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EXPERIENCE

Lecturer in Finance

Aston Business School, Aston University

09/2021 - Present

Birmingham, United Kingdom

- Programme Director (MSc Finance)
- Module Leader: Trading Strategies (BS2284), Financial Services, Regulation and Crises (BS2299), Finance Theory (BFM165), Blockchain and FinTech (BFM172)

Research and Teaching Assistant

Athens University of Economics and Business

04/2017 - 08/2021

Athens, Greece

- Research Assistant: Cryptocurrency Economics, Behavioral Finance.
- Teaching Assistant: Econometric Methods (MSc Accounting & Finance - Fall 2020), Quantitative Methods (MSc in International Shipping, Finance and Management - Fall 2020), Macroeconomics (Undergraduate - Spring 2020).

Senior Consultant

Critical Future

09/2017 - 03/2020

London, UK

- Head Advisor on Research and Development Projects (AI, Blockchain, Cryptocurrencies and Fintech Division)

MEP Consultant

European Parliament

10/2018 - 12/2018

Athens, Greece / Brussels, Belgium

- Advisor on Fintech Issues

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)

Athens University of Economics and Business

2017 - 2021

Athens, Greece

- Thesis: Essays on Cryptocurrencies

M.A. in Applied Economics & Data Analysis

Department of Economics, University of Patras

2015 - 2016

Patras, Greece

- Thesis: Overview of Cryptocurrency in Modern Economic Literature: Issues and Trends

B.A. in Economics

Athens University of Economics and Business

2009 - 2014

Athens, Greece

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Aston Pump Priming Fund (2023)

Aston University

Full PhD Scholarship (2018 - 2021)

Greek State Scholarships Foundation (IKY)

CONFERENCES

International Conference in Finance, Banking and Accounting (ICFBA) (2023); 52nd Annual Conference of the Money, Macro and Finance Society (2021); IFABS Oxford Conference (2021); The International Conference on Applied Business and Economics (ICABE) (2021); Asian Development Bank Conference on Fintech and COVID-19 (2021); 10th National Conference of the Financial Engineering and Banking Society (FEBS) (2019); POLITEIA: An International Conference of Political Scientists (HAPSc) (2019); 9th National Conference of the Financial Engineering and Banking Society (FEBS) (2018)

PUBLICATIONS

Karagiorgis, A., Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2023). The Skewness-Kurtosis Plane for Cryptocurrencies' Universe. *International Journal of Finance and Economics*. (ABS 3*, Impact factor: 3.070)

Ballis, A., Verousis, T. (2022). Behavioural finance and cryptocurrencies. *Review of Behavioral Finance*. (Impact factor: 2.156)

Anastasiou, D., Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2022). Constructing a positive sentiment index for COVID-19: Evidence from G20 stock markets. *International Review of Financial Analysis*. 81, 102111. (ABS 3*, Impact factor: 5.373)

Anastasiou, D., Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2021). Cryptocurrencies' Price Crash Risk and Crisis Sentiment. *Finance Research Letters*. 42, 101928. (ABS 2*, Impact factor: 9.846)

Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2021). The explosion in cryptocurrencies: a black hole analogy. *Financial Innovation*. 7, 8. (Impact factor: 6.793)

Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2020). Testing for herding in the cryptocurrency market. *Finance Research Letters*. 33, 101210. (ABS 2*, Impact factor: 9.846)

SUBMISSIONS

Anastasiou, D., Ballis, A., Kallandranis, C. (2023). Positive COVID-19 related Sentiment and Economic Uncertainty. *International Review of Financial Analysis*. (ABS 3*, Impact factor: 5.373)
(Under Review)

Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2021). Cross-sectional Capitalization Dynamics of the Cryptocurrency Market: A Markov Chain Analysis. *International Review of Economics and Finance*. (ABS 2*, Impact factor: 3.339)
(Under Review)

Karagiorgis, A., Ballis, A., Drakos, K. (2021). Non-Linearities in Cryptocurrencies and the interrelationship of Higher Moments during COVID-19. *International Review of Economics and Finance*. (ABS 2*, Impact factor: 3.339)
(Under Review)