





# **2023 Autumn Workshop**

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### Venue

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Aurelio Maccario is currently head of Group Credit Risk of UniCredit SpA. He joined UniCredit in 2002 as an economist in the research department of Corporate & Investment Banking. He covered different roles until 2005, when he was appointed as Chief Eurozone Economist. During his career he held different important roles as Head of Strategic Planning, Head of Group Risk Strategies and Monitoring, Head of Group Regulatory Affairs. In 2020, Aurelio was appointed as Chief Lending Officer, responsible for credit activities, in compliance within risk management strategies, including underwriting, monitoring, recovery, restructuring and workouts and in 2021 became Head of Group Credit Risk, responsible for the overall governance, management, steering and monitoring of the credit risk at Group level. In his capacity, he is also member of Bank Austria Supervisory Board and Chairperson of the Audit Committee.

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### Notes on the presenters and chairs

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# **Program**

### 08.30 Arrival, Registration & Coffee

### **08.55** Welcome Remarks

Carlo Fiorio Marta Degl'Innocenti

### **Session 1**

Chair: Daniela Vandone

### 09.10-09.50

Title: The Financial Transmission of a Climate Shock: El Nino and US Banks

Authors: Filippo De Marco, Nicola Limodio

Discussant: Sergio Mayordomo

### 09.50-10.30

Title: Concentrating on Bailouts: Government Guarantees and Bank Asset Composition

Authors: Christian Eufinger, Juan Pablo J. Gorostiaga, Björn Richter

Discussant: Stefano Rossi

### 10.30-11.10

Title: Climate Transition Risks of Banks

Authors: Felix Martini, Zacharias Sautner Sascha Steffen, Carola Theunisz

Discussant: Enrico Sette

### **Coffee break**

## Session 2 -Early idea session

Chair: Klaus Schaeck

### 11.30-11.45

Title: International Banking in the Age of Data Protectionism

Authors: Gabriele Lattanzio

### 11.45-12.00

Title: Unsustainable soil loss, firm performance, and financing structure: An empirical

investigation of Italian firms

Authors: Kevin Pirazzi Maffiola, Elena Beccalli

### 12.00-12.15

Title: Different shades of green: Using natural language processing to estimate green

bond premium

Authors: Emanuela Benincasa, Jonathan Fu, Mrinal Mishra

# **Keynote Speech**

### 12.15-13.15

Murillo Campello Regulatory Uncertainty and FinTech

### Lunch

# **Round table**

### 14.30-16.15

Does the urgency of sustainability in finance depend on the standpoint?

Coordinator: Franco Fiordelisi

Panelist:

- Giorgio Gobbi (Banca d'Italia)
- Aurelio Maccario (Unicredit)
- Carmelo Salleo (European Central Bank)
- Andrea Sironi (Bocconi University & Assicurazioni Generali)
- Giovanni Bindella (Assolombarda)

### **Coffee break**

### **Session 4**

Chair: Michela Rancan

### 16.40-17.20

Title: When Prejudice Hits Home: Hate Crime and the Market for Mortgage Credit

Authors: Christian Engels, Iftekhar Hasan, Sizhe Hong, Dennis Philip

Discussant: Duc Duy (Louis) Nguyen

### 17.20-18.00

Title: Cultural Stereotypes of Multinational Banks

Authors: Barry Eichengreen, Orkun Saka

Discussant: Alberto Manconi

18.00: Concluding remarks

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