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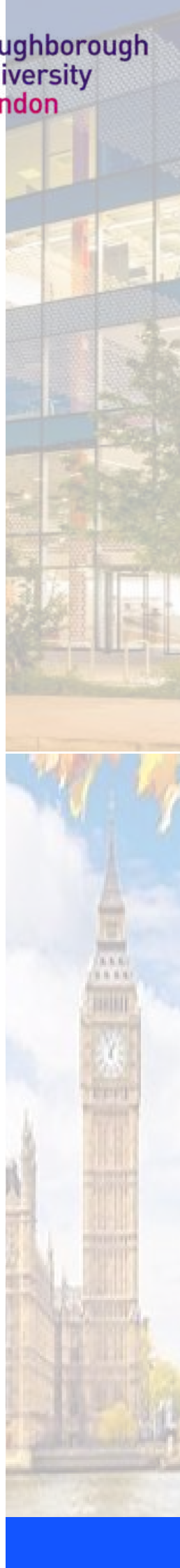


**Prof. Konstantinos Stathopoulos
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Prof. Konstantinos Stathopoulos is a corporate governance scholar. He holds a Chair in Accounting and Finance at Alliance Manchester Business School, The University of Manchester. He is the joint Editor-in-Chief of Corporate Governance: An International Review, the leading academic journal for international corporate governance research. He is also a member of the board of the International Corporate Governance Society.

Prof. Konstantinos has more than twenty years of experience conducting research across most areas of corporate governance, with a particular focus on executive compensation and how suboptimal governance practices may destroy stakeholder wealth. His recent focus is on the interests and impact of various stakeholders, such as employees, on firm decision making and governance.

He has an extensive publication record and has presented his research at international conferences, academic institutions, and business organisations around the world. He has received several awards for his research from various organisations such as the American Law and Economics Association, British Accounting and Finance Association and Eastern Finance Association, among others.



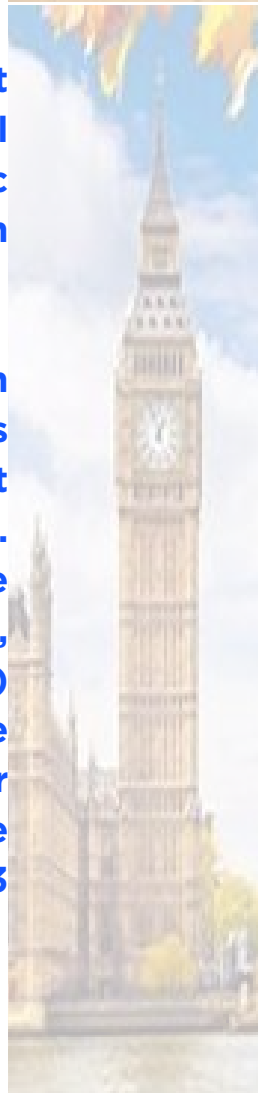


**Prof. Ruth V. Aguilera,
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Prof. Ruth V. Aguilera (Harvard University, Ph.D.) is the Distinguished Darla and Frederick Brodsky Trustee Professor in Global Business at the D'Amore-McKim School of Business at Northeastern University and a Visiting Professor at ESADE Business School in her native Barcelona.

Prior to coming to Boston, Prof. Aguilera was at the Gies Business School at University of Illinois at Champaign-Urbana where she reached the rank of Full Professor. Her research interests lie at the intersection of strategic organization, economic sociology and global strategy, specializing in international corporate governance and corporate social responsibility.

She is an Associate Editor at the Academy of Management Review and an Area Editor Journal of International Business Studies. She formerly served as an Associate Editor at the Academy of Management Review, Senior Editor at Organization Science and at Corporate Governance: An International Review. She serves on the Board of Directors of the International Corporate Governance Society, and is a Fellow of the top three academic associations, Academy of Management (AOM), Academy of International Business (AIB) and the Strategic Management Society (SMS). Prof. Aguilera has received the prestigious 2023 Political Science Leader Award from Research.com. Her remarkable achievements and expertise have earned her the impressive rankings of 118 globally and 69 in the United States in the Research.com 2023 Ranking of Best Scientists in Political Science.





