

## **Seminar Corporate Governance – ