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### **International Review of Economics & Finance (Vol.98)**

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#### **01. Unravelling the impact of clean energy on the tourism sector of the stock market: Evidence from quantile granger causality and wavelet coherence analysis**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of clean energy on tourism stock markets in China, Europe, and the US, revealing a complex relationship between clean energy and tourism, particularly during the COVID-19 pandemic, providing insights for sustainable tourism development.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2024.103832>

#### **02. Easing credit for small firms amidst expansionary policy shifts: Iran 2005–2013**

**Abstract:** Credit facilitation policies for small firms vary globally, with endogeneity being a challenge. A major credit-easing program in Iran briefly increased production and employment growth, but the outcome was muted and high costs. The weak outcome was linked to the macroeconomic and policy environment in Iran, causing firms to invest in real estate rather than productive equipment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2024.103828>

#### **03. Foreign residency rights and firm internationalization**

**Abstract:** The study examines the relationship between controlling persons' foreign residency rights and firm internationalization, finding a positive effect on firms with international business in residency countries, lower cultural distance, and better relations with China.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2024.103833>

#### **04. Acquiring divestors**

**Abstract:** Asset divestitures before acquisitions lead to lower premiums, announcement returns, and smaller transaction multiples for targets, particularly in less competitive industries or before the Sarbanes Oxley Act, affecting operating efficiency.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103844>

#### **05. Economic growth target fluctuation and bond issuance by LGFVs**

**Abstract:** The paper explores China's economic growth target management system's impact on local government debt (LGFVs) bond issuance. It finds that fluctuating targets lead to reduced bond issuance, low ratings, and difficulties in bond issuance reviews, with mitigation potential during economic downturns.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103841>

## **06. Impacts of climate change on inflation: An analysis based on long and short term effects and pass-through mechanisms**

**Abstract:** Climate change significantly increases inflation rates in the short term, particularly in low-income countries. Central bank interest rate policy and food price mediate this effect. Policy implications include avoiding short-term interest rate reductions and curbing rising food prices.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103846>

## **07. ESG rating adjustment and capital market pricing efficiency: Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** This paper investigates the impact of ESG rating adjustments on capital market pricing efficiency, using Chinese A-share listed companies. Results show a negative relationship, with greater ESG adjustments leading to asset mispricing and reduced efficiency, particularly in non-state-owned firms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103845>

## **08. How do firms respond to climate change? Evidence based on ESG performance**

**Abstract:** Climate change impacts firms' operations, affecting ESG performance. A study from Chinese manufacturing firms shows temperature deviation significantly improves ESG performance, primarily through reputation and costs channels, offering actionable recommendations for governments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103863>

## **09. How do carbon markets interact with energy-intensive sectors? Evidence from price connectedness**

**Abstract:** This study examines the dynamic connectedness between China's largest carbon emission market and energy-intensive sectors. It finds strong total connectedness in the long term, but weak connection with other markets. Policy changes and major events drive changes in connectedness.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103857>

## **10. Kill two birds with one stone: How to strengthen digital new infrastructure's impacts on urban green innovation – The channel of factor allocation**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of digital new infrastructure (DNI) on urban green innovation (UGI) in 274 Chinese cities. Results show that DNI significantly enhances UGI, with a 0.09% increase in UGI for every 1% increase in DNI. Factor allocation plays a crucial role.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103853>

## **11. Does the tail of finance wag the dog of the real economy? Dynamic connectedness of the stock market and business confidence**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that the Johannesburg Stock Exchange All Share index (ASI), mid-cap, and resources sub-indices are major transmitters of volatility in a major emerging economy, while business confidence, small-cap, and SAMSCI indices are net receivers. The findings highlight the vulnerability of business confidence to external shocks impacting equity returns.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103856>

## **12. Fiscal & tax incentives, ESG responsibility fulfillments, and corporate green innovation performance**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of fiscal and tax incentive policies on green innovation performance in A-share listed enterprises on Shanghai and Shenzhen Stock Exchanges. Results show that both subsidies and tax incentives significantly promote green innovation, mainly through fulfilling ESG responsibilities and improving corporate governance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103838>

### **13. Strategic alliances and corporate ESG performance**

**Abstract:** Strategic alliances enhance corporate ESG performance, reduce financial constraints, and enhance innovation. They are more pronounced between strong entities and non-enterprise organizations. These alliances can reduce stock volatility and elevate firm value.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103855>

### **14. Markov switching volatility connectedness across international CDS markets**

**Abstract:** The study examines the interconnectedness of sovereign CDS premiums from 2015 to 2024, examining risk spillovers during high-regime periods. Results show that developed nations like the US and UK are less susceptible to external shocks, while countries like Mexico and South Africa are net transmitters of volatility.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103839>

### **15. Exit disruption and matching in venture capital markets: Evidence based on IPO suspensions in China**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that IPO suspensions significantly improve the matching relationship between venture capital firms and startups in China's venture capital market, particularly for lower-quality VCs and startups with limited growth potential.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103850>

### **16. How returning home for entrepreneurship affects rural common prosperity**

**Abstract:** This article explores the impact of returning home for entrepreneurship on rural common prosperity, using institutional analysis and data from China Family Panel Studies. Results show a significant "Matthew effect" in different areas with different prosperity levels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103871>

### **17. Rivalry signal transmission, technology spillover and corporate environmental performance**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of Rivalry Signal (RS) and Technology Spillover (TS) on Corporate Environmental Performance (CEP) through Corporate Environmental Management (CEM). It finds that RS and TS improve CEP simultaneously, with RS promoting technological improvements and TS motivating firms to switch to the market's core product.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103860>

### **18. Digital transactions and financial development: The moderating role of global integration across income levels**

**Abstract:** The study explores the relationship between digital financial transactions (DFT) and financial development across 121 countries, highlighting the role of global financial integration (GFI) in influencing these relationships, suggesting the need for tailored policies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103861>

### **19. Digital infrastructure and economic growth: Evidence from corporate investment efficiency**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of the Broadband China policy on corporate investment efficiency, revealing that it significantly enhances efficiency, particularly in regions with developed infrastructure. The findings suggest policy recommendations to improve management efficiency and address regional disparities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103854>

### **20. Disappearing bank Branches: Evidence from China household finance survey**

**Abstract:** The paper examines the impact of mobile payments on household access to financial services from traditional commercial banks in China. It finds that Alipay significantly reduces

reliance on bank branches, reduces cash holdings, and shifts financial management activities to online platforms. This shift is more pronounced among higher-educated individuals and urban dwellers.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103873>

### **21. Green mergers and acquisitions in corporate low-carbon transition: A driving mechanism based on dual external pressures**

**Abstract:** China's Low-Carbon City Pilot policy promotes green mergers and acquisitions, enhancing environmental compliance and promoting green innovation. However, external policy pressures can limit green innovation investment, particularly in mature firms and polluting industries.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103865>

### **22. Sailing towards sustainability: Connectedness between ESG stocks and green cryptocurrencies**

**Abstract:** This study explores the connection between green cryptocurrencies and ESG stocks, revealing moderate return and volatility transmission. The COVID-19 pandemic amplified system connectedness, with cryptocurrencies providing diversification and acting as effective hedges. The findings offer insights for portfolio management.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103848>

### **23. The impact of share repurchases on bank operating performance after the global financial crisis: A comparison between the U.S. and Europe**

**Abstract:** The study compares share repurchases by US and European banking firms between 2008 and 2020, revealing a positive impact on their operating performance. This aligns with information signaling and free cash flow hypotheses, suggesting stock repurchases can enhance shareholder value and mitigate agency conflicts in mature industries.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103859>

### **24. Spatial spillover effects of environmental regulation on ecological industrialization: Evidence from the upper reaches of the Yangtze River**

**Abstract:** This study explores the spatial spillover effects of environmental regulation on ecological industrialization in the Yangtze River region, using data from 47 cities. Results show command-and-control, market-based, and public participation regulations have significant effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103862>

### **25. The effect of digital technology adoption on managerial myopia: An empirical discovery based on machine Learning**

**Abstract:** This study uses Shanghai and Shenzhen A-share data to analyze the impact of digital adoption on managerial myopia. Results show that digital adoption significantly alleviates managerial myopia, with different types affecting different enterprises.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103849>

### **26. Vertical fiscal imbalance and inclusive green total factor productivity**

**Abstract:** The study found that vertical fiscal imbalances inhibited inclusive green productivity in 268 Chinese prefecture-level cities, suppressing industrial structure, foreign direct investment, human capital, and innovation preferences. The impact intensified with increasing imbalance and digital economy advancement.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2024.103837>

### **27. Market accessibility, agglomeration, and spatial location of digital enterprises**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of market accessibility and agglomeration economies on digital enterprise location decisions. Results show that regions with higher demand accessibility attract more digital enterprises, while both urbanization and localization economies attract different

types of digital enterprises. Policy guidance and regional collaboration can optimize digital enterprise location.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103842>

### **28. China's energy system building toward an era of resilience: How green fintech can empower?**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of green fintech on energy resilience in 30 Chinese provinces from 2011-2023. Findings show continuous upward trends, positive effects on economic and environmental dimensions, and varying effects based on geographical location, functional orientation, and innovation levels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103876>

### **29. Analyzing and forecasting P/E ratios using investor sentiment in panel data regression and LSTM models**

**Abstract:** The study explores factors influencing the price/earnings ratio (P/E) using investor sentiment scores from textual data. Data from economic indicators and Twitter messages was collected from established firms. Sentiment scores were found to significantly influence the P/E ratio in one sector. A Long Short-Term Memory recurrent neural network model was used to forecast the P/E ratio over a year.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103840>

### **30. Liquidity spillover and investment strategy construction among Chinese green financial markets**

**Abstract:** The study explores liquidity spillover effects in Chinese green financial markets, revealing time-varying characteristics and highlighting the importance of minimum connectedness portfolios for stable returns and mitigating portfolio risk, with green bonds being an effective strategy.

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### **31. Revisiting the currency-commodity nexus: New insights into the $R^2$ decomposed connectedness and the role of global shocks**

**Abstract:** This study investigates the dynamic return and volatility connectedness of six leading currencies and commodity markets using  $R^2$  decomposed connectedness and event-driven statistical analysis. Results show that global shocks can trigger significant increases in currency-commodity connectedness, with commodity currencies transmitting and agricultural commodity markets receiving risk.

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### **32. Balancing finance and sustainability: The impact of financial access on carbon emissions through innovation and entrepreneurship in a global study**

**Abstract:** The study explores the relationship between financial access, innovation, entrepreneurship, and carbon emissions in 149 countries over 24 years. Findings show financial access boosts innovation and entrepreneurship, driving economic growth. However, access may increase carbon emissions if not aligned with sustainable practices.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103878>

### **33. Renaissance of climate policy uncertainty: The effects of U.S. presidential election on energy markets volatility**

**Abstract:** The global community is increasingly concerned about climate change, leading to a resurgence in climate policy formulation. Political events like the U.S. presidential election may influence future climate policy. This study examines the impact of climate policy uncertainty on

energy market volatility in China, revealing a significant long-term effect on energy markets, affecting market participants and climate policy makers.

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#### **34. Navigating China's OFDI: Financial development and policy shifts in the EU**

**Abstract:** The study investigates the impact of EU financial development on Chinese Outward Foreign Direct Investment (OFDI). It finds that the EU's financial development has a negative effect on Chinese OFDI, mainly due to financial access and efficiency issues. Factors like the subprime mortgage crisis, China's monetary tightening policy, and COVID-19 crisis contribute to this.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103870>

#### **35. Subordinate executives' confidence and labor investment efficiency**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of cognitive bias at the subordinate executive level on labor investment efficiency. It found that highly confident subordinate executives in US firms exacerbate inefficient labor investment, mainly in firms with weaker external governance. The findings are robust to alternative explanations, control variables, and endogeneity issues.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103896>

#### **36. Does centrality within trade agreements network matter to economic complexity? The conditioning effects of network structure**

**Abstract:** The paper explores how a country's centrality in a trade agreement network affects its economic complexity. It suggests that enhancing a country's centrality leads to a "breadth effect" and a "depth effect" on its production capabilities, with developed countries being major sources of knowledge diffusion. The study uses panel data from 78 countries and validates these hypotheses through robustness tests.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103892>

#### **37. Analyzing financial market reactions to the Palestine-Israel conflict: An event study perspective**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of the Palestine-Israel Conflict on equities, metals, energy, fiat, and crypto currencies. Germany, UAE, Bahrain, and Kuwait show negative abnormal returns due to geopolitical shocks, while fiat, cryptocurrency, metals, and oil show insignificant abnormal returns. The study emphasizes the importance of assessing contagion risk and evaluating market risks during political tensions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103864>

#### **38. Wine market efficiency: Is glass half full or half empty?**

**Abstract:** The study explores the wine market's efficiency and predictability in wine returns. It finds a significant positive correlation between daily returns and weekly and monthly returns. Abnormal excess returns are earned by trading strategies exploiting asset price trends.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103895>

#### **39. Strategic emerging industries and innovation: Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The paper examines the impact of industry policy on firm innovation in China's strategic emerging industries. It finds that implementation of such policies increases innovation, particularly in firms in these industries. The study suggests that developing countries can adopt such policies to optimize innovative outcomes and promote tax benefits, firm loans, industrial concentration, R&D input, and innovator quality.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103858>

#### **40. The impact of write-down equity on bank stability under ambiguity aversion**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of write-down equity on bank stability and risk-taking incentives under ambiguity aversion. It reveals that a 1% increase in write-down ratio reduces managerial optimal risk by 0.2%, and that ambiguity-averse managers are more conservative, leading to lower banking default probability.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103851>

#### **41. Business innovation in digital startups: A case study of an AI startup**

**Abstract:** The research explores the application of Lean Startup Approaches (LSAs) in fostering business model innovation in digital startups. It reveals factors contributing to limited efficacy, the internal influence mechanism of LSAs, its pivotal role in addressing challenges, and proposes relevant propositions for promoting business model innovation in digital startups.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103898>

#### **42. The components of tracking error, interim trading and mutual fund performance**

**Abstract:** The study explores active management in mutual funds due to interim trading, proposing a standardized measure based on fund tracking error and factor pricing model. Results show low active management and short-term performance erosion.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103874>

#### **43. Exploring the effects of board governance and information disclosure on stock price stability**

**Abstract:** The study analyzes board governance and information disclosure's impact on stock price stability in publicly listed companies, finding a positive correlation, with dividend policy mediating this effect, particularly in high-tech firms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103867>

#### **44. Market-oriented–debt-to-equity swap, corporate social responsibility and earnings management**

**Abstract:** The study examines the relationship between market-oriented debt-to-equity swaps (MDS) and enterprise earnings management (EM) practices. Results show MDS deters EM, with corporate social responsibility mediating. The study also reveals differences in MDS impact on EM strategies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103882>

#### **45. Feed-back effect or crowding-out effect: The influence of financialization on the main business performance of real enterprises**

**Abstract:** This paper explores the negative impact of financialization on real enterprise performance, focusing on China's A-share listed companies. Findings show financialization inhibits innovation and capital investments, outweighing the "feed-back effect" and suggest government strengthening financial regulation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103879>

#### **46. Construction of smart city and enhancement of urban convenience: A quasi-natural experiment based on a smart city pilot**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that smart city construction significantly enhances urban convenience through resource allocation, innovation driving, and entrepreneurship promotion. However, responses vary based on location, population size, and functional positioning. Strengthening entrepreneurial talent and infrastructure development is crucial for digital China.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103875>

#### **47. ESG performance and stability of New Quality Productivity Forces: From perspective of China's modernization construction**

**Abstract:** This study explores factors influencing New Quality Productivity Forces (NQPF) in firms, focusing on innovation-driven development and technological progress. It finds that ESG performance drives SNQPF improvement, while patent quality and digital transformation moderate the relationship.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103911>

#### **48. Environmental regulation and firm R&D manipulation behaviour: Evidence from the low-carbon city pilot program in China**

**Abstract:** The paper explores the impact of the LCCP program in China on firm R&D manipulation, finding that it significantly mitigates R&D manipulation by private firms, providing empirical evidence for policymakers to focus on sustainable business models in the face of increasing green economy demands.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103880>

#### **49. Diversified firms and corporate labor policy: The role of managerial equity incentives**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that managers of diversified firms make inefficient labor investment decisions, with a long-lasting positive relationship between diversification and inefficient labor investment. This suggests that self-seeking managers may strategically use diversification to obfuscate suboptimal behaviors, contributing to a broader understanding of corporate decision-making.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103893>

#### **50. Manufacturing enterprise digital transformation, manager cognition, and strategic Risk-Taking - Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The study explores how Chinese manufacturing companies use digital technology to improve strategic risk management. It reveals that the performance expectation gap negatively impacts risk-taking, and that digital cognition can moderate this relationship. The research provides guidance for decision-making in enterprise digital transformation and risk management.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103906>