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Teerooven Soobaroyen is currently a Professor of Accounting at the Department of Accounting, Aston Business School, Aston University. Over the last twenty-five years, he has held academic positions at the University of Essex, University of Southampton, Aberystwyth University, and the University of Mauritius teaching a range of accounting and governance topics to undergraduate, postgraduate and MBA students. His research addresses the role of accounting, accountability, and governance and notably in Global South contexts.

He has published extensively in internationally recognised journals such as Accounting, Organizations and Society, Accounting Auditing and Accountability Journal, Critical Perspectives on Accounting, Financial Accountability and Management, Accounting Forum, Journal of Business Ethics, British Journal of Management, Business & Society, and Corporate Governance: An International Review. He is an associate editor of the Journal of Accounting in Emerging Economies (JAEE) and of Sustainability Accounting, Management and Policy Journal (SAMPJ).

He has co-authored several reports, funded by the UK's Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF), the African Professionalisation Initiative (API), the World Bank's Public Expenditure and Financial Accountability (PEFA) office, and the UK Financial Reporting Council (FRC). Current impact and engagement work relates to an assessment of the Mwongonzo code (governance code for state-owned corporations in Kenya), a second evaluation of the implementation of the UK Wates Corporate Governance Principles for Large Private Companies, a project examining the impact of public financial management systems on fiscal transparency and public accountability.

He has promoted and led academic associations and networks, notably in his previous roles as President of the British Accounting and Finance Association (BAFA) and the African Accounting and Finance Association (AAFA). He is also the research convenor of the Africa Call for Accounting and Finance Research Initiative (ACAFRI) funded by the Pan-African Federation of Accountants (PAFA) and coordinated by AAFA. Through his continued involvement with BAFA, AAFA, the Accounting and Accountability in Emerging Economies (AAEE) network and the Francophone Accounting Association (AFC), he seeks to contribute to the mentoring and development of a community of accounting, governance and finance scholars in the UK and internationally.



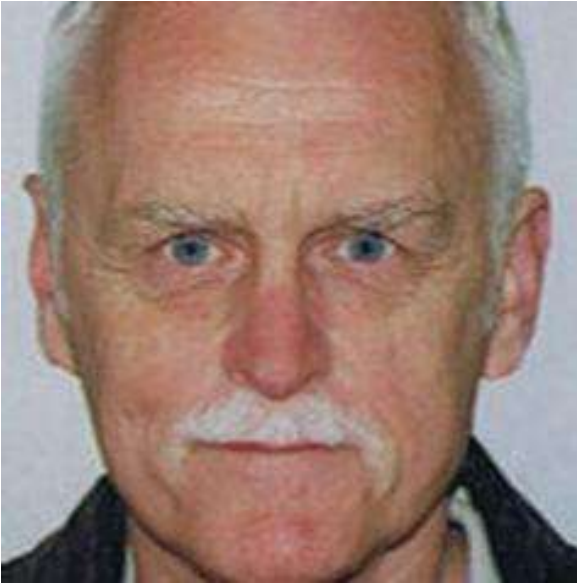


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Dr. Dionysia Katelouzou is an Associate Professor of Corporate Law at King's College London's Dickson's Poon School of Law focusing on investor stewardship, shareholder activism, and sustainability, with a socio-legal, transnational and empirical perspective. She holds a PhD and an LLM (first class) from the University of Cambridge. She is a Research Associate at the University of Cambridge's Centre of Business Research. Dr. Dionysia has served as a Visiting Researcher at the University of Pennsylvania and a Visiting Lecturer at the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies (London).

Her academic output includes 22 research outputs (books/journal articles/chapters), along with numerous shorter articles and blogposts.

