

COOPERATIVE AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCE FOR DEVELOPMENT



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PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 18 JUNE

09.30 - 10.00 Welcome and Introduction

GABRIELLA BERLOFFA - DEM, University of Trento
PAOLA IAMICELI - EURICSE
SERGIO GATTI - Federcasse
NINA SCHINDLER - EACB
SILVIO GOGLIO - Scientific Committee

10.00 - 11.30 1st Session: Bank Lending

Chair: Juan Lopez - Federcasse

Cooperative Banks, Cofidi.It and the Challenge of Re-Embedding Finance in Local Economies: A Bibliometric and Case Study Analysis from the Italian Experience

ROSALIA INSALATA - ESG and Credit Analyst COFIDI.IT soc. coop.

When Proximity is Special: Borrowing Firm's Sustainable Transition at Cooperative vs Commercial Banks

GIOVANNI FERRI & MARCO PINI - LUMSA University
JUAN LOPEZ - Federcasse

11.30 - 13.00 2nd Session: Cooperative and Financial Market Regulations

Chair: Giorgio Caselli - University of Cambridge

Reducing Regulation for Small Banks - Evaluating a Small Bank Regulation Scheme's Effects on Cooperative Banks

ERIC MEYER - University of Münster

Member Incentives, Mission and Survival: Impact of the Transformation from Unlimited to Limited Liability of CRA/BCCs

MARCO ALBERTO DE BENEDETTO - University of Calabria
GIOVANNI FERRI & PLINIO LIMATA - LUMSA University
MAURIZIO LISCIANDRA - LUMSA University & Dalarna University

13.00 - 14.30 Lunch

14.30 - 16.00 3rd Session: Small Banks and Sustainability

Chair: Yiorgos Alexopoulos - Agricultural University of Athens

Impacts of Temperature on Community Banks' Lending

GIORGIO CASELLI - University of Cambridge

Does Sustainability Pay for Small Firms? A Bibliometric and Thematic Analysis of Environmental Practices, Financial Performance and Credit Access in SMEs

LINDA DE CARLI - University of Trento

16.00 - 18.00 4th Session: Cooperative Banking Governance

Chair: Eric Meyer - University of Münster

Cooperative Governance through Delegate Assemblies: Substitute for Direct Member Participation or Democratic Façade

TIM KOLWEY & JAN KÖRNERT - University of Greifswald

Banking Crises in the German Cooperative Sector-What is Different?

JÜRGEN SEITZ - Baden-Württemberg Cooperative State University

DETLEV HUMMEL - Potsdam University

ROUND TABLE 1

Introduction and Chair: Detlev Hummel - Potsdam University

Crisis Dynamics of Cooperative Banks in History, Do we Need a New Code of Conduct and Lessons from Local Banking Crises in Europe

20.00 Social Dinner

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FRIDAY, 19 JUNE

09.00 - 11.15 5th Session: Community

Chair: Giovanni Ferri - Lumsa University

Fostering Prosperity: How Institutional Banks' Models Can Make a Difference

FRANCO FIORDELISI - University of Essex

The Multi-Scalar Political Economy of AI Infrastructure: Financialization, Energy Dependencies, and Asymmetric Regional Welfare

STEFFEN HUNDT- HTWK University of Applied Sciences Leipzig

JOHANNA JAHNEL - NEAG Norddeutsche Energie AG

Parenthood as a Transformative Context for Soft Skills Development: Theoretical Foundations and Empirical Evidence from the Cooperative Banking Sector

LUDOVICA ALESCI - SUPSI

VALENTINA ROTONDI - SUPSI & University of Oxford

MATTEO ALESSANDRO RUBERTO - SUPSI

ROUND TABLE 2

Introduction and Chair: Giorgio Caselli - University of Cambridge and Silvio Goglio - Scientific Committee

Cooperative Spirit on the Sunset Boulevard? How Megatrends are Reshaping Cooperative Ideology and the Role of Cooperative Finance

12.00 - 12.15 Conclusions

12.15 - 13.30 Lunch

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