#### **51. Decoding the nexus: How fintech and AI stocks drive the future of sustainable finance**

**Abstract:** This study examines the relationship between fintech, AI, and sustainable finance, revealing a more pronounced spillover effect on fintech than AI. The findings aid policymakers, investors, and financial institutions in formulating efficient market strategies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103877>

#### **52. Carbon emission disclosure and carbon premium - evidence from the Chinese bond market**

**Abstract:** This study analyzes bond credit spreads in Chinese listed companies, finding that carbon emission disclosure negatively impacts credit spreads. Quantitative disclosure methods are more beneficial than qualitative ones, and other pollutants also contribute to this effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103907>

#### **53. Tourism and economic growth: The role of institutional quality**

**Abstract:** This study evaluates the impact of institutional quality on tourism development's contribution to economic growth. Results show that high institutional quality countries experience greater economic benefits from tourism development, contributing to theories on the tourism economy.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103913>

#### **54. Does online payment promote the purchase of commercial insurance? Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The research explores the impact of online payments on commercial insurance purchases in China. Using data from the Chinese General Social Survey and China Household Finance Survey 2017, it was found that online payments increase the likelihood of purchasing commercial medical and endowment insurance, potentially improving risk protection levels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103894>

**55. An efficient allocation or financial distortion: Can employee stock ownership promote common prosperity within enterprises?**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of Employee Stock Ownership Plans (ESOPs) on a sample of Chinese A-share listed companies from 2012 to 2021. It finds that ESOPs significantly increase labor income share by enhancing management's bargaining power, reducing capital allocation, and promoting digital transformation. The effectiveness varies across companies, with ESOPs primarily adjusting employee income shares.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103905>

**56. Female socialization and the gender of new corporate directors**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of female socialization on the gender of new corporate board appointments. It suggests that incumbent directors are more likely to add a woman to their board if their networks of other boards have a high prevalence of women. The research contributes to the literature on board structure and female socialization.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103869>

**57. The new environmental protection law, ESG investment, and corporate innovation performance**

**Abstract:** The updated Environmental Protection Law in China significantly enhances corporate innovation performance, with ESG investment mediating the effect. However, the positive impact varies across regions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103916>

**58. Digital credit and insurance: Improving economic well-being for rural households**

**Abstract:** Digitally coordinated credit and insurance significantly enhances rural households' net incomes and farm incomes, particularly for younger, digitally engaged, and high-risk households, reducing credit rationing and enhancing risk resilience.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103912>

**59. Compliance to the mandatory CSR regulation and leverage adjustment: A quasi-natural experiment**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of mandatory corporate social responsibility (CSR) regulation in India on firms' leverage speed of adjustment (SOA). Results show compliance accelerates SOA, especially for firms facing higher asymmetry and constraints. The study also finds that compliance correlates with increased firm value.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103918>

**60. The disciplinary role of options trading: Evidence from earnings manipulation**

**Abstract:** Options trading negatively impacts earnings manipulation, diminishing managers' incentives and shareholder activism, particularly in firms with opaque disclosure or pre-Sarbanes-Oxley Act eras, indicating disciplinary channels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103910>

**61. Competition and tax avoidance: Evidence from quasi natural experiment of the implementation of Anti-Trust Law**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of product market competition on corporate tax avoidance using the Anti-Trust Law. Results show that monopolistic firms significantly increase tax avoidance compared to competitive firms, primarily due to declining corporate performance, increased business risk, and subjective dissatisfaction with regulatory authorities. The effect is more pronounced for firms in regions with lower tax administration.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103900>

## **62. Can upgrading development zones enhance regional entrepreneurial activity? Evidence from Chinese enterprise registration data**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of China's upgrading policy for development zones on urban entrepreneurship. It finds that local entrepreneurship is significantly enhanced, while surrounding activity is suppressed. The study also highlights the heterogeneity of urban characteristics and entrepreneurial enterprise characteristics, suggesting improvements in the development zone system.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103903>

## **63. Assessing the impact of the Central Line Project of South-to-North Water Diversion on urban economic resilience: Evidence from prefecture-level cities in Henan and Hebei provinces**

**Abstract:** The study explores the correlation between water supply and economic resilience in Henan and Hebei provinces, and the effectiveness of machine learning techniques in predicting stock indices volatility.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103904>

## **64. Can green investors improve the quality of corporate environmental information disclosure?**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of green investors on corporate environmental information disclosure quality in China's A-share listed companies from 2008 to 2022. Results show that green investors enhance disclosure through three channels: green innovation, financing medium, and media attention. The effect is more pronounced in state-owned enterprises and large firms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103901>

## **65. Online external attention vicariously monitors real earnings management along interlocking directors**

**Abstract:** The study examines the vicarious monitoring effect of online external attention on real earnings management (REM) in Chinese listed firms, revealing that social learning influences REM contagion among directors, providing regulators and stakeholders with a new tool for social governance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103902>

## **66. ESG performance and corporate labor investment efficiency: Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of ESG performance on corporate labor investment efficiency in the Chinese market. It finds that ESG can enhance labor investment efficiency, but managerial myopia and lack of financial expertise can hinder its positive effects. ESG is more effective in non-state-owned enterprises, low-intensity enterprises, and growth or maturity stages.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103909>

## **67. Green supply chains and high-quality development of enterprises under tax reduction and fee decrease**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of green supply chains on China's corporate growth, highlighting the role of tax relief and fee reduction policies in promoting high-quality development and sustainable economic growth.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103920>

### **68. Hybrid ML models for volatility prediction in financial risk management**

**Abstract:** The study uses advanced machine learning techniques to predict stock indices' volatility, revealing the Q-VMD-ANN-LSTM-GRU hybrid model consistently outperforms, enhancing risk management, investment decision support, and innovative trading strategies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103915>

### **69. Cross-country panel analysis justifying tighter control over short-term interest rates**

**Abstract:** The paper explores whether central banks' operational control can improve monetary policy effectiveness, focusing on the policy rate pass-through to bank lending rate. It shows that a narrower interbank market interest rate improves the policy rate pass-through to the lending rate. The results suggest a credible operational framework is crucial for maintaining effective interest rate channels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103868>

### **70. An enquiry into the monetary policy and stock market shocks in the US**

**Abstract:** This paper examines the relationship between monetary policy shocks and stock price shocks in the US from 1982 to 2022. Results suggest that positive stock price shocks increase investors' financial income, impacting consumption and investment, and have policy implications globally.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103925>

### **71. The influence of ESG responsibility performance on enterprises' export performance**

**Abstract:** The study highlights the importance of ESG criteria in sustainable capital market development, revealing that ESG performance positively impacts export performance, particularly through green technology innovation. However, integration into corporate strategies remains limited, requiring increased government oversight.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103917>

### **72. Sustainability strategy and financial performance in the insurance company**

**Abstract:** Insurance companies are increasingly focusing on sustainability, contributing to the UN Sustainable Development Goals and achieving climate neutrality by 2050. A study analyzing 167 insurance companies found that quality governance and sustainability-oriented practices improve financial performance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103924>

### **73. Have female executives made a difference?—The impact of female executives on cross-border mergers and acquisitions in listed companies**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of female executives on cross-border M&A activities in Chinese listed companies. Results show that female executives reduce risk tolerance and increase financial constraints, hindering the implementation of M&A strategies. Equity incentives can mitigate this effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103881>

### **74. Digital economy, financial literacy, and financial risk-taking in rural households**

**Abstract:** The study explores the link between the digital economy, financial literacy, and risk-taking in rural households. It finds that the digital economy enhances risk asset selection and participation in financial markets. Financial literacy plays a crucial role, with the digital economy affecting high-income, educated households and those with digital divides.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103922>

### **75. Social identity or social capital: Local CEOs and corporate ESG performance**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of local CEOs on corporate ESG performance in 1807 Chinese listed firms from 2010 to 2021. Results show that firms with CEOs' birthplaces in the same city have better ESG performance. Local CEOs prioritize ESG but are less engaged in CSR when facing financing constraints and macroeconomic uncertainty.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103926>

### **76. Policy-driven employment structure transformation: The role of innovation and education investment**

**Abstract:** This research explores the impact of Innovation and Entrepreneurship Demonstration Base (IEDB) policy on employment structure optimization in China, revealing that education investment and innovation capacity significantly enhance this process, highlighting regional variations.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103930>

### **77. Impact of economic policy uncertainty on corporate investment efficiency: Moderating roles of financing constraints and financialisation**

**Abstract:** The study examines the relationship between economic policy uncertainty and corporate investment efficiency in China's A-share listed firms. It finds that financing constraints moderate this relationship, particularly among companies with overinvestment tendencies, promoting prudent investment decisions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103897>

