow analysis in forex</i> Vincent Kleinbrod	<i>Hedge Fund Performance: Asia Pacific Evidence</i> Mui Kuen Yuen (Massey)
05.00pm – 06.00pm Cocktail - S Block Ground Level Foyer		

