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### WORK EXPERIENCE

- July 2007 – Assistant Professor of Accounting  
Duke University, Fuqua School of Business.
- Jan. 2006 – June 2007 Visiting Assistant Professor of Accounting  
Duke University, Fuqua School of Business.
- March 2004 - June 2004 Mutual Funds and Depository Services  
DGZ Dekabank Luxembourg S.A.
- Jan. 2002 – June 2003 Research Assistant for Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Filc,  
Chair of Economics, University of Trier.
- Mar. 2001 - Oct. 2001 Assistant / Junior Consultant  
Deutsche Bank, Private Banking.
- Dec. 1999 - Feb. 2000 Internship at Deutsche Bank  
Equities/Quantitative Futures Trading.

### EDUCATION

- Aug. 2003 - Oct. 2005 Doctoral Program, University of Trier  
(Chairperson: Prof. Dr. Hellmuth Milde),  
Ph.D. (Dr. rer. pol.), awarded with summa cum laude.
- Aug. 2004 – May 2005 Visiting Ph.D. program,  
Duke University, Fuqua School of Business.
- Aug. 2003 Master's degree in Business Administration  
[Diplom-Kaufmann], University of Trier.
- Oct. 2000 – Oct. 2005 Graduate Studies in Business, University of Trier,  
specialization in Finance and International Management.
- 1997 - 2000 Undergraduate Education, Business Administration  
(major in Finance), Berufsakademie Mannheim,  
sponsored by Deutsche Bank AG.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

“Direct and Mediated Associations Among Earnings Quality, Information Asymmetry and the Cost of Equity”, with Neil Bhattacharya, Per Olsson and Katherine Schipper. *The Accounting Review*, forthcoming

“A Returns-Based Representation of Earnings Quality”, with Jennifer Francis, Irene Kim, Per Olsson, and Katherine Schipper. *The Accounting Review* 81, No. 4, pp. 749-780.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Asset pricing tests using realized returns.” Duke University working paper, 2011.

“Peer Selection for Discretionary Accruals Models”, with Jennifer Francis, Per Olsson and Katherine Schipper. Duke University working paper, 2011.

“Estimation Sample Selection for Discretionary Accruals Models”, with Jennifer Francis, Per Olsson and Katherine Schipper. Duke University working paper, 2011.

“Long-term Payoffs to Aggressiveness”, with Jennifer Francis, Per Olsson and Katherine Schipper. Duke University working paper, 2011.

“Information Risk and Long-Run Performance of IPOs”. Dissertation and Duke University working paper, 2010.

“A Comparison of Market-based and Accounting-based Descriptions of Business Risk”, with Jennifer Francis, Per Olsson and Katherine Schipper. Duke University working paper, 2010.

## **AWARDS**

Outstanding dissertation award. University of Trier Alumni Association (Freundeskreis Trierer Universität e.V.)

## **TEACHING INTERESTS**

Valuation and Fundamental Analysis / Financial Statement Analysis.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

*Valuation and Fundamental Analysis* (Elective) - Cross-Continent Executive MBA Program, Daytime MBA Program, Weekend Executive MBA Program.

*Corporate Finance* (Elective) - Daytime MBA Program.