### **78. Green credit policy, media pressure, and corporate green innovation**

**Abstract:** This paper examines the relationship between green credit policies, media pressure, and corporate green innovation in China's A-share market from 2007-2022. Results show green credit policies enhance innovation, with media pressure acting as an intermediary.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103921>

### **79. Green finance and corporate environmental performance**

**Abstract:** This study explores green finance's impact on corporate environmental performance through technology upgrading and reputational capital. Results show that green finance enhances environmental performance, with state-owned enterprises showing stronger responses and high-polluting industries showing limited improvement.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103929>

### **80. The green development mechanism of the Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei coordinated development strategy in China: Novel evidence of green finance**

**Abstract:** The Beijing-Tianjin-Hebei (BTH) coordinated development strategy, a policy by the Chinese central government, has a positive effect on green development in Beijing and Tianjin, but not in Hebei. The study uses regression control to investigate the mechanism and finds that green finance can explain this heterogeneity.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103941>

### **81. Can accounts receivable factoring restrain corporate financialization? Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of accounts receivable factoring on corporate financialization in Chinese listed firms, finding that factoring can significantly restrain financialization, particularly in small, low-market, and high-tech firms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103928>

### **82. Artificial intelligence and innovation capability: A dynamic capabilities perspective**

**Abstract:** This study explores the relationship between artificial intelligence (AI) use and innovation capabilities in enterprises. It uses a chain mediation model, examining digital adaptability and market perception. Results show a positive correlation between AI use and innovation capabilities, providing guidance for improving efficiency.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103923>

### **83. In the heat of the moment, secrets will out: Oil price uncertainty and firm green innovation disclosure**

**Abstract:** The study explores the link between oil price volatility and corporate green innovation disclosure behavior in Chinese listed companies. It finds a positive correlation, moderated by factors like environmental performance and political connections. The study highlights the significant influence of energy uncertainty on information transparency in green innovation disclosure.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103934>

### **84. The evolution of “Acquaintance Society” in urban China**

**Abstract:** The "Acquaintance Society" is a fundamental concept in rural China, while urban Chinese society is often referred to as a "Stranger Society." However, the "Slight Acquaintance Society" is gradually reconstructed in urban contexts, promoting grassroots governance participation by the public without blurring personal boundaries.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103914>

### **85. New venture team faultlines and corporate innovation from the perspective of structuration theory**

**Abstract:** This study examines the faultline effect at the new venture team (NVT) level, focusing on risk-taking and internal controls. It finds that relationship-related faultlines negatively impact CI, while task-related faultlines positively. Reliable resources and the regional institutional environment moderate these relationships. The findings contribute to faultline theory and CI research.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103945>

### **86. Earnings informativeness, debt financing, and managerial characteristics**

**Abstract:** The study explores how earnings announcements' information content influences managerial ability and overconfidence in influencing debt financing choices. It found that overconfident managers are more likely to choose debt financing when earnings announcements are informative or contain good news, while less likely when they are uninformative or contain bad news.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103847>

### **87. Spillover effects between China's new energy and carbon markets and international crude oil market: A look at the impact of extreme events**

**Abstract:** The study uses the TVP-VAR-SV model to analyze the spillover effects of China's new energy sector, carbon market, and international oil markets during COVID-19 and the Russia-Ukraine conflict. It reveals significant time-varying and asymmetric characteristics, offering policy implications for emission reduction and low-carbon transformation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103939>

### **88. Debt's shadow: How leverage weighs down investment**

**Abstract:** This study explores the relationship between financial leverage and investment behavior in South Korean firms, finding a negative correlation, particularly in manufacturing and larger firms, and supporting theories of information asymmetry and agency conflicts.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103931>

### **89. Climate risk and corporate charitable donations –evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that climate risk significantly reduces corporate charitable donations in Chinese A-share listed companies from 2010-2022, particularly among non-state-owned firms, politically unconnected firms, and those receiving fewer government subsidies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103947>

### **90. Is new technology always good? Artificial intelligence and corporate tax avoidance: Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of artificial intelligence on corporate tax avoidance in Chinese A-share enterprises from 2008 to 2023. Results show that AI can increase high-skilled labor and intelligent input costs, promoting tax avoidance. Heterogeneity analysis reveals AI's influence is more significant in reduced tax regulatory intensity and increased tax burden. This research contributes to understanding enterprise intelligence development in the new era.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103949>

### **91. Institutional blockholder, exit threats, and firms CSR performance**

**Abstract:** The study explores the influence of non-financial blockholders on corporate social responsibility (CSR) practices in China's A-share listed companies from 2006-2019, highlighting stock liquidity as a key moderator.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103932>

### **92. The impact of different recommendation algorithms on consumer search behavior and merchants competition**

**Abstract:** The study examines the influence of neutral and non-neutral recommendation algorithms on platform market behavior, revealing that neutral algorithms boost profits, consumer surplus, and social welfare, while non-neutral algorithms harm these aspects, suggesting platforms should balance these algorithms for optimal resource allocation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iref.2025.103943>

## **International Review of Financial Analysis (Vol.99)**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/international-review-of-financial-analysis/vol/99/suppl/C>

### **01. Does the world need more traditional energy? A comparative analysis of ESG activities, free cash flow, and capital market implications**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that energy firms outperform non-energy firms in ESG metrics, with the USA and Europe leading. Financial flexibility is identified as a key driver, with greater net cash flow being a more pronounced positive association between being an energy firm and higher ESG performance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103919>

### **02. Green bond underwriting, financial openness, and profitability of commercial banks**

**Abstract:** This study examines the relationship between green bond underwriting, financial openness, and commercial bank profitability in Chinese listed banks from 2012-2022, finding that underwriting negatively impacts profitability, while financial openness enhances it, and bank size significantly moderates this relationship.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2024.103900>

### **03. Commercial credit supply in the digital economy era: Impact mechanisms and differences in property rights**

**Abstract:** This paper examines the impact of the digital economy on commercial credit supply in China's A-share listed companies from 2017 to 2022. It finds that the business environment and internal control partially influence this process, with the digital economy significantly stimulating credit provision regardless of property rights.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103931>

#### **04. Political corruption and corporate tax avoidance: A quasi-natural experiment**

**Abstract:** This study uses China's anti-corruption campaigns to examine the impact of political corruption on corporate tax strategies. Results show local corruption positively correlates with corporate tax avoidance, with CEO traits playing a significant role in moderating this relationship.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103917>

#### **05. Tax incentives, supply chain spillovers, and enterprise technological innovation**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of tax incentives on midstream enterprises' technological innovation from a supply chain perspective. It finds that tax incentives boost profitability, order volume, human capital, and fixed asset investment, particularly in nonstate-owned, highly competitive industries with low-concentration ratios.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103930>

#### **06. Can digital transformation of commercial banks reduce green credit risks?**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of digital transformation on green credit risk in 120 Chinese commercial banks from 2013-2021. It finds that strategic, business, and management digitalization contribute positively to mitigating risk. Management digitalization is the most significant, and national banks play a more significant role in reducing green credit risk.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103934>

#### **07. Government investment, human capital flow, and urban innovation: Evidence from smart city construction in China**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of smart city construction on urban innovation levels, focusing on government investment and human capital flow. Results show that smart city construction stimulates innovation through advanced human capital flow, with the eastern region playing a significant role.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103916>

#### **08. Can executive green experience improve enterprise total factor productivity? Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** This study explores the impact of executives' green experience on enterprise upgrading in China's A-share listed companies. Results show that green experience enhances total factor productivity (TFP) by attracting green investors and strengthening environmental governance. Establishing a sustainability committee also enhances this effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103914>

#### **09. Does the efficiency of capital allocation have spatial carbon emission spillover effects?**

**Abstract:** The study reveals a positive spatial spillover effect of capital allocative efficiency on carbon emissions across 29 Chinese regions from 2000 to 2017, with regional variations.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103938>

#### **10. The impact of digital finance on farmers' consumption decisions: An analysis based on the moderating effect of risk preference**

**Abstract:** The study analyzes the relationship between digital finance and rural household consumption in China using data from the 2015, 2017, and 2019 China Household Finance Survey. Results show that digital finance can promote consumption, with financial literacy mediating the relationship. The findings are crucial for developing targeted rural financial policies and promoting rural consumption growth.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103928>

### **11. Impact of environmental information uncertainty and market competition on corporate ESG performance**

**Abstract:** This study reveals that environmental information uncertainty negatively impacts corporate ESG performance in China's A-share non-financial listed companies, with varying effects across different life cycles. Market competition also positively affects ESG performance, but negatively in decline periods.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103935>

