Anna Toldra Simats

Personal Information

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Academic positions

September 2008 (current position)
Lecturer of Finance, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

September 2007 – August 2008
Research Scholar at University of Chicago, Graduate School of Business, Chicago IL
Working with Professor Luigi Zingales and Professor Paola Sapienza

September 2006 – August 2007
Research Scholar at the Finance Department of Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University, Chicago IL
Working with Professor Paola Sapienza and Professor Luigi Zingales

Education

December 13th 2006
PhD in Economics at the University of Toulouse, France
Thesis director: Alain Alcouffe.
Title of the thesis: *"Essays on corporate governance and corporate finance: institutions, incentives and capital structure"*

June 2001
M. Phil. in Finance: Markets and Financial Intermediaries.
Midi Pyrennées School of Economics (MPSE) at University of Toulouse 1, France

June 2000
B.A. in Economics
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Spain.

Papers

"Understanding Trust". With Paola Sapienza and Luigi Zingales. (Submitted)

Work in progress

"Soft Bankruptcy Law, Financial Constraints, and the Structure of Corporate Ownership"

"Capital Structure and the Product Market: The Case of European Electricity Markets". With Jerome Reboul.

"The Type of Legal Shareholder Protection, Ownership Concentration, Monitoring Incentives and Managerial Slack". With Marcel Canoy, European Commission.

Other

"A Country Profiles Project: Israel" (2005). Published by Femise: The Euro-Mediterranean Forum of Economic Institutes.

Grants and Fellowships

2004-2006	Research Grant (University of Toulouse 1, and University of Bordeaux)
2001-2004	Teaching Fellowship (University of Toulouse 1)
2001-2002	PhD Fellowship ("La Caixa")

Conference presentations

International Atlantic Economic Society, October 2008, Canada
European Economic Association (EEA), August 2008, Milan
Midwest Economics Association (MEA), March 2008, Chicago
Latin American meeting of the Econometric Society (LACEA-LAMES), 2007, Bogota
Economic Science Association World Meeting (ESA), 2007, Rome
Association of Southern European Economic Theorists (ASSET), 2005, Crete
Association Française de Sciences Economiques (AFSE), 2005, Paris
European Economic Association (EEA) 2005, University of Amsterdam
European Academy of Management (EURAM) 2005, University of Munich
Conference on Corporate Governance 2005, University of Mons (Belgium)

Professional Service

Referee: Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, The Economic Journal, Journal of Financial Economics.

Research Experience

Winter 2006 to present: Research Assistant for Professors Paola Sapienza and Luigi Zingales

Teaching Experience

Winter 2008-09: Venture Capital and Private Equity (MBA course), at Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

Winter 2007: TA of *Entrepreneurial Finance and Private Equity* (MBA course), for Professor Luigi Zingales, GSB University of Chicago

Fall 2007: TA of *Empirical Corporate Finance* (PhD course), for Professor Paola Sapienza, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

Fall 2006: TA of *Turbo Finance* (MBA course), for Professor Jose Liberti, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

Winter 2006: TA of *Finance II* (MBA course), for Professors Andrea Eisfeld and David Matsa, Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University

During my graduate school at University of Toulouse in France:

TA of *Industrial Organization* (undergraduate course, 3rd year)
TA of *Mathematics* (undergraduate course, 1st year)
TA of *Econometrics* (undergraduate course, 3rd year)
TA of *Microeconomics* (undergraduate course, 1st year)
TA of *Macroeconomics* (undergraduate course, 2nd year)

Fall 2004 and Winter 2005: Guest Lecturer, 2 times 30 hours lectures in *Macroeconomics.* University of Chongqing, China.

Research and Teaching Interests

Corporate Finance (theory and empirical), Venture capital and Private Equity, Corporate Governance, Industrial Organization, Behavioural Economics, Experimental Economics

Other work experience

Summer 2005: Netherlands Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis, Research Fellow.