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Journal of Public Economics (Vol.243)

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01. Effects of speed-schools in Niger

Abstract: The study evaluates a two-year accelerated education program in Niger, finding that it increased lower secondary education and literacy rates, but did not significantly impact beliefs about marriage age, gender equality, well-being, or hazardous work.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105307>

02. Testing above the limit: Drinking water contamination and test scores

Abstract: Poor water quality in North Carolina affects students' academic achievement, decreasing math scores by 0.038 standard deviations when uninformed, potentially impacting retention and comprehension of material throughout the school year.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105313>

03. OK Boomer: Generational differences in teacher quality

Abstract: Recent generations of elementary school teachers are more effective in raising math test scores, with Black students showing larger improvements than White students.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105318>

04. Vote early and vote often? Detecting electoral fraud from the timing of 19th century elections

Abstract: The paper presents a new method for detecting electoral fraud, focusing on repeaters voting in multiple states during 19th Century Congressional Elections. Results show decreased county-level turnout rates, stronger in secret ballot states and competitive open-seat elections.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105317>

05. Campaign contributions and legislative behavior: Evidence from U.S. Congress

Abstract: The study reveals that campaign contributions negatively impact legislative behavior of elected representatives, particularly in bill sponsorship, speechmaking, and witness appearances. This suggests that a skewed contribution structure may distort their motivations.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105319>

06. Property taxation as compensation for local externalities: Evidence from large plants

Abstract: This study examines the impact of large industrial plants on local property tax payments, revealing that these payments compensate for local harms and may be internalized by local governments in development decisions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2024.105294>

07. Recession experiences during early adulthood shape prosocial attitudes later in life

Abstract: The study reveals that early adult recession experiences, particularly during impressionable years (18-25), negatively impact prosocial attitudes, particularly among men, and are related to democratic experiences.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105327>

08. Effects of restrictive abortion legislation on cohort mortality evidence from 19th century law variation

Abstract: Recent studies show permissive abortion policy improves child well-being, but 19th-century restrictive policies show no significant changes in birth rates, but increased susceptibility to infectious disease.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105329>

09. (Not) Everyone can be a winner — The role of payoff interdependence for redistribution

Abstract: In a zero-sum environment, individuals perceive inequality differently, leading to higher redistribution and a higher likelihood of supporting the Democratic party.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105320>

Regional Science and Urban Economics (Vol.111)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/regional-science-and-urban-economics/vol/111/suppl/C>

01. Manhattan Transfer: Heterogeneous productivity effects of agglomeration in American authorship

Abstract: Agglomeration in American authors' careers positively impacts publication propensity, with New York City having a stronger effect on younger authors and works with lasting influence, correlated with industry concentration and maturity.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104061>

02. Evaluating the long-run effects of zoning reform on urban development

Abstract: The paper presents a framework for assessing the long-run effects of zoning reform on urban development, housing supply, and dwelling prices, using a monocentric model and evaluating a recent Auckland reform.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104062>

03. The elected official next door

Abstract: The paper investigates if city council member election results in highly localized benefits within neighborhoods. Using housing prices, it finds that housing prices significantly increase for houses close to a newly elected councilmember's residence.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104075>

04. Skills and the city in China

Abstract: The paper explores China's spatial distribution and urban wage premiums of skills, revealing an increasing concentration of occupations requiring more cognitive tasks. Large cities show enhanced cognitive skill matching and stronger learning effects for workers with higher skills.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104082>

05. Leases over real property

Abstract: The paper presents a model analyzing property damage in housing, analyzing market rents, rent control regimes, and tenant wealth. It predicts improved housing quality and rent prices for poor tenants.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104087>

06. Neighborhood impacts on human capital accumulation of adolescents and young adults in Montevideo

Abstract: The study examines the impact of neighborhood on education outcomes for adolescents and young adults in Montevideo, finding strong effects for boys and family income buffering.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104085>

07. Administrative areas and regional identity formation: The case of East Germany

Abstract: The study explores the impact of changing regional administrative structures on citizens' identification with their regions. It reveals that counties with unclear state affiliation experienced a decrease in voter turnout in state elections after 1990, indicating that uncertainty about regional affiliation can hinder political engagement.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104088>

08. Interaction of public and private employment: Evidence from a German government move

Abstract: The study examines the impact of the German government's move from Bonn to Berlin on local employment. Results show a positive effect of public sector expansion on private sector employment, with a local multiplier of 1.32-1.35, primarily driven by the service sector.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104084>

09. Work-from-home and cities: An elementary spatial model

Abstract: The paper examines the urban effects of hybrid work-from-home (WFH) using Leontief utility and production functions. It reveals that WFH increases wage and land consumption, shrinks business districts, and reduces business land rent. It also shows that WFH reduces office-building values and flattens residential rent gradients.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104086>

10. Voluntary retirement savings in China: A spatial ordered probit approach

Abstract: The study uses a spatial ordered probit model to analyze voluntary retirement savings decisions in China, finding a strong positive correlation among high-income and low-income workers, with government-managed basic pension participation being the strongest predictor.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104090>

11. Equal price for equal place? Demand-driven racial discrimination in the housing market

Abstract: An online study in Luxembourg showed that sellers with sub-Saharan African surnames were offered lower prices, leading to an appraisal penalty of EUR 20,000. This bias likely affects final sales prices and may be primarily due to statistical discrimination.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2025.104089>

12. Ethnicity and health at work during the COVID-19

Abstract: The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted health-work-related illnesses and injuries differently among different ethnic groups and genders. Men were less likely to work, while women were more likely to work. Mixed Ethnic and Pakistani women had higher work-related illness risks, while white men and other ethnic groups had lower risks. Long-term illness varied by ethnicity and gender, highlighting the need for targeted policies to promote equitable outcomes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104083>

Research in International Business and Finance (Vol.74)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/research-in-international-business-and-finance/vol/74/suppl/C>

01. Board gender diversity, CEO power and LGBTQ-supportive corporate policies

Abstract: The study examines the impact of board gender diversity and CEO power on LGBTQ-supportive policies in Fortune 500 firms. Results show that having three or more female directors on the board positively correlates with LGBTQ-supportive policies. However, CEO informal power has a positive effect on these policies. High female director representation reduces the negative impact.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102664>

02. In the name of the law: How does legal distance affect US international mutual funds' financial performance?

Abstract: The research examines the impact of legal features on the financial performance of international mutual funds, analyzing 1160 US equity mutual funds from 2000-2021. Results show that managers exposed to distant markets risk investor performance, with larger stock markets potentially alleviating this effect.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102661>

03. Decentralized autonomous organizations: The new global digital venture capital

Abstract: A content analysis of 10 DAO VC whitepapers reveals key components promoting investor trust, including registration, permissioned access, token-based voting, staking, dynamic voting duration, adaptive quorum systems, organizational support structures, and comprehensive whitepaper sections.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102671>

04. Climate risk perception and oil financialization in China: Evidence from a time-varying Granger model

Abstract: This study measures oil financialization in China using Shanghai crude oil futures and Shanghai composite index data. Results show a lower level of financialization, suggesting the market is independent of the stock market. Climate risk perception also has a non-constant effect on oil financialization, highlighting the importance of bounded rationality decision and signal theory.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102662>

05. Determinants of credit spreads and cash flow-related lending in commercial real estate

Abstract: The study explores credit spreads and underwriting practices in non-recourse commercial real estate loans, revealing that default risk and credit spreads are influenced by cash flow and property value changes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102669>

06. Relational capital's contribution to international success: Evidence from family-owned wineries and olive oil mills in Spain

Abstract: This study explores relational capital's role in family businesses' internationalisation strategies, focusing on Spain's olive oil and wine sectors. Results show that higher family involvement increases internationalization success, resulting in higher sales, resource commitment, and geographical scope.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102651>

07. Climate policy and corporate green transformation: Empirical evidence from carbon emission trading

Abstract: The study examines the impact of carbon trading policy on firms' green transformation in China's carbon market, finding that it promotes green innovation and environmental performance, with no industry or regional spillover effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102675>

08. Financial flexibility or financial constraints? Zero-leverage firms during the COVID-19 pandemic

Abstract: The study analyzes zero-leverage firms' investment and debt financing during the COVID-19 crisis, revealing that their motivation is to preserve financial flexibility. Zero-levered firms experienced a smaller decline in investment and increased leverage, utilizing their excess debt capacity to finance cash flow shortfalls and maintain investment rates.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102663>

09. Do foreign institutional investors curb carbon emissions? Evidence from an emerging economy

Abstract: The study investigates the impact of foreign institutional investors on Chinese listed firms' corporate carbon emissions from 2010 to 2019. Results show a negative effect, particularly in regions with strong green innovation and firms with agency problems and information asymmetry. The research underscores the importance of foreign institutional investors in addressing environmental issues in emerging economies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102665>

10. Harnessing digital finance for sustainability: An integrative review and research agenda

Abstract: This study aims to unify the fragmented literature on sustainable digital finance and present a conceptual framework for advancing sustainability goals. It analyzes publication trends, citation trends, and themes emerging from the field. The findings provide seven relevant themes and four prominent aggregate dimensions for future research and policy implications.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102682>

11. Private equity and financial distress: A bibliometric literature review

Abstract: This paper reviews literature on the impact of private equity on portfolio companies' financial distress, finding that PE-backed companies have a higher risk of distress but avoid insolvency due to effective corporate governance mechanisms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102674>

12. Extreme risk connection among the European Tourism, energy and carbon emission markets

Abstract: The article explores the risk connectedness patterns and causality relationships between European Tourism and the Energy and Carbon Emissions Market, revealing asymmetric characteristics, reduced vulnerability during bear markets, and significant correlations.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102693>

13. Common institutional ownership and executive pay-performance sensitivity: Mediating role of information transparency and fund occupation

Abstract: This study evaluates executive compensation contracts using pay-performance sensitivity (PPS) and common institutional ownership (CIO) data from publicly traded companies. It reveals PPS, information transparency, and fund occupation mediating effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102695>

14. Environmental protection interview and corporate environmental investment: Evidence from China

Abstract: The study reveals that enhanced environmental law enforcement boosts corporate environmental investment in China, particularly in non-state-owned sectors and manufacturing industries, highlighting the importance of macro-level environmental policies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102694>

15. Multi-media textual information, COVID-19 sentiment and bond spread

Abstract: Study reveals negative sentiment on multi-media platforms increases corporate bond spread, despite fundamental changes. Consistency of sentiment across platforms reduces credit spreads but amplifies sentiment impact.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102657>

16. Crossroads of volatility spillover: Interactions between Islamic and conventional financial systems

Abstract: The study explores volatility spillover in Islamic and conventional financial systems, revealing intersectoral clusters affected by their own volatility, with conventional sectors dominating spillover effects, improving risk assessment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102700>

17. Easing the squeeze: How do acquisitions relieve target firms' financial constraints?

Abstract: The study explores how acquisitions alleviate financial constraints in private firms. It reveals that targets' internal financing improves after acquisitions, allowing them to retain higher earnings and borrow interest-free capital, while also receiving better external financing.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102673>

18. How do Chinese urban investment bonds affect its economic resilience? Evidence from double machine learning

Abstract: The study uses a double machine learning model to examine the impact of urban investment bonds on economic resilience in 239 Chinese cities, revealing that these bonds promote infrastructure development.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102728>

19. Controlling shareholder's escape threat: Foreign residency rights and stock price crash risk

Abstract: The study reveals that foreign residency rights (FRRs) significantly increase stock price crash risk in Chinese firms, particularly those with less conservative accounting, fraud, and litigation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102707>

20. The effect of political connections on earnings management: Evidence from ECB-supervised banks

Abstract: The study explores the impact of political connections on earnings management in 58 ECB-supervised banks, finding a non-linear U-inverted relationship, with moderate connections favoring discretionary practices.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102711>

21. Can the development of e-government make local enterprises more attractive to foreign capital: Empirical evidence from the performance of Chinese local government websites

Abstract: This study investigates the impact of e-government on foreign capital attraction in emerging economies like China. It finds that e-government enhances local enterprises' attractiveness to foreign capital by reducing uncertainty and sales costs. This research has practical implications for promoting high-level opening-up and attracting foreign investment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102717>

22. Does ESG performance affect trade credit financing? Evidence from China

Abstract: The study reveals that ESG performance positively impacts trade credit financing for Chinese companies, reducing corporate risk, enhancing product competitiveness, and improving information disclosure quality, particularly for companies with lower supplier and customer concentration.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102715>

23. Detecting, characterizing, and predicting arbitrage opportunities in international rights issues

Abstract: A study of 2583 capital increases by companies in 27 countries found that market anomalies, such as arbitrage opportunities, may arise due to discrepancies between newly issued shares and existing ones. Factors like new share proportion and stock index listing influence these anomalies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102719>

24. Class imbalance Bayesian model averaging for consumer loan default prediction: The role of soft credit information

Abstract: The study explores the predictive value of soft information for consumer loan defaults using Bayesian model averaging. It assigns unequal weights to machine learning sub-models, incorporating variables. The framework uses Shapley additive explanations and Bayesian information criterion. Empirical research shows user online behavior significantly predicts loan defaults.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102722>

25. Controlling shareholder equity pledging and tone management: Evidence from China

Abstract: The study reveals that controlling shareholder equity pledging (CSEP) positively impacts the tone management of corporate annual reports, particularly in firms with shorter CEO tenures, distracted investors, and higher analyst attention.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102709>

26. The spillover effects between renewable energy tokens and energy assets

Abstract: The study explores the interconnectedness of renewable energy tokens, fossil fuels, and conventional markets using a quantile-based approach, revealing time-varying spillovers, weak connections, and conventional dominance in extreme quantiles.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102672>

27. Green investments and their effect on ESG ratings: An empirical analysis of Chinese publicly traded companies

Abstract: This research examines the impact of green investments on the Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) ratings of Chinese publicly listed corporations, revealing that green investments enhance stakeholder interactions and reduce environmental risks.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102670>

28. Sustainable synergy: Static and dynamic nexus between ESG and BRICS equity markets

Abstract: This study examines the connection between ESG leader indices and BRICS equity markets, revealing moderate transmission and increased system integration during COVID-19. It suggests investors should increase ESG investment for diversification, but hedging becomes expensive during turbulent periods.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102698>

29. Do past ESG scores efficiently predict future ESG performance?

Abstract: This paper proposes a machine learning-based model using past ESG scores and ratings to predict future ESG performance. Validated in BIST sustainability index companies, the model offers a simple yet effective alternative to complex data-driven methods, advancing sustainable finance practices and aligning corporate strategies with global sustainability standards.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102706>

30. A legal origins perspective on ESG rating disagreement

Abstract: The article suggests that legal origins theory may influence ESG rating disagreement, with civil law firms showing lower correlation disagreement and lower dispersion disagreement across rating providers.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102702>

31. Sustainability-linked bonds, corporate commitment and the cost of debt

Abstract: A study on 252 corporate sustainability-linked bonds found that firms with higher step-up clauses do not benefit from reduced debt costs. Longer coupon step-up periods reduce debt costs. The study emphasizes the importance of financial and qualitative factors.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102658>

32. Greenwashing prevention in environmental, social, and governance (ESG) disclosures: A bibliometric analysis

Abstract: Greenwashing threatens ESG reporting accuracy and reliability, complicating decision-making and financial markets. Academic literature highlights the complexity of greenwashing, highlighting the need for detection measures and prevention tools to ensure sustainability reporting reliability.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102720>

33. Achieving energy resilience: The joint role of environmental policy stringency and environmental awareness

Abstract: The study explores the relationship between environmental policy stringency, public awareness, and energy resilience in 32 OECD countries. It finds a positive relationship between these variables, highlighting the importance of increased environmental awareness for climate change mitigation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102692>

34. Balancing ecology and finance: The impact of carbon performance on dividend payout policy

Abstract: The study examines the impact of corporate carbon performance on dividend payout policy, finding that firms with lower carbon emissions pay more dividends, indicating a balance between stakeholders' needs. However, post-2015 Paris Agreement pressure reduces dividend distribution, and the positive effect is more pronounced for profitable companies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102710>

35. The clout of happiness and uncertainty in the environmental transition: Insights from CO2 and clean energy dynamic spillovers

Abstract: The study examines the relationship between clean energy, CO2 emissions, economic uncertainty, and happiness sentiment during the environmental transition. It finds strong dynamic spillover effects, net spillover transmitters, and greater sensitivity to investor sentiment fluctuations, offering insights for investors and regulators.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102699>

36. Energy transition, institutional quality, and financial development in Africa

Abstract: The study explores the impact of institutional quality and financial sector size on renewable energy development in 31 African countries. Results show institutional quality significantly influences low-carbon transition, while financial sector size is crucial for countries with lower RE share.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102666>

37. Green finance for achieving environmental sustainability in G7 countries: Effects and transmission channels

Abstract: The study explores the impact of FinTech, green finance, and environmental policy on achieving environmental sustainability in G7 countries, revealing that green finance reduces CO₂ emissions, environmental innovation mediates this relationship, and FinTech enhances its effectiveness.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102691>

38. Long-span multi-layer spillovers between moments of advanced equity markets: The role of climate risks

Abstract: This paper explores potential spillovers between developed stock markets' returns, volatility, skewness, and kurtosis under rare disaster events, revealing significant spillovers and the predictive power of temperature anomalies in this process.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102667>

39. How does climate policy uncertainty shape corporate investment behavior?

Abstract: The study examines the impact of climate policy uncertainty on corporate investment in Chinese A-share listed companies from 2008 to 2022. It found that increased uncertainty leads to a decrease in corporate investment, particularly for state-owned enterprises and high-carbon-emitting companies. However, the study also found that managerial climate attention and good ESG ratings can mitigate the negative effects of climate policy uncertainty. The study also found that the COVID-19 pandemic significantly amplified the effects of climate policy uncertainty on corporate investment. The findings remain valid after robustness tests, providing insights for corporate investment behavior in the face of climate policy uncertainty.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102696>