### **12. Tax-related information regulatory capacity and accounting information quality**

**Abstract:** This study examines the relationship between the Golden Tax III System and enterprise accounting information quality in Chinese A-share listed companies, revealing that digitized tax collection enhances transparency, supports government oversight, and contributes to corporate governance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103929>

### **13. Local fiscal pressure and new firm entry**

**Abstract:** This study in China reveals a negative correlation between local government fiscal pressure and new enterprise entry, suggesting that biased guidance towards large enterprises can inhibit small and medium-sized enterprises, highlighting the need for proactive policies amidst fiscal constraints.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103937>

### **14. The risk management effect of bank fintech: Evidence from stock price crash risk**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of bank fintech on stock price crash risk in Chinese banks and companies from 2011-2022. Findings show fintech reduces risk by alleviating financial constraints and avoiding short-term debt, particularly for privately-owned companies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103939>

### **15. Can banking concentration improve regional FinTech development?**

**Abstract:** The study examines the relationship between banking concentration and regional FinTech development, finding that higher concentration promotes regional FinTech development. Marketization and rule of law environments also impact development, with higher concentrations fostering technological innovation and favorable market environments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103936>

### **16. Impact and moderating mechanism of corporate tax avoidance on firm value from the perspective of corporate governance**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of corporate tax avoidance on firm value in Shanghai and Shenzhen A-share listed companies, finding that high-quality internal control mechanisms and independent directors mitigate negative effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103926>

### **17. Can tax reduction incentive policy promote corporate digital and intelligent transformation?**

**Abstract:** This study explores the impact of tax reduction incentives on digitalization and intelligence in A-share listed companies from 2016-2022. Results show that incentives enhance digitalization, financial stability, and enable digital technology adoption, with mediating effects varying.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103932>

### **18. Exploring the impact of economic recession indicators on global financial markets: A QVAR analysis**

**Abstract:** This study analyzes the connection and spillover effects between nine major stock exchange indices and economic recession indicators, SRRI and GRI, from May 1992 to December 1993. The findings show that economic recession indices significantly affect stock indices, especially in countries with close economic ties. The US and UK are major transmitters of recessionary shocks, indicating their crucial role in the global economic network.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103966>

### **19. National risk preference, insurance development and exports-a study based on the world values survey**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of national risk preference on exports in 23 exporting countries from 1993 to 2021, revealing that insurance development level significantly promotes exports, but substitution with national risk preference is limited.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103954>

### **20. Does the depth of digital trade rules promote bilateral value chain cooperation?**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of digital trade regulations on bilateral value chain cooperation in regional trade agreements, revealing that these regulations facilitate cooperation through four pathways: lower trade costs, investment effects, spatial knowledge spillovers, and optimized business environments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103952>

### **21. Strong financial regulation, shadow banking, and enterprise innovation inputs: A quasi-natural experiment based on the introduction of the “new regulation on asset management”**

**Abstract:** The 2018 China-issued asset management regulation (NRAM) significantly increased innovation input in enterprises with high shadow banking scale, particularly in firms with financial directors and supervisors, particularly in central and western China.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103949>

### **22. Examining blockchain's role in supply chain finance structure and governance**

**Abstract:** This study explores the impact of blockchain-enabled financing (BF) on supply chain finance, focusing on a three-tier model. BF offers enhanced security, reduced fraud risk, and smart contracts, improving supply chain operations and profitability.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103955>

### **23. The enhanced gain effects of ESG's non-linearity on portfolios: An asset pricing tree model perspective**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of ESG criteria on investment portfolio performance, revealing that non-linear integration of ESG data with financial data enhances returns, surpassing traditional financial metrics, and varies across different corporate entities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103971>

### **24. Fulfillment of environmental responsibility, targeted reduction of inclusive finance and corporate NPD innovation**

**Abstract:** The study investigates the link between environmental responsibility, inclusive finance reduction, and corporate innovation in new product development (NPD) in China's Shanghai and Shenzhen capital markets. Results show that reduced inclusive finance can boost innovation, especially in firms with limited financing and resources.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103950>

### **25. Internal business process governance and external regulation: How does AI technology empower financial performance?**

**Abstract:** The study analyzes the impact of AI on financial performance in 152 Chinese firms from 2011-2022. It finds that AI enhances operational quality, risk management, internal governance, and control, while also enhancing service derivative capability. However, the enabling effect is influenced by peer firms' imitation pressure, while government regulatory pressure is not significant.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103927>

## **26. Bank executive incentives and liquidity creation: Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** This study examines the liquidity creation of commercial banks in China using micro data from 2006 to 2017. It finds that political and salary incentives significantly influence liquidity creation, with stronger incentives for bank presidents than chairpersons. The executive promotion and compensation system affects political incentives, while salary incentives are ineffective. The "Four Trillion" stimulus package altered political incentives for large bank presidents and chairpersons.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103977>

## **27. Do suppliers value customer firms' digital transformation? Evidence from trade credit provision**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that Chinese public firms with higher digital transformation receive more trade credit from suppliers, improving their information environment, technical efficiency, and financial performance, thereby reducing default risks.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103976>

## **28. Financial technology and climate risks in the financial market**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that Fintech significantly increases climate risk in financial markets by enhancing investment efficiency and reducing information asymmetry, suggesting the need for government promotion in green finance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103920>

## **29. Environmental tightening, labor slackening: Unveiling the inefficiencies in labor investment**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of environmental policy stringency (EPS) on labor investment inefficiency in firms from 37 countries. Results show that heightened EPS exacerbates labor investment inefficiency, with enhanced ESG practices and green innovation as mitigating factors. The relationship is more pronounced in non-crisis periods and Asia.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103982>

## **30. Do female executives play a role in corporate green business philosophy?**

**Abstract:** Female executives significantly influence corporate green business philosophy in Chinese firms, influenced by their strong environmental consciousness, communication skills, and social capabilities. This effect is more pronounced in smaller, non-state-owned firms and high institutional investor shareholdings.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.irfa.2025.103972>

# **Journal of Accounting and Economics (Vol.79.1)**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-accounting-and-economics/vol/79/issue/1>

## **01. Measuring firm exposure to government agencies**

**Abstract:** Firm-level measures of exposure to government agencies, such as SEC and IRS, are influenced by industries, agency-specific events, and stock market reactions. Expanded SEC oversight boosts stock liquidity, reduced IRS oversight decreases effective tax rates.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101703>

## **02. Mitigating risk-shifting in corporate pension plans: Evidence from stakeholder constituency statutes**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of state stakeholder constituency laws on corporate pension risk shifting. Results show a reduction in funding, investment, and benefit risk following stakeholder orientation laws, particularly for firms with fewer investment opportunities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101704>

### **03. Fair value accounting standards and securities litigation**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of fair value standards on firms' litigation risk. It suggests that firms relying more on fair value standards are less likely to be sued. While there is no correlation between fair value and misstatements or fraud, the primary effect of fair value standards is to reduce litigation risk.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101705>

### **04. Green innovation and firms' financial and environmental performance: The roles of pollution prevention versus control**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of firms' green innovation on their financial and environmental performance, finding that pollution prevention investments positively affect future performance through sales growth and cost efficiency.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101706>

### **05. Do sell-side analysts react too pessimistically to bad news for minority-led firms? Evidence from target price valuations**

**Abstract:** Negative news impacts analysts' valuations 57% more for Non-White CEOs, leading to pessimistic valuations. This racial gap lacks economic justification and worsens with worse race relations. Educating stakeholders about biases can promote equality.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101707>

### **06. Executive compensation: The trend toward one-size-fits-all**

**Abstract:** The study reveals a recent trend in executive compensation plans, where 24% of variation has disappeared since 2006. This standardization may lead to lower shareholder value, as increased pay structure similarity may be influenced by institutional investors, proxy advisors, and expanded compensation disclosure.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101708>

### **07. Complexity of CEO compensation packages**

**Abstract:** The paper explores the complexity of CEO compensation contracts, revealing that it has significantly increased over time. The complexity is influenced by factors like efficient contracting and external pressures from consultants, investors, and benchmarking. The study finds that contract complexity is associated with lower future firm performance, partially mitigated by highly correlated performance metrics.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101709>

### **08. Transaction-level transparency and portfolio mimicking**

**Abstract:** The study explores if increased transparency in investment transactions encourages portfolio mimicking, finding significant increases in similarity at individual security levels, particularly in smaller insurers, and highlighting potential negative externalities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101713>

### **09. Foreign bank branch participation and U.S. syndicated loan contract design**

**Abstract:** The study explores how foreign bank branch participation in U.S. loan syndicates impacts loan contract design, finding that greater participation reduces flexibility-reducing covenants, features split control rights, and restricts positive net present value investments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101714>

