



14th LaBS International Banking Workshop

Laboratory for Banking Studies

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Room T-510, 11, Pokrovsky blvd, and online

Faculty of Economic Sciences, HSE University, Moscow

9.45-10.00 Registration

10:00-10:10 **Welcome address**, Maria Semenova (HSE University)

10:10-11:30 **Session I**

Chair: Maria Semenova (HSE University)

1. **Invoice Digitization and Credit Availability: Hard-Information Effects in Small Business Lending**

Yunyue Chen (Ghent University)

Discussant: **Madina Karamysheva** (HSE University)

2. **Political Connections Matter: How Russian Banks Engage in Government Credit Support Programs**

Nikita Kozlov (HSE University), Maria Semenova (HSE University)

Discussant: **Lucy Chernykh** (Clemson University)

11:30-12:00 Coffee break (T-624)

12:00-13:00 **Keynote speech**

Lucy Chernykh (Clemson University)

Regulatory Intervention and Depositor Discipline

13:00-14:00 Lunch for participants

14:30-15:50 **Session II**

Chair: Vladimir Sokolov (HSE University)

1. Heterogeneous Macprudential Policies and Corporate Financing Decisions

Yassine Bakkar (Queen's University Belfast), Michael Machokoto (African Development Bank Group and University of South Africa)

Discussant: **Kirill Anikeev** (Bank of Russia and HSE University)

2. Does Banks' Managerial Ability Mitigate ESG Washing?

Jaber Islam (University of Edinburgh)

Discussant: **Sedki Zaiane** (HSE University)

15:50-16:15 Coffee break (T-624)

16:15-18:15 **Session III**

Chair: Maria Semenova (HSE University)

1. Measuring Bank Regulations: A Text-Based Approach

Sami Mahmood (National University of Singapore)

Discussant: **Philipp Kartaev** (Moscow State University)

2. The Impact of Peer-to-Peer Lending on Small Business Loans

Jin-Hyuk Kim (University of Colorado), Frank Stähler (University of Tübingen)

Discussant: Alexey Ponomarenko (Bank of Russia and HSE University)

3. Lender Specialization in Small Business Lending

Jun Yoo (City University of New York)

Discussant: **Vladimir Sokolov** (HSE University)

18:15-18:20 **Concluding remarks and Farewell**