40. Green bond market stability and Russia Ukraine conflict: The role of green inclusive finance

Abstract: The Russia-Ukraine conflict has impacted global bond markets, with green inclusive bonds showing stronger resilience. The conflict has impacted both markets, with green inclusive bonds experiencing lower volatility.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102734>

41. Collaboration and regulation: A dual regulatory game for the sustainable development of green housing

Abstract: The study suggests that promoting green housing can reduce energy consumption and greenhouse gas emissions, but risks like greenwashing and loan defaults necessitate stronger government supervision and collaboration between developers and residents. Recommendations include stronger incentives and penalties.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102697>

42. Investor sentiment and market returns: A multi-horizon analysis

Abstract: The study examines the relationship between investor sentiment and stock market returns using a Facebook dataset. It uses the Vector Error Correction Model and advanced machine learning algorithms to reveal an equilibrium-restoring mechanism and predict abnormal returns on the Vietnamese stock market index.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102701>

43. Do economic policy uncertainties matter for economic growth? Evidence from MIDAS approaches

Abstract: The study explores the relationship between economic policy uncertainties (EPUs) and GDP growth in China, using Granger causality tests and MIDAS quantile regression. Results show asymmetric effects, particularly during slower growth periods, and can aid policymakers.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102704>

44. Newly-constructed Chinese geopolitical risk index and trade stock returns

Abstract: The study develops a Chinese Geopolitical Risk Index, predicting excess returns on Chinese trade stocks, particularly for state-owned firms. Its predictive power increases post-pandemic and Sino-US trade disputes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102705>

Resources Policy (Vol.102)

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01. Conditions for sustainable platinum mining: Insights from artisanal and small-scale mining in Colombia

Abstract: The article explores the conditions for sustainable artisanal and small-scale Platinum mining in Colombia, focusing on environmental, social, economic, and institutional dimensions. It suggests coordinated interventions, including environmental enforcement, poverty reduction, infrastructure development, and anticorruption measures, to enhance local development and global supply diversification.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105487>

02. Toward sustainable development: Unfolding the nexus among exports, foreign direct investment, capital formation, natural resource rent, unemployment, and low-carbon transition in Morocco

Abstract: This study explores the relationship between Morocco's industrial growth, FDI, gross capital formation, unemployment, and low-carbon transition, revealing that exports of goods and services significantly contribute to CO₂ emissions, while foreign direct investments are crucial for sustainable development.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105490>

03. Towards sustainable resource management: A national assessment of historical mining waste in Poland

Abstract: The study presents findings from a Poland-wide program identifying historical mining heaps, sedimentation ponds, and industrial waste dumps. The initiative evaluates waste streams for potential secondary metal sources, focusing on critical resources. The research highlights the importance of a comprehensive historical waste inventory in transitioning to a circular economy and suggests a framework for evaluation in other regions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105482>

04. An overview of the coal circularity in Brazil: A new sustainable approach based on sampling method, characterization, and waste valorization

Abstract: Brazil's coal reserves are significant, but 50% is discarded as waste. A study identifies four groups of residual fractions for specific applications, highlighting the importance of systematic waste sampling and evaluation in promoting sustainable coal mining practices.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105496>

05. Understanding and defining the social license to operate: Social acceptance, local values, overall moral legitimacy, and 'moral authority'

Abstract: The term 'Social licence to operate' (SLO) has various meanings, including social acceptance, moral values, and community acceptance. It highlights the complex relationship between social acceptance and moral legitimacy in industry operations, and discusses potential equivocation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105488>

06. Transitioning the mining industry to a greener economy: An Asian perspective of mineral demand

Abstract: The study highlights the challenges faced by the Asian mining industry in transitioning to a greener economy, highlighting the need for a balanced approach integrating economic viability, environmental protection, and social responsibility, and suggests policy interventions and strategic industry actions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105483>

07. Do natural threats matter for natural resources rents? Global evidence

Abstract: This study examines the impact of natural resource rents on climate change, revealing that exposure to natural hazards decreases rents, while a lack of adaptation strategies increases them. The findings highlight the importance of adaptation strategies to mitigate natural resource rent-seeking activities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105509>

08. Tracing gendered and classed dimension of formalization of artisanal and small-scale mining efforts in Mozambique

Abstract: This paper examines gendered and class inequities in formalization of artisanal and small-scale mining policies in Africa, revealing that these efforts primarily benefit men, reducing women's access to livelihoods and highlighting the need for further investigation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105507>

09. Artisanal and small-scale mining, institutional arrangements and vulnerability of cocoa farmers in the Wassa Amenfi East and West Districts, Ghana

Abstract: The study found that state institutions in Ghana's mining districts lack direct policies to protect cocoa farmers from artisanal and small-scale mining activities, making them vulnerable to livelihood shocks. The study recommends effective implementation of laws and policies, and collaboration among state institutions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105495>

10. Social license to operate of Tulu Kapi Gold Mining, Western Ethiopia

Abstract: This study assesses the impact of social license on mining development in Tulu Kapi Gold Mining in Western Ethiopia, revealing low trust indexes among elders, women, and landless households, deteriorating community-companies relationships and reducing operations effectiveness.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105508>

11. Sustainable contributions of the use of phosphorus, potassium, coal and natural stone mine wastes in soil improvement and agriculture – A review

Abstract: This study reviews literature on the use of selected mining wastes in agriculture and soil improvement. It determines their sustainability contributions and the high level of sustainability they contribute. The study suggests that these wastes can be effectively combined with other wastes for sustainable use.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105506>

12. A novel optimization model for the dig-limit definition problem in open pit mines with multiple destinations

Abstract: A novel optimization model for defining optimal dig-limits for open-pit mining has shown an average profit improvement of 7.3% compared to manual draw-limits. The model includes a wide range of destinations, capacity and blending constraints, and differential selectivity by equipment.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105510>

13. Circular economy in the mining industry: A bibliometric and systematic literature review

Abstract: This study analyzed 136 peer-reviewed articles from 2000 to 2024 on the circular economy in the mining sector. It identified key themes, trends, and future directions. Future research should

focus on tailings and waste management, regulatory challenges, sustainable value chains, and mine closure strategies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105513>

14. Gold and Bitcoin as hedgers and safe havens: Perspective from nonlinear dynamics

Abstract: The study examines the hedge and safe-haven properties of gold and Bitcoin against various financial asset classes, finding they exhibit multifractality, self-similarity, and market inefficiency, respectively.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105489>

15. Natural resources dependence and climate vulnerability: Do women's political empowerment and political ideology make the difference?