### **10. Do signatory auditors with tax expertise facilitate or curb tax aggressiveness?**

**Abstract:** Research suggests tax-expert auditors reduce tax aggressiveness by reducing costs and attenuating tax-related misstatements. This is contrary to previous findings, as tax rates decrease, weakening the effect of tax-expertise.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101715>

### **11. Signaling innovation: The nontax benefits of claiming R&D tax credits**

**Abstract:** Firms claim R&D tax credits at IPO, indicating quality investments in innovation. These credits provide non-tax benefits, positively affecting future patenting, patent citations, and post-IPO stock returns.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101718>

### **12. Early-life experience and CEOs' reactions to COVID-19**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that early-life experiences of natural disasters and severe disease outbreaks influence CEOs' responses to the COVID-19 pandemic, leading to more conservative responses and negative corporate disclosures.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jacceco.2024.101734>

## **Journal of Banking and Finance (Vol.172)**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-banking-and-finance/vol/172/suppl/C>

### **01. Global currency hedging with ambiguity**

**Abstract:** This paper explores optimal currency allocation for risk-averse international investors using a robust mean-variance model, revealing that ambiguity increases demand for hedging and improves stability.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2024.107366>

### **02. CEO political ideology and payout policy**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that conservative CEOs pay higher dividends and share repurchases, financed by cash holdings and reducing capital and R&D expenditures, but not significantly impacting firm performance or value.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2024.107375>

### **03. The real effect of monetary policy under uncertainty: Evidence from the change in corporate financing purposes**

**Abstract:** The paper explores the "financing purposes (FP) channel," revealing that firms adjust FP in response to monetary policy shocks, with increased uncertainty affecting investment-related loans and real activities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107381>

### **04. Subjective expectations and house prices**

**Abstract:** House price variation in the U.S. is primarily driven by households' subjective cash flow expectations, despite insignificant subjective discount rate expectations, contrasting previous evidence.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2024.107377>

### **05. CSR scores versus actual impacts: Banks' main street lending during the great recession**

**Abstract:** Banks' CSR scores during the Great Recession influenced lending behaviors, with high-CSR banks reducing small business lending more than low-CSR counterparts, highlighting a misalignment between metrics and social impacts.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107380>

#### **06. Family firms in entrepreneurial finance: The case of corporate venture capital**

**Abstract:** Family firms, led by family CEOs, are key drivers of corporate venture capital deals in the US, accounting for nearly 30% of deals from 2000 to 2017. This strategy, involving frequent syndicates, reputable investors, and larger syndicates, increases the likelihood of successful exits.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107391>

#### **07. Windfall gains and stock market participation: Evidence from shopping receipt lottery**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of cash windfalls on stock market participation and portfolio diversification in Taiwan, finding that winning receipt lotteries increases participation probability by 1.09 percentage points, but does not significantly diversify portfolios.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2024.107378>

#### **08. Right-to-work laws and venture capital investment**

**Abstract:** The study reveals that right-to-work laws significantly increase venture capital investment, particularly in unionized and technologically advanced states, despite potential local economic conditions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107383>

#### **09. Bank competition and formation of zombie firms: Evidence from banking deregulation in China**

**Abstract:** Bank competition can reduce the prevalence of zombie firms by reducing the formation of distressed firms and increasing the likelihood of them obtaining zombie lending, as demonstrated in a quasi-natural experiment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107390>

#### **10. Retreating from risks: Household stock market participation in a protectionist era**

**Abstract:** The 2018-19 US-China trade war significantly reduced household stock market participation, influenced by increased tariffs and industry composition. This was due to decreased income, increased volatility, risk aversion, and negative economic views.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107392>

#### **11. Does FinTech coverage improve the pricing efficiency of capital market? Evidence from China**

**Abstract:** Chinese firms with more FinTech advisory coverage experience less market synchronicity, improved stock price accuracy, and lower financing costs. Diverse topics, including finance, corporate governance, and negative sentiment, contribute to this effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107396>

#### **12. Racial violence, political representation, and the threat to banks as open access institutions**

**Abstract:** The study examines how racial violence impacts bank participation, finding that events causing violence decrease new account openings, while increased political representation and protections increase account openings.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107382>

#### **13. Air pollution and household stock market participation**

**Abstract:** Air pollution significantly impacts household stock market participation, reducing financial risk taking and affecting health, unemployment risk, cognitive performance, and mood, affecting portfolio choice and well-being.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107397>

#### **14. Stock split signalling: Evidence from short interest**

**Abstract:** The study confirms the split signaling hypothesis by examining sophisticated investors' reactions to stock split announcements, finding a significant reduction in short interest, positively related to signal strength.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jbankfin.2025.107394>

### **Journal of Development Economics (Vol.173)**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/173/suppl/C>

#### **01. On the properties of the two main types of global poverty lines**

**Abstract:** This paper compares two types of global poverty lines: objective and welfare-based, focusing on heterogeneous prices and preferences. Results show the World Bank's International Poverty Line cannot consistently reflect fixed achievements.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2024.103396>

#### **02. The local human capital costs of oil exploitation**

**Abstract:** The paper examines the impact of oil exploitation on human capital accumulation in Colombia, revealing that while it doesn't affect higher education enrollment, it may negatively affect human capital by delaying enrollment decisions and incentivizing talent allocation away from STEM fields.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2024.103410>

#### **03. What matters for the decision to study abroad? A lab-in-the-field experiment in Cape Verde**

**Abstract:** Study abroad migration is growing, but low-income students' college completion rates are modest. In Cape Verde, students react strongly to financial support availability, potentially shifting time to work.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2024.103401>

#### **04. Labor market effects of bounds on domestic outsourcing**

**Abstract:** Peru's 2022 regulations on outsourcing reduced it by 1.7 percentage points, but did not significantly impact employment, wages, or labor formalization, despite slight increases in labor force participation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2024.103406>

#### **05. Better strategies for saving more: Evidence from three interventions in Chile**

**Abstract:** An experiment comparing automatic savings plans, monthly reminders, and a rule-of-thumb package found that automatic and default rules increase savings for one year, while reminders reduce account balances and debt levels. Savings decrease with increased withdrawals.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2024.103405>

### **Journal of Economics (Vol.144.2)**

<https://link.springer.com/journal/712/volumes-and-issues/144-2>

#### **01. Reallocation costs, reference-dependent profit function and inefficiency**

**Abstract:** This paper introduces a reference-dependent profit function to explain inefficiency in firms, demonstrating its usefulness in quantifying firms' catch-up to reach production frontiers.

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00712-024-00886-7>

#### **02. Aggregation of directional distance functions and industrial efficiency: a note**

**Abstract:** Briec et al.'s 2003 study demonstrates that industrial and structural efficiency are identical in cost aggregation contexts when all firms use the same technology, produce a single output, and maintain constant returns to scale.

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00712-024-00880-z>

### **03. Signaling games with a highly effective signal**

**Abstract:** The study explores signaling games where the highest utility signal induces an action, with multiple pooling equilibria. The neologism-proof equilibrium is useful for selecting the most plausible equilibrium, while pooling equilibria survive divinity and refinements.

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00712-024-00882-x>

### **04. Working from home, wages, housing prices, and welfare**

**Abstract:** The paper examines the impact of working from home (WFH) on wages, housing prices, utilities, and welfare in a simple model, considering two types of workers and two cities, with varying commuting costs.