Notably, she received the Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP prize for the best ECGI Law Working Paper in 2020 for her co-authored paper, "The Global Diffusion of Stewardship Codes". Beyond academia, Dr. Katelouzou chairs of the Content Oversight Committee of StePs e.V - Association of Stewardship Professionals and leads the Global Investor Stewardship project, consisting of more than 120 academic and non-academic members across 27 jurisdictions around the world. She is a recipient of the British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship Award 2022 and many other grants and prizes. She has conducted commissioned research for the Financial Reporting Council and presented her research at conferences and symposia globally.



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Dr. Donald Nordberg is serving as the Associate Professor of Corporate Governance at Bournemouth University. He is the Chair of Board of Milestones Trust and is also acting as non-executive director at Poole Arts Trust. Formerly, he has served as the Visiting Professor of Journalism at City, University of London and as Editorial Executive at Reuters.

Dr. Nordberg is an author working across social science disciplines and humanities. Formally retired from academic work, he continues to write on corporate governance political philosophy and literature. He holds two PhDs: in corporate governance (Liverpool) and creative writing (Exeter). He held professorial posts in management studies at Bournemouth University and in journalism at City, University of London.

His academic research has been published in ‘Corporate Governance: An International Review’, ‘Business History,’ ‘European Management Journal’, ‘Corporate Governance: The International Journal of Business in Society’, ‘Leadership’ and other journals. His book ‘Corporate Governance: Principles & Issues’ was published in 2011 by Sage.

He has lived in Germany, Switzerland, the UK and the US, and has worked on assignment in more than 30 other countries. He has studied at Reed College in Portland, Oregon, the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and in England at Warwick Business School and the University of Liverpool Management School.





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Dr. Johanne Grosvold is an Associate Professor of Corporate Governance and CSR at the University of Bath, whose work sits at the intersection of corporate governance and questions pertaining to social justice and human rights. She has worked in the field of corporate governance for 20 years. She is an associate editor of Business and Society, serves on the editorial board of Corporate Governance: An international review, and is the President elect of the International Association of Business and Society.

Dr. Grosvold's scholarly work is rooted in corporate board research, with a particular focus on corporate board diversity. Her current focus is on behavioural governance and how corporate governance interplays with business and human and rights legislations and practice. She has received numerous awards for her research, including Best Paper published in Corporate Governance an International Review, and the Academy of Management ONE Division Best Paper Award. She also has an extensive track record in research engagement and impact, working with FTSE firms, and industry publications to consult, speak and disseminate research on issues of governance, business and human rights.





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Dr. Qingxiu Bu has published widely in a variety of areas of law, many of which are themed around law and global challenges, with a particular focus on the development of legal infrastructures in transnational law and global governance. He is Fellow of Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study (STiAS). He has previously been a lecturer in law at Cardiff Law School, Cardiff University (2007-08) and School of Law, Queen's University Belfast (2008-13), during which he taught Transnational Business Law at Centre of Transnational Legal Studies (CTLS), Georgetown University as Adjunct Professor. He was appointed as Li Kashing Professor of Practice at Faculty of Law, McGill University in 2019.

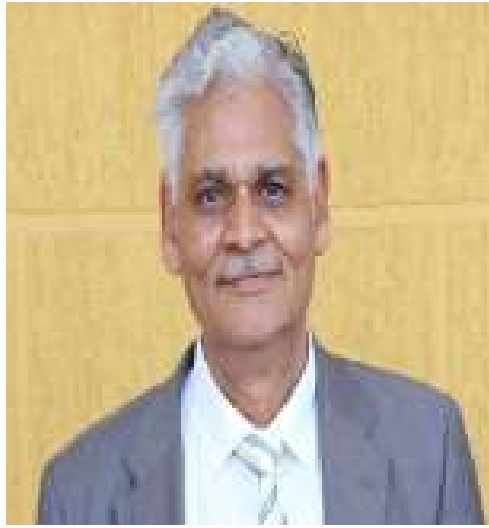
He has held visiting posts at various institutions, including Lund University, Sweden, University College Dublin, Ireland, Tel Aviv University, Israel and the Max Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law in Germany. He worked also as Docent at the Institute of Global Law and Policy (IGLP), Harvard Law School in January 2013 and 2014. Qingxiu has completed four projects funded respectively by the British Academy, Department for Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy (BEIS), Newton Fund, and British Council (PMI) during the past years. He serves as a senator member at University of Sussex (1 August 2020 - 1 August 2022)