Abstract: The article examines the impact of natural resources on climate vulnerability, highlighting the role of women's political empowerment and political ideology in mitigating this effect, particularly in left-wing governments.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105511>

16. Impact of emerging technologies on corporate social responsibility in mining industry

Abstract: The study examines the impact of emerging technologies on Chinese mining companies' CSR practices, finding that while technology improves environmental performance and safety, its long-term social welfare remains mixed.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2024.105454>

17. Effects of economic complexity and metallic mineral resources on renewable energy transition in developing countries

Abstract: This study examines the impact of economic complexity and metallic minerals on renewable energy consumption in 77 developing countries. Results show a negative relationship between mineral resources and renewable energy consumption, but a positive moderating effect. Policymakers should focus on economic complexity.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105512>

18. Adoption of circular economy practices in the mining sector: Evidence from Chile

Abstract: The study explores Circular Economy (CE) practices in the mining sector, highlighting the need for clear communication of industrial production system goals, input sources, and resource state. Using Chile as an example, the study demonstrates potential for CE adoption in the mining sector, but also highlights challenges.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105514>

19. Innovation in rare earths recycling: A quantitative and qualitative analysis of patent data

Abstract: Rare earth elements (REE) are crucial for digital and decarbonization, but their extraction has high environmental impact. Circular economy solutions could reduce supply risk and mitigate REE mining impacts. China is the most attractive market for REE recycling patents, with US and Japan being more technologically advanced.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105519>

20. Born with a silver spoon but raised as a beggar: Fresh empirical investigations into the resource curse thesis in Africa

Abstract: This study examines the impact of natural resources on sustainable development in 44 African economies from 1996-2022. Results show that resources negatively affect economic development, while promoting social and environmental sustainability. Good governance is crucial for mitigating resource rents' negative effects.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105522>

21. Government subsidies and industrial chain resilience: Evidence from Chinese resource-based enterprises

Abstract: This study explores the impact of government subsidies on industrial chain resilience in resource-based enterprises. It finds a significant U-shaped relationship, with subsidies improving supply management efficiency, increasing customer dependence, and boosting product quality. The research supports the need for increased subsidies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105525>

22. Is the time-varying frequency connectedness across crude oil prices, geopolitical risk, economic policy uncertainty, and foreign exchange rates different between Asian and non-Asian countries?

Abstract: The study uses a time-varying frequency connectedness framework to compare systemic risk dynamics between Asian and non-Asian countries, revealing that non-Asian foreign exchange rates transmit risk, while Asian markets are more sensitive to geopolitical uncertainty.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105518>

23. Cumulative Energy Demand and Global Warming Potential of metals and minerals production: Assessment, projections and mitigation options

Abstract: The study estimates cumulative energy demand and global warming potential for 50 metals and 22 non-metallic commodities, revealing iron and steel, aluminum, and cement production as the dominant contributors. The study suggests enhanced recycling and electric arc furnace technology can reduce energy demand and greenhouse gas emissions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105516>

24. Do political cooperations and regulations manage Africa's sustainable mineral policy?

Abstract: This study examines factors influencing mineral dependency in 10 African countries, revealing trade openness, economic development, and increased mineral rent increase dependency. International collaborations and regulations counteract these effects, suggesting aggressive international cooperation and partnership opportunities.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105494>

25. Green taxes innovation and energy imports in advancing renewable transitions in developing countries

Abstract: The study explores the impact of green taxes on sustainable energy importation in 20 developing economies from 2005-2021, finding a negative correlation with green taxes, a positive correlation with exchange rates, and challenges.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.resourpol.2025.105517>

26. Responsibility of the private sector to fossil fuels transition through ESG awareness

Abstract: The study shows that a 1% increase in ESG investing boosts short-term and long-term private energy infrastructure investment in 20 OECD countries, suggesting that enhancing regulations, standardizing reporting, and promoting green technology are key.

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The British Accounting Review (Vol.57.2)

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/the-british-accounting-review/vol/57/issue/2>

01. Managing the shift from voluntary to mandatory climate disclosure: The role of carbon accounting

Abstract: The transition to mandatory climate disclosure presents challenges for accounting professionals, including carbon data availability, reporting boundaries, and integrating climate-related risks into financial statements.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2025.101594>

02. Carbon accounting for the translation of net-zero targets into business operations

Abstract: The study examines how accounting mediates in translating global decarbonization goals into net-zero organizational targets, focusing on the Science Based Targets initiative, revealing friction points hindering effective corporate decision-making.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2024.101456>

03. The role of science-based targets on carbon mitigation: Addressing the tension between net zero anxiety and economic growth

Abstract: The study explores the impact of science-based targets (SBTs) on corporate decarbonisation commitment, finding that adoption leads to significant carbon reduction, decarbonisation occurs over time, and doesn't harm profitability.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2024.101491>

04. The effects of extreme high temperature spells on financial performance

Abstract: Extreme high temperature spells significantly impact EU and UK firms' financial performance, with degraded performance in hotter regions and opposite effects in cooler ones. Limited mitigation measures and limited ESG scores suggest a need for more guidance.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2024.101383>

05. Dynamics of carbon risk, cost of debt and leverage adjustments

Abstract: The study examines the impact of carbon risk on corporate leverage adjustment from 2006-2020, focusing on the energy sector. Results show that firms with low borrowing costs adjust faster, while those with high carbon risk do not.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2024.101353>

06. Uncovering the intensity of climate risk and opportunity: Awareness and effectiveness

Abstract: The study explores the impact of climate change awareness on US S&P 500 companies' carbon management systems. Findings show a positive association between risk and opportunity, with science-based targets leading to significant carbon reduction. Firms with low profitability are more responsive to risks.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bar.2024.101469>