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s00712-024-00878-7>

## **Journal of Economics and Business (Vol.133)**

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-economics-and-business/vol/133/suppl/C>

### **01. Market behaviors around bankruptcy and frozen funds withdrawal: Trading stranded assets on FTX**

**Abstract:** This study explores the impact of liquidity funding shocks on cryptocurrency markets and traders' behavior. It uses a natural experiment where FTX prohibited withdrawals, revealing substantial trading during stranded asset periods, and revealing traders' flight to safety.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106196>

### **02. Is bitcoin an inflation hedge?**

**Abstract:** Spot bitcoin ETFs in the U.S. have sparked interest in crypto. Analysis shows bitcoin returns increase after positive inflation shocks, indicating it can act as an inflation hedge. However, its hedging property is context-specific.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106218>

### **03. Pricing efficiency in cryptocurrencies: The case of centralized and decentralized markets**

**Abstract:** This article compares Ethereum's weak market efficiency in Bitcoin, Dai, and USDT using data from Uniswap-V2 and Binance. It shows that larger rolling window sizes increase efficiency, and Uniswap-V2 exhibits superior market efficiency compared to Binance. The study highlights the influence of network upgrades in trading platforms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106224>

### **04. Perception towards government advisory, perceived risk and willingness to invest in cryptocurrency**

**Abstract:** The study examines the relationship between investor perception of government advisories on cryptocurrencies, perceived risk, and willingness to invest in cryptocurrencies. Results show that cautionary advisories reduce risk perception but do not significantly impact investment willingness.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106208>

### **05. How does digital financial inclusion affect households' CO<sub>2</sub>? Micro-evidence from an emerging country**

**Abstract:** This study explores the link between digital financial inclusion and households' CO<sub>2</sub> emissions, using a unique Chinese survey panel dataset. Results show digital inclusion increases non-renewable energy consumption and indirectly reduces emissions, particularly in cities with the Carbon Trade Policy.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106222>

#### **06. Relative impact of digital and traditional financial inclusion on financial resilience: Evidence from 13 emerging countries**

**Abstract:** The study examines the impact of traditional and digital financial inclusion on perceived financial resilience, focusing on 33933 individuals from 13 emerging economies. Results show savings have the largest positive impact on financial resilience, with digital borrowing having a smaller effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2025.106233>

#### **07. Impacts of FinTech funding announcements on traditional banks: An event study analysis**

**Abstract:** This study examines how FinTech funding announcements impact traditional banks' stock prices, revealing that digital lending FinTechs have a more significant impact than digital capital raising and payment FinTechs.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jeconbus.2024.106231>

#### **08. Payment systems innovations, substitutive effects, and the real economy: The intervening role of currency holdings and excess reserves**

**Abstract:** The paper highlights the importance of efficient payment systems in financial intermediation, recommending a shift to electronic systems to reduce cash usage, enhance deposit intermediation, credit creation, and economic growth.

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### **Journal of Environmental Management (Vol.375)**

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#### **01. How to combine SBR and A/O process for pollutant removal in treating digested effluent of swine wastewater**

**Abstract:** The study compared the performance of single-stage sequencing batch reactor (SBR) and anoxic/oxic process (A/O) systems in treating swine wastewater. Results showed that the SBR-A/O system showed better pollutant removal efficiency, attributed to higher sludge concentration, sludge specific activity, and functional bacterial abundance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124189>

#### **02. Europe's extra-territorial mineral trade and clean energy metamorphosis in a landscape of multifaceted risks**

**Abstract:** This study examines the impact of extra-territorial energy transition minerals (ETMs) on the clean energy objectives of 24 European nations. Results show that financial stress negatively affects mineral imports, while geopolitical risk intensification has minimal impact. Efficient financial resource allocation and strategic risk management are needed.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124123>

#### **03. Ultrasonic cavitation treatment of o-cresol wastewater and long-term pilot-scale study**

**Abstract:** This study explores the use of acoustic cavitation for degrading o-cresol, a common phenolic pollutant, and evaluates its application potential. Results show that ultrasonic cavitation effectively treats high concentrations of o-cresol, with minimal initial concentration impact.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124208>

#### **04. Efficient removal of cationic malachite green using co-pyrolyzed corn straw biochar-montmorillonite composites**

**Abstract:** The study explores the use of corn straw in co-pyrolyzing with montmorillonite to create biochar-clay composites, which show potential as a contaminant sorbent for environmental remediation and water treatment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124224>

**05. A data-driven framework to identify influencing factors for soil heavy metal contaminations using random forest and bivariate local Moran's I: A case study**

**Abstract:** A data-driven framework was developed to identify influencing factors for heavy metal (HM) contaminations in Guangdong Province, China. The framework identified petrol stations, railways, groundwater depth, soil pH, hazardous waste disposal sites, mine tailings, and rainfall as key factors. The framework provides valuable information for prevention and control measures.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124172>

**06. Greening but enhanced vegetation water stress in the Yellow River Basin: A holistic perspective**

**Abstract:** The Yellow River Basin (YRB) is experiencing global vegetation greening due to climate change and human activities. Research shows an increasing trend in gross primary productivity and water use efficiency, with water stress factors transitioning from monthly to seasonal levels. This highlights the need for ecological security.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124139>

**07. Asymmetric role of board diversity on green growth mechanism: Evidence from COP27 framework**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of board diversity on green growth, renewable energy, social inclusion, and natural capital protection in US non-financial firms. Findings suggest a non-linear relationship between diversity and green growth, but suggest enhancing diversity for better results.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124113>

**08. Optimizing nitrogen fertilization rate to achieve high yield and high soil quality in paddy ecosystems with straw incorporation**

**Abstract:** A 15-year field experiment found that nitrogen fertilization significantly improved rice yield and plant N uptake under non-flooded conditions with plastic film mulching. Straw return treatment, coupled with 135 kg N application rate, was deemed suitable for sustainable rice production with plastic film mulching, despite lower soil quality index.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124158>

**09. Integrated omics analyses elucidate acetaminophen biodegradation by *Enterobacter* sp. APAP\_BS8**

**Abstract:** Acetaminophen (APAP) is a contaminant of emerging concern due to inefficient treatment technologies. This study evaluates *Enterobacter* sp. APAP\_BS8, which degrades APAP in 16 days in microcosms, revealing potential enzymatic machinery for sustainable bioremediation technologies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124215>

**10. Does climate policy uncertainty shape the response of stock markets to oil price changes? Evidence from GCC stock markets**

**Abstract:** The study explores how climate policy uncertainty (CPU) affects the sensitivity of Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) stock markets to oil price changes, finding that CPU negatively moderates the link between oil price changes and stock market returns.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124229>

**11. Slow sand filters with variable filtration rates for rainwater purification: Microecological differences between biofilm and water phases**

**Abstract:** This study evaluates the performance of slow sand filters (SSFs) in rainwater purification, comparing bacterial community structure, assembly processes, and molecular ecological interactions between biofilm and water phases. Activated carbon and activated alumina filters showed best performance for NH<sub>4</sub><sup>+</sup>-N removal. The study enhances understanding of microecology in SSFs and promotes rainwater biological treatment technology.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124210>

## **12. Is digital-green synergy the future of carbon emission performance?**

**Abstract:** This study integrates digital technology and green finance to shift towards a low-carbon economy. It shows that green finance and digital technology enhance carbon emission performance, particularly in central and western regions. The study suggests policy initiatives that promote industrial upgrades, alleviate financial mismatches, and reduce information asymmetry.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124156>

## **13. Elucidating molecular characteristics of organic compounds during ozone micro-bubbles treatment based on GC × GC-QTOF-MS and non-targeted analysis**

**Abstract:** This study investigates the molecular-level transformation of organic compounds during ozone micro-bubbles (OCBs) treatment of wastewater. OCBs showed higher removal rates of organic compounds, increased total mass transfer coefficient, and reduced the presence of higher molecular weight and unsaturation degrees. This research contributes to the exploration of OCBs technology's potential.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124196>

## **14. The integrating of environmental sustainability assessment by using bipolar complex fuzzy soft Aczel-Alsina aggregation operators with EDAS approach**

**Abstract:** Environmental sustainability involves responsibly engaging with the world, preserving ecosystems and natural resources for future generations. This involves investigating bipolar complex fuzzy soft (BCFS) Aczel-Alsina aggregation operators (AAAOs) and using EDAS to solve sustainability problems.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2024.123642>

## **15. The impact of digital technology innovation on energy-saving and emission reduction based on the urban innovation environment**

**Abstract:** This study examines the relationship between digital technology innovation (DT) and energy-saving and emission reduction (ESER) in 270 Chinese cities. Findings suggest DT boosts ESER performance, indirectly pushes ESER, and is more advantageous in cities with better human capital.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124176>

## **16. Optimized hydrothermal carbonization of chicken manure and anaerobic digestion of its process water for better energy management**

**Abstract:** This study optimizes chicken manure (CM) through hydrothermal carbonization (HTC) and anaerobic digestion (AD) for energy recovery. The optimal conditions result in hydrochar with a higher heating value and improved methane yield, offering an efficient strategy for CM valorization.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124191>

## **17. Mitigating negative impacts of drought on oak seedlings performances through plant growth-promoting rhizobacteria**

**Abstract:** Drought stress in arid and semiarid Mediterranean ecosystems can be mitigated using plant growth promoting rhizobacteria (PGPR). Native PGPR strains from drought-tolerant tree and shrub species were used to improve morphological and physiological traits of Brant's oak seedlings. PGPR application significantly influenced traits, with *B. cereus* and *Bmix* efficiently improving seedling quality. This cost-effective and ecologically sustainable method can produce oak seedlings better adapted to water-scarce environments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124163>

**18. Simultaneous removal of nitrate, carbamazepine, and copper by fulvic acid and ferric chloride composite modified ceramsite assembled fixed biofilter reactor: Performance and microbial community response**