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Prof. Ram Kumar Mishra, researches in the areas of Corporate Governance, Corporate Social Responsibility, and Sustainable Management. He is on the UN Task Force on International Standards of Excellence in Public Administration Education, a special invitee to the OECD Working Group on Privatization and Corporate Governance of SOEs, and the Asian Network of Corporate Governance. He was Vice-President, International Association of Schools and Institutes in Administration, Brussels, and a member, of the Network of Asia-Pacific Schools and Institutes of Public Administration and Governance, Asian Development Bank. He has been a Non-Executive Director on some public and private enterprise boards and was a member of the Result Framework Documentation Taskforce to evaluate the performance of 69 ministries of the Government of India (GoI). He is an invitee to G20 meetings and a participant in RIS, Ministry of External Affairs, GoI Events. His academic stints were with London Business School, Maison Des Sciences De L' Hommes, the University of Bradford, and the UN International Centre for Promotional Enterprises. He was chosen for the Australian Leadership Award by the Australian Agency for International Development. He has taught and guided research in several Universities in India and abroad. He was a symposium presenter, at the Academy of Management, Annual Conference, in 2023.





CONFERENCE THEME & CALL FOR PAPERS

Corporate governance practices and regulations vary across countries and regions, reflecting the institutional diversity of capitalism and the different challenges and opportunities faced by firms and stakeholders (Aguilera & Jackson, 2003). Such differences matter not only for financial performance, but also for the increasingly pressing issues of social responsibility and environmental sustainability (Jakson & Rathert, 2017). However, many of the theories attempting to capture this diversity remain firmly rooted in the experience and intellectual tradition of the Global North. The extent to which concepts and theories developed based on that tradition translate to the context of emerging economies in the Global South is questionable.

Some of the most widely used concepts to describe contexts in the Global South - like 'institutional voids' - are deeply problematic in terms of ethnocentric and universalistic assumptions that underpins them (Bothello et al., 2020).

As economies from the Global South become increasingly central players in the global economy and will shape the future not just of the world economy, but also of our natural environment, there is an increasing need for a global dialogue on corporate governance, responsibility, and sustainability. Such a dialogue can inform theories of corporate governance, responsibility, and sustainability and allow us to start developing a context-sensitive understanding of economic activity, which is needed to start building truly universalistic concepts allowing us to address the common issues such as climate change, human rights, corruption, and inequality that humanity is facing.

In this spirit, the aim of this conference is to bring together scholars from different disciplines and perspectives to explore the theoretical and empirical aspects of corporate governance and the institutional diversity of capitalism across the Global North, Global South, and their implications for sustainability and social responsibility. We are particularly interested in contributions that use institutional theory and comparative capitalism literature to analyse how corporate governance systems and practices are shaped by and interact with the institutional environments in which they operate. We welcome papers that advance our understanding of the diversity and dynamics of capitalist systems and their implications for corporate governance and responsibility. We also invite studies that challenge the ethnocentric bias and universalistic assumptions that often underlie organizational studies and corporate governance research. We encourage papers that adopt a contextualized and comparative approach that recognizes the richness and power of informal and non-market institutions in shaping local economic activity.