The North American Journal of Economics and Finance (Vol.76)

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01. Systemic risk and network effects in RCEP financial markets: Evidence from the TEDNQR model

Abstract: This paper examines the spillover effects of stock market risk among RCEP countries using a systemic risk management framework. It uses CoES as a risk measurement metric and tail-event driven dynamic network quantile regression to identify influential factors.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102317>

02. A further examination of sovereign domestic and external debt defaults

Abstract: This study explores the interplay of political, economic, and financial factors in predicting external and domestic sovereign debt defaults across diverse regions, offering policy implications.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102322>

03. Green bonds and clean energy stocks: Safe havens against global uncertainties? A wavelet quantile-based examination

Abstract: This study examines the role of Green Bonds (GB) and Clean Energy Stocks (CLE) in sustainable finance, revealing that GB provides stronger protection against economic risks, while CLE shields against geopolitical risks. It emphasizes the importance of green assets as hedges.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102310>

04. ESG rating divergence and stock price crash risk

Abstract: The study reveals that greater ESG rating divergence reduces stock price crash risk by triggering investor attention and improving voluntary corporate disclosure, with the relationship moderated by firm size and ownership structure.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102323>

05. Inflation synchronization and shock transmission between the eurozone and the non-euro CEE Economies: A wavelet quantile VAR approach

Abstract: The study explores inflation spillover between non-euro CEE countries and the euro area, using wavelet methodology and parametric quantile VAR estimation. Results show high spillover during high inflation regimes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102334>

06. Unveiling the gold-oil whirl amidst market uncertainty shocks in China

Abstract: This study examines the interaction between crude oil and gold markets amid uncertainty, revealing significant causal links and spillover effects. It suggests gold and crude oil act as receivers of uncertainty, with spillover effects more pronounced during extreme conditions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102333>

07. The impact of outcome uncertainty on corporate investment compensation peer effects

Abstract: The study reveals a positive relationship between firms' own and compensation peers' investments, with a negative moderate effect due to outcome uncertainty and inaccurate information disclosure.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102349>

08. Greater fragility, greater exposure: A network-based analysis of climate policy uncertainty shocks and G20 stock markets stability

Abstract: The study explores the impact of climate policy uncertainty shocks on stock market stability in G20 economies, revealing that robust financial systems show resilience, while emerging markets show longer recovery periods.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102343>

09. Managerial response to institutional investor distraction

Abstract: Institutional investors' distraction reduces innovation output, reducing firm idiosyncratic risk. Managers respond by decreasing risk, but executive compensation doesn't change. Instead, executives increase insider sales percentage.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102342>

10. Factors of predictive power for metal commodities

Abstract: Forecasting studies reveal significant changes in commodity prices over the past 20 years, with interest rates and financial market indices dominating. Out-of-sample forecasts outperform benchmark models in 12 cases.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102309>

11. Does the VIX act as the main transmitter of mispricing in index futures markets? Insights from European and American regions

Abstract: The study investigates the interconnected mispricing of index futures in European and American markets from 2008 to 2023, focusing on the Volatility Index (VIX) and transaction costs. Results show significant mispricing driven by market volatilities, with VIX amplifying systemic connectedness.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102341>

12. Cryptocurrency market spillover in times of uncertainty

Abstract: The study reveals that liquidity spillovers in the cryptocurrency market increase significantly during market shocks, with Ethereum being the dominant transmitter.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102347>

13. How does the supplier size similarity affect trade credit?

Abstract: Supplier bargaining power is influenced by market position and top supplier size similarity. In China, it's inverted U-shaped, with increased size affecting trade credit provisions and competition. Poor business environment or market crisis affects competition.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102346>

14. The divergence of China's prices under economic policy uncertainty shock: A time-varying perspective

Abstract: The study explores the impact of economic policy uncertainty (EPU) on macro price divergence in China, suggesting that policymakers should increase transparency to mitigate the adverse effects of EPU shocks.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102345>

15. Identifying risk transmission in carbon, energy and metal markets: Evidence from a novel quantile frequency connectedness approach

Abstract: This paper examines the risk transmission mechanism of carbon, energy, and metal markets, highlighting their interconnectedness and the importance of portfolio diversification. It suggests holding more metals in portfolios for better risk mitigation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102354>

16. How does news-driven monetary policy frictions affect nonperforming loans?--Taking Chinese commercial banks as an example

Abstract: The study uses machine learning and financial news to analyze monetary policy frictions' impact on nonperforming loans in Chinese commercial banks, suggesting government transparency in policy transmission.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102353>

17. International extreme sovereign risk connectedness: Network structure and roles

Abstract: The study uses network topology measures to model international extreme sovereign risk spillovers and understand shock propagation. It reveals that system- and country-level measures are sensitive to global events, with greater total risk spillover strength increasing the probability of outbreaks.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102355>

18. The role of ESG factor in stock clustering based on risk-return-liquidity dimensions

Abstract: The study analyzes ESG stocks' return, risk, and liquidity, finding no systematic effect over seven years. Governance scores show greater significance, suggesting ESG's financial importance in decision-making.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102350>

19. Economic policy uncertainty, investor sentiment and systemic financial risk: Evidence from China

Abstract: This study examines the relationship between economic policy uncertainty (EPU), investor sentiment, and systemic financial risk using the TVP-FAVAR model. It reveals stable short- and medium-term effects, strong micro investor sentiment impact, and cross-market contagion mechanisms.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102356>

20. Creditable bonds' multifunctional roles during the COVID-19 pandemic

Abstract: The study explores the role of investment-grade corporate bonds during the pandemic, revealing their superior performance compared to stock indices, their role as a safe haven, and the asymmetric impacts of relief policies and interest rate hikes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102348>

21. Reaction of the U.S. Treasury market to economic news when intrapersonal uncertainty and interpersonal disagreement are high

Abstract: The study explores how individual beliefs and uncertainty affect market reactions to economic news, finding that high belief disparities reduce price changes, volatility, and trading volume correlation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102357>