**Abstract:** The study presents a novel modified ceramsite material, Ceramsite@Fe(III)@FA (HC), as a biocarrier for enhancing nitrate removal in micro-polluted water, achieving 97.0% removal efficiency, and maintaining a stable microbial community.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124212>

**19. Evolutionary analysis of ecological-production-living space-carrying capacity in tourism-centric traditional villages in Guangxi, China**

**Abstract:** This study examines ecological-production-living space (EPLS) carrying capacity in Guangxi, China, focusing on tourism-centric villages. Using remote sensing imagery, it found a decline between 2006 and 2015, but increased from 2015 to 2021, with Pingyan Village showing the most significant growth.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124182>

**20. Integration of manganese ores with activated carbon into constructed wetland for greenhouse gas emissions reduction**

**Abstract:** The study investigates the effects of manganese oxide and activated carbon on nutrient removal and greenhouse gas emissions in constructed wetlands. Results show improved removal efficiencies, reduced global warming potential, enhanced manganese cycling, and enhanced denitrification efficiency in CW-MC, providing insights for improved performance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124205>

**21. Evaluating challenges and policy innovations for renewable energy development in a circular economy: A path to environmental resilience in Saudi Arabia**

**Abstract:** Saudi Arabia is transitioning to renewable energy and a circular economy model under Vision 2030 to reduce GHG emissions. However, challenges include lack of regulatory support, high investment costs, and skilled workforce. Top priority actions include community engagement, diversifying funding sources, and educational partnerships.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124124>

**22. Assessing the potential effects of climate change on the morphodynamics of the tropical coral reef islands in the Gulf of Mannar, Indian Ocean**

**Abstract:** Tropical coral reef islands are vulnerable to global environmental change due to anthropogenic climate change and extreme hydrodynamic events. Erosion and inundation are expected to destabilize these islands, making them uninhabitable within the next century. A study using Landsat satellite imagery found that some islands have disappeared, while others have reduced their footprint. The study suggests that continuous monitoring is crucial for developing nature-based solutions to minimize erosion and enhance biodiversity, climate resilience, and community livelihoods.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124122>

**23. Integrating circular economy policies in urban policy making: Strategies for green energy and environmental management to reinforce city image in China**

**Abstract:** This research explores the core concepts of circular economy (CE) policies in urban environments, focusing on practices like remanufacturing, reusing, and recycling. It uses fuzzy Analytical Hierarchy Process and fuzzy VIKRITERIJUMSKO KOMPROMISNO RANGIRANJE to assess key factors and strategies for integrating CE into sustainable urban policy making in China.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124128>

## **24. Do market-based environmental regulations always promote enterprise green innovation commercialization?**

**Abstract:** Market-based environmental regulations impact green innovation commercialization in an inverted U shape relationship, with technical factors improving commercialization quality. Non-technical factors, such as market development level and regional green innovation capacity, moderate this relationship. Policymakers should optimize regulation's nonlinear impact.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jenvman.2025.124183>

## **25. How partisan news outlets frame vested interests in climate change**

**Abstract:** The study analyzes US news media discourse on climate change, revealing a divide in public opinion despite warnings. It suggests that climate change reporting does not align with scientific conclusions, potentially fueling the American debate on the issue. The findings suggest a partisan divide.

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# **Journal of Financial Stability (Vol.77)**

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## **01. Stress testing OTC derivatives: Clearing reforms and market frictions**

**Abstract:** A stress-testing network model reveals that mandatory collateralisation of bilateral OTC derivatives reduces counterparty and systemic risks, while market frictions increase liquidity risk and systemic losses.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101388>

## **02. Organization capital and labor investment efficiency**

**Abstract:** Organization capital (OC) positively impacts labor investment efficiency, with higher OC resulting in lower deviations from optimal levels. OC improves retention of talented employees and reduces agency costs.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101384>

## **03. A network approach to interbank contagion risk in South Africa**

**Abstract:** The South African banking sector's resilience is studied using a dynamic agent-based model and DebtRank algorithm, revealing a correlation between interbank-lending-to-equity ratio and vulnerability.

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## **05. Too big to fail? Asymmetric effects of quantitative easing**

**Abstract:** The study explores the impact of Federal Reserve liquidity support on firms' capital structures, finding that large firms increase debt financing and leverage ratios, while smaller firms receive more support.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101385>

## **06. The ECB's APP's impact on non-financial firms' cost of borrowing and debt choice**

**Abstract:** The ECB's Corporate Sector Purchase Programme (CSPP) significantly influenced non-financial firms' debt financing choices, reducing spreads for corporate bonds and syndicated loans, and influencing borrowing costs.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101387>

#### **07. Stock liquidity and corporate climate performance: evidence from China**

**Abstract:** Stock liquidity significantly impacts corporate climate performance in China, with increased liquidity leading to lower carbon emissions. This effect is more pronounced for enterprises with severe financial constraints, equity dependence, and pollution-intensive sectors.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101389>

#### **08. The performance of FDIC-identified community banks**

**Abstract:** The FDIC's 2012 re-defined community bank status improved financial stability and reduced risk, with lending and deposit structures mediating these effects, suggesting a "warm glow" effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101394>

#### **09. Bank diversity and financial contagion**

**Abstract:** The paper examines financial contagion in a banking system, revealing that asset commonality increases vulnerability to liquidity shocks and determines network structures' resilience, impacting macroprudential regulation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jfs.2025.101392>

#### **10. The digital dilemma: Corporate digital transformation and default risk**

**Abstract:** The study reveals a strong positive correlation between digital transformation and corporate default risk in Chinese-listed firms, highlighting underappreciated risks to financial stability.

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### **Journal of Monetary Economics (Vol.150)**

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#### **01. The alpha beta gamma of the labor market**

**Abstract:** A panel dataset of US workers reveals heterogeneity in employment transitions. Three latent types are identified:  $\alpha$ s,  $\beta$ s, and  $\gamma$ s.  $\alpha$ s quickly leave unemployment due to trade gains, while  $\gamma$ s exit slowly due to small gains. A negative shock to aggregate productivity leads to persistent unemployment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103695>

#### **02. Comment on the alpha beta gamma of the labor market**

**Abstract:** The paper highlights the significant heterogeneity in lifetime labor market histories, demonstrates how introducing new sources of heterogeneity into search models can account for this heterogeneity, offering valuable insights.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103720>

#### **03. How to fund unemployment insurance with informality and false claims: Evidence from Senegal**

**Abstract:** The paper examines the welfare effects of unemployment insurance benefits in Senegal, focusing on informal workers and fraudulent claims. Results show large liquidity gains and minimal moral hazard, with program design affecting welfare gains.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103699>

#### **04. Heterogeneous job ladders**

**Abstract:** The study explores wage growth rates for poor and rich workers, revealing that poor workers have higher employer-to-employer transition rates but worse-paying firms. The research

proposes a structural framework to understand the wage gap and the quality of labor market transitions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103711>

#### **05. Joint search over the life cycle**

**Abstract:** The added worker effect is stronger for young households, driven by high spousal earnings potential and limited access to self-insurance. This age-dependency is predicted to be influenced by unemployment benefit extensions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103696>

#### **06. Income differences and health disparities: Roles of preventive vs. curative medicine**

**Abstract:** The rich spend more on healthcare early, while the poor outspend them by 25% from middle to old age in the US. Expanding insurance coverage and subsidizing preventive care could improve welfare.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103698>

#### **07. Occupational reallocation within and across firms: Implications for labor market polarization**

**Abstract:** The study examines labor market frictions and firms' reallocation of workers during labor market polarization in Germany and the US, finding that within-firm reallocation significantly impacts employment decline in routine occupations.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103701>

#### **08. Shaping inequality and intergenerational persistence of poverty: Free college or better schools?**

**Abstract:** The study evaluates the welfare consequences of government education policies promoting college completion, focusing on the optimal combination of tuition subsidies and better schools to make college affordable and reduce dropout risk.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103694>

#### **09. Singles, couples, time-averaging, and taxation**

**Abstract:** The study examines tax reforms in an incomplete markets model, examining the effects on workers' abilities, marital statuses, and ages. It finds that flat-rate taxes and stylized versions of negative income taxes (NIT) and earned income tax credits (EITC) have diverse effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmoneco.2024.103702>

#### **10. Discussion of “Singles, Couples, Time-Averaging, and Taxation”**

**Abstract:** The discussion discusses Holter, Ljungqvist, Sargent, and Stepanchuk's work on labor supply and taxation, highlighting its potential for combining micro and macro research.

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