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CONFERENCE SUB-THEMES

A few suggested topics though authors may submit their manuscript from related domains

Convergence of Interest of State, Market and Society in Context of Industry 4.0	Sustainability in Diverse Capitalist Systems: A Cross-Disciplinary Inquiry
Sustainable practices through the lens of CSR	Towards a Global Dialogue: Corporate Governance, Responsibility, and Climate Action
Impact Investing: Aligning Financial Goals with Social and Environmental Responsibility	Global Perspectives on Corruption: Corporate Governance Reforms
Institutional Diversity of Capitalism and its linkages with corporate governance	Cultural Influences on Corporate Governance: Unravelling Global Patterns
Challenging Assumptions: Toward a Context-Sensitive Understanding of Corporate Responsibility	Leadership Perspectives on CSR: Shaping Corporate Culture for Social Responsibility
Dynamics of Capitalist Systems: Exploring Global North-South Interactions	Corporate Social Responsibility and Irresponsibility
Board Structure, Ownership and Institutions: Shaping Corporate Governance	Assessment of SDGs in Global South and North
Achieving Sustainable Development: Interdisciplinary Approaches to SDGs	Cross-Cultural Ethical Dilemmas: Challenges in Corporate Governance and Responsibility
Human Rights, Corruption, and Corporate Governance: A Global Perspective	International Perspectives of Corporate Governance-Integrating perspectives of Global South and Global North
Furthering Social Capital with ESG	Sustainability Accounting, Accountability and Reporting (SAAR)
Sustainable Finance; Green Finance	Integrating IFRS for Global Corporate Governance

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOP

On 11th September 2024, a one-day workshop on geared towards PhD students and early career researchers will be run by Prof. Gregory Jackson, former editor in chief of Socio-Economic Review and associate editor at the British Journal of Industrial Relations. The work shop shall highlight future research areas in the domain of corporate governance, sustainability, CSR, sustainable development goals, climate change, green finance and other allied fields with an aim to solve global concerns.

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TITLE AND AUTHORSHIP INFORMATION

The deadline for submission of abstracts (max. 500 words) is 30th June, 2024, though full paper is required for best paper award. Please click here to submit your abstracts/ manuscript. For more information, please visit the conference website at www.grfcg.in.

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PUBLICATION OPPORTUNITIES

CORPORATE GOVERNANCE INSIGHT
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The best papers from the conference shall be eligible for being considered for publication in “Corporate Governance Insight”, the bi-annual journal published by Global Research Foundation for Corporate Governance. All full paper submissions will be peer-reviewed and evaluated based on originality, technical and/or research content/depth, correctness, relevance to the conference, contributions, and readability. The full paper submissions will be chosen based on technical merit, interest, applicability, and how well they fit into the theme of the conference. The journal is indexed in Google scholar, J-Gate, i-Scholar and member CrossRef. Further, paper presenters and authors of suitable submissions are encouraged to submit their manuscript after discussing with editors and session chairs who will be present in the conference for the special issue of “Journal of Management Studies” published by Wiley on “State Capitalism and Firms: Ownership, Institutions and Beyond”, subject to a regular review process of the journal. The journal is indexed in Scopus, ABDC, ABS and is amongst FTSE 50 journals with Clarivate Impact factor of 10.5.



ABOUT GRFCG

The GLOBAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION FOR CORPORATE GOVERNANCE has been established with the objective of providing a platform for academics, researchers, professionals, corporate, policymakers, and consultants to discuss, deliberate, disseminate and further the issues related to corporate governance, CSR and other allied areas. GRFCG organized its 1st International Conference on the September 7-8, 2019 at India International Centre, New Delhi themed as 'Corporate Governance: Issues, Challenges and Changing Paradigms'. The 2nd International Conference on 'Revisiting Business and Corporate Governance' was held on the September 10-11, 2022 at the Indian Law Institute, New Delhi. The Foundation organized 3rd International Conference on 'Corporate Governance and Sustainable Development: Reflecting New Perspectives in Emerging Economies and Around the Globe' on September 16-17, 2023 at Constitution Club of India, New Delhi.

ABOUT LOUGHBOROUGH UNIVERSITY

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