22. Investment opportunity strategy in a double-mean-reverting 4/2 stochastic volatility environment

Abstract: This paper addresses investment-timing and valuation of real options using the double-mean-reverting 4/2 stochastic volatility model. It uses an asymptotic analysis approach and numerical experiments, demonstrating relative errors less than 0.3%, justifying the asymptotic approach.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102358>

23. Exploring the dynamic impact of transaction taxes on market quality in HFT and non-HFT environments: An agent-based modeling approach

Abstract: The study examines the impact of transaction taxes, high-frequency trading (HFT), and market quality using agent-based modeling. Results show that high-frequency trading negatively impacts market quality, while moderate tax rates may improve it. The study also highlights the diversity of transaction tax policies across global stock markets.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102360>

24. Finance and collusion in oligopolistic markets

Abstract: The sustainability of product market collusion in a bank-financed oligopoly is influenced by financial constraints. Low to moderate financial constraints make collusion more sustainable, while complete financial constraints may decrease its sustainability. This holds true for both Cournot and Bertrand competition models.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102351>

25. The impact of volatility regime dynamics on option pricing

Abstract: The paper examines the impact of stochastic volatility and Markov regime switches on option pricing, revealing that volatility level significantly influences regime shifts. The study also suggests that the adjusted closed-form formula improves at-the-money option pricing accuracy and efficiency.

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26. Connectedness of cryptocurrency-related stocks and the cryptocurrency market: Evidence from the United States

Abstract: The study explores the increased interconnectedness between cryptocurrency markets and NASDAQ Blockchain Economy Index stocks during the COVID-19 pandemic, revealing pronounced volatility spillovers.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102344>

27. Optimal venture capital entry–exit strategy with jump–diffusion risk

Abstract: The paper presents a dynamic model for studying venture capitalists' entry and exit decisions, revealing a correlation between the optimal premium upon exit and the start-up firm's value during the M&A offer. The model also suggests postponing M&A offers leads to increased optimal premiums.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2024.102359>

28. Does corporate digital transformation improve capital market transparency? Evidence from China

Abstract: Digital transformation significantly enhances enterprise information transparency, particularly in non-technological, high-ownership, and intellectual property-protected enterprises, with potential mechanisms including reducing management myopia and increasing news media supervision.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102363>

30. Market broadening and future volatility: A study of Russell 2000 and S&P 500 equal weight ETFs

Abstract: The study examines the relationship between market broadening and future volatility in the U.S., using monthly data from 2003-2024. Findings support an inverted-U hypothesis, suggesting gains are concentrated among mega-cap stocks and reducing future volatility.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102369>

31. Valuing catastrophe equity put options with liquidity risk, default risk and jumps

Abstract: This paper explores the pricing problem of catastrophe equity put options (CatEPuts) with liquidity risk, using Markov modulated Poisson processes and Escher transformation. It demonstrates that CatEPuts can effectively hedge catastrophic risks, highlighting the importance of risk factors and jump diffusion processes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102365>

32. Detecting corporate ESG performance: The role of ESG materiality in corporate financial performance and risks

Abstract: This study examines the impact of SASB ESG Scores on financial performance and risks, finding a positive correlation between scores and improved financial performance, operational efficiency, and risk mitigation.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102370>

33. An early prediction model on systemic risk under global risk: Using FinBERT and temporal fusion transformer to multimodal data fusion framework

Abstract: The study examines the impact of public confidence on systemic risk in the banking industry. It found that positive and negative public confidence have a greater impact on systemic risk than macro variables. The most significant factors affecting systemic risk include month, negative public information, interest rate, quasi-leverage, and GDP growth rate.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102361>

34. A predictive term-spread model in the age of inflation targeting

Abstract: A novel real economy endowment model analyzes the relationship between US government bond yield curve shape and future economic growth, revealing that the slope and curvature of the yield curve predict economic growth.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102364>

35. Which uncertainty measure better predicts gold prices? New evidence from a CNN-LSTM approach

Abstract: The study proposes a CNN-LSTM neural network to predict gold prices using uncertainty measures like EPU, IDEMV, and VIX. This model improves predictive accuracy, providing insights into portfolio diversification and risk management practices.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102375>

36. Environmental tax reform and corporate tax avoidance: A quasi-natural experiment on China's environmental protection tax law

Abstract: The 2018 China Environmental Protection Tax Law (EPTL) intensifies corporate tax avoidance among polluting firms in regions with rising environmental tax rates, driven by higher operational risks, political connections, and market bargaining power.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102367>

37. Real-time GARCH@CARR: A joint model of returns, realized measure of volatility and current intraday information

Abstract: This paper introduces a Real-time GARCH@CARR model, incorporating real-time information from high-frequency data. The model outperforms benchmark models in forecasting volatility, return density, and risk.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102368>

38. Multi-step double barrier options under time-varying interest rates

Abstract: The study proposes a method for pricing multi-step double barrier options under time-varying interest rates, incorporating random jumps at various time points. This allows for more comprehensive depiction of the random nature of underlying price movement, addressing the unrealistic nature of constant interest rates during economic scenarios.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102372>

39. Subjective probability distributions of nonlinear payoffs: Recovering option payoff, agent's utility, and pricing kernel distributions

Abstract: The paper presents a method for recovering subjective probability distributions of nonlinear payoffs from option prices, examining historical behaviors and theoretical relationships between expected option returns and pricing kernels.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102362>

40. Imported risk in global financial markets: Evidence from cross-market connectedness

Abstract: The study proposes a cross-market connectedness network to investigate imported risk in global financial markets, identifying key drivers and examining the impact of economic policy uncertainty, geopolitical risks, and external financial conditions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102374>

41. Bank liquidity supply and corporate investment during the 2008–2009 financial crisis

Abstract: The study reveals that firms with pre-crisis credit lines significantly reduced investment during the 2008-2009 financial crisis, highlighting the importance of credit line maturity in explaining investment outcomes.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102371>

42. Mutual fund style drift measured using higher moments and its cash flow incentive

Abstract: The paper presents a multi-objective optimization model for identifying mutual fund investment styles, revealing that style drift is pervasive and persistent, with low cash inflows positively affecting style drift behavior.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102373>

43. Explosiveness in the renewable energy equity sector: International evidence

Abstract: The paper examines explosiveness in renewable energy equity sectors in the U.S., China, and Europe, using a novel methodology and connectedness framework. Results show significant episodes, but limited co-explosivity and decreased connectedness between sectors and broader stock markets.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102378>

44. Strategic cooperation in fintech field and efficiency of commercial banks

Abstract: Strategic cooperation between banks and fintech companies enhances efficiency by improving profitability, digital management, cost control, risk preference, and easing constraints on efficiency, thereby alleviating credit tightening issues.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.najef.2025.102377>

45. A penalized U-MIDAS multinomial logit model with applications to corporate credit ratings

Abstract: The penalized U-MIDAS-Mlogit model, introduced by the LASSO penalty, effectively predicts credit ratings for listed companies in China, utilizing high-frequency financial variables and low-frequency governance indicators.

