Keynote Speaker

Prof. Xiaoguang Yang, the University of Chinese Academy of Sciences

Xiaoguang Yang is a doctoral supervisor at the University of Chinese Academy of Sciences, Deputy Director of the Institute of Systems Science at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Director of the Key Laboratory of Management, Decision and Information Systems at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, a research fellow at the Academy of Mathematics and Systems Science at the Chinese Academy of Sciences, and an adjunct professor at the School of Management, University of Chinese Academy of Sciences (formerly the Graduate University of the Chinese Academy of Sciences). His current research interests include financial risk management, macroeconomic analysis, complex networks and game theory. He concurrently serves as Secretary-General of the Systems Engineering Society of China and Vice President of the Operations Research Society of China.

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Prof. Yeneng Sun, National University of Singapore

Yeneng Sun is Professor of Economics and Mathematics at the National University of Singapore (NUS), where he serves as Co-Dean of the College of Humanities and Sciences and Dean of the Faculty of Science. He previously directed NUS's MSc in Quantitative Finance and MSc in Financial Engineering, and headed both the Department of Economics and the Risk Management Institute. His research spans mathematical economics, game theory, and probability theory. Recognized with Singapore's National Science Award and NUS's Outstanding University Researcher Award, he is a Fellow of the Singapore National Academy of Science and an Economic Theory Fellow of the Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory. He was awarded the Public Administration Medal (Silver) at Singapore's 2023 National Day Awards for his contributions to education and delivered a semi-plenary lecture at the 2024 World Congress of Game Theory Society.

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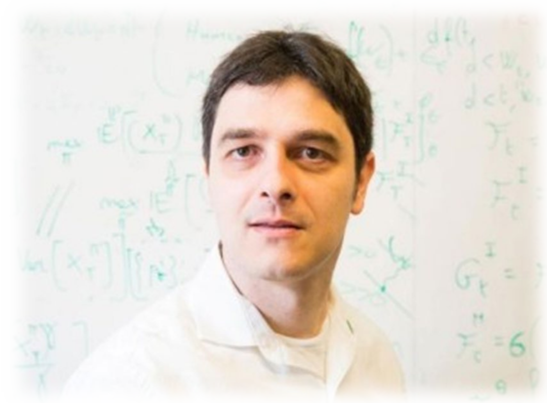
Prof. Agostino Capponi, Columbia University



Agostino Capponi is a professor of Industrial Engineering and Operations Research at Columbia University, where he is also the director of the Center for Digital Finance and Technologies, and a member of the Data Science Institute. Agostino's research interests are in systemic risk and economic networks, financial technology, tokenomics, and market microstructure. Agostino's research has been published in major journals of his field, including *Management Science, Operations Research, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Monetary Economics, Review of Asset Pricing Studies, Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis,* and *Mathematical Finance*.

Agostino is a fellow of the Crypto and Blockchain Economic Research Forum, an academic fellow of the Luohoan Academy established by the Alibaba Group, and external research fellow at the Fintech@Cornell Center.

Agostino is an Editor of *Management Science* in the Finance Department, and of *Operations Research* in the Financial Engineering Department. He also serves as a co-editor of *Mathematics and Financial Economics*. Agostino serves or has served as an associate editor of *Mathematical Finance, Finance and Stochastics, SIAM Journal on Financial Mathematics, Applied Mathematical Finance, Digital Finance, Frontiers of Mathematical Finance, Stochastic Systems, Stochastic Models,* and the American Institute of Mathematical Sciences *Journal of Dynamics & Games*.

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Prof. Jia Li, Singapore Management University

Professor Jia Li the Dean of the School of Economics at Singapore Management University. He graduated with a PhD in Economics from Princeton University and started his academic career at Duke University as Assistant Professor of Economics in 2011. Subsequently, he attained his full professorship at Duke University in 2020 before joining SMU in 2021 as a full tenured Professor of Economics. In the same year, he received the Lee Kong Chian named professorship.

Jia is an accomplished academic whose research interest lies in econometrics with a specialisation in financial applications. He has published extensively in leading economics, statistics, probability and finance journals such as *American Economic Review*, *Econometrica*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Annals of Statistics*, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, *Annals of Applied Probability* and *Review of Financial Studies.* He is internationally recognised as a leading scholar in Econometrics as reflected in his editorial roles in a number of leading journals including as Co-Editor, *Econometrics Theory* since 2021, Associate Editor, *Econometrica* since 2018, Associate Editor, *Journal of Financial Econometrics*, *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics* and *Journal of Econometrics* since 2017.

Jia is also an experienced educator who has taught in undergraduate and graduate courses. During his tenure at Duke, he managed the admission work of PhD students from China, as well as sat on various recruitment committees. Since joining SMU, Jia has contributed significantly to the School in various roles including Econometrics Lead of the SMU Urban Institute, Programme Director of Master of Science in Financial Economics (MSFE), a Member of the Promotion, Tenure and Appointment Committee

(PTAC) and a Member of the University Research Evaluation Committee (UREC). His leadership also extends to other important areas in terms of formulating a plan for SOE's next phase of growth, managing resources and budget, designing of new revenue generating PGPP programme, fostering industrial collaboration, identifying peer and aspirant Universities for benchmarking, establishing a new journal list for School ranking , managing the performance targets and evaluation of faculty. His applied work in macroeconomics, monetary economics, labour economics and international finance has equipped him with a comprehensive understanding of other research areas important to SOE.