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World Development (Vol.187)

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01. Gender differences in agricultural productivity: Puzzling evidence from West Africa

Abstract: This study analyzes the gender gap in agricultural productivity in West Africa, finding female farmers have advantages in pulses but disadvantages in cereals and cotton. The structural component is the primary driver of the gap, emphasizing the need for further research to improve agricultural productivity and reduce poverty.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106856>

02. Evidence and determinants of rural crime victimization in Tanzania

Abstract: Rural crime victimization in Tanzania is high, with high unemployment rates and weather shocks contributing to the issue. Improving job opportunities and encouraging guardship can reduce victimization, promoting sustainable development.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106854>

03. Is the emphasis on cofinancing good for environmental multilateral funds?

Abstract: The paper examines the impact of external cofinancing on project selection in international environmental and development agencies, focusing on multilateral funds and climate change. It suggests that cofinancing may be inefficient, as projects with higher ratios yield smaller emissions.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106831>

04. Do conditional cash transfers improve intergenerational gains in educational achievement?: Evidence from Brazil's Bolsa Familia Program

Abstract: The Bolsa Família program in Brazil, the world's largest Conditional Cash Transfer (CCT) program, shows minimal improvements in educational outcomes for treated children compared to untreated siblings, highlighting the importance of local public goods provision.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106852>

05. How wartime recruitment affects political engagement among civilians: Evidence from Côte d'Ivoire

Abstract: The study explores the impact of wartime recruitment by non-state armed groups on non-combatants' political engagement post-conflict. Results show increased political engagement, particularly in areas with high recruitment by winning rebels, but do not boost pro-social attitudes or government confidence.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106836>

06. A critical review of the state-of-the-art on social policy, conflict and peace in the Middle East and North Africa region: Why social policy matters for peace and why it is also not enough

Abstract: This article explores the relationship between social policy and peace in the MENA region, focusing on the role of social policy in addressing compounding risks and fostering positive peace. It advocates for a broader perspective, highlighting the importance of social policy as a comprehensive framework for action, addressing structural inequalities, and fostering positive peace. Future research should focus on specific interventions and peace-sensitive indicators.

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07. Shine a (night)light: Decentralization and economic development in Burkina Faso

Abstract: Decentralization in Burkina Faso positively impacts night-light intensity trends in early-decentralized communes, but only those with own-source revenues benefit from effective decentralization, according to a study using satellite data and a difference-in-difference approach.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106851>

08. The taxed informal economy: Fiscal burdens and inequality in Accra

Abstract: This article presents a comprehensive analysis of taxation in the informal sector, revealing that most operators pay a range of taxes and fees, disproportionately burdening low-earning operators. The findings have significant implications for understanding and taxing informal businesses in low- and middle-income countries.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106879>

09. The impacts of armed conflict on human development: A review of the literature

Abstract: This article reviews literature on conflict impacts on human development across nine dimensions: health, schooling, livelihood, income, growth, political institutions, migration, socio-psychological wellbeing, capital, water access, and food security. It identifies research gaps and suggests mechanisms to explain intertwined effects, aiming to bridge disciplinary silos and develop policies.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106806>

10. To use financial incentives or not? Insights from experiments in encouraging sanitation investments in four countries

Abstract: A systematic re-analysis of studies promoting hygienic latrines found that financial incentives outperform information and education campaigns in increasing adoption of improved sanitation, regardless of household gender or poverty status.

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2024.106791>

Journal of Public Economics (Vol.243)

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01. Effects of speed-schools in Niger

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02. Testing above the limit: Drinking water contamination and test scores

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03. OK Boomer: Generational differences in teacher quality

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04. Vote early and vote often? Detecting electoral fraud from the timing of 19th century elections

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05. Campaign contributions and legislative behavior: Evidence from U.S. Congress

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06. Property taxation as compensation for local externalities: Evidence from large plants

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2024.105294>

07. Recession experiences during early adulthood shape prosocial attitudes later in life

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jpubeco.2025.105327>

08. Effects of restrictive abortion legislation on cohort mortality evidence from 19th century law variation

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09. (Not) Everyone can be a winner — The role of payoff interdependence for redistribution

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Regional Science and Urban Economics (Vol.111)

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01. Manhattan Transfer: Heterogeneous productivity effects of agglomeration in American authorship

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.regsciurbeco.2024.104061>

02. Evaluating the long-run effects of zoning reform on urban development

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03. The elected official next door

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04. Skills and the city in China

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05. Leases over real property

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06. Neighborhood impacts on human capital accumulation of adolescents and young adults in Montevideo

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07. Administrative areas and regional identity formation: The case of East Germany

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08. Interaction of public and private employment: Evidence from a German government move

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09. Work-from-home and cities: An elementary spatial model

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10. Voluntary retirement savings in China: A spatial ordered probit approach

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11. Equal price for equal place? Demand-driven racial discrimination in the housing market

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12. Ethnicity and health at work during the COVID-19

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Research in International Business and Finance (Vol.74)

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01. Board gender diversity, CEO power and LGBTQ-supportive corporate policies

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ribaf.2024.102664>

02. In the name of the law: How does legal distance affect US international mutual funds' financial performance?

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03. Decentralized autonomous organizations: The new global digital venture capital

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04. Climate risk perception and oil financialization in China: Evidence from a time-varying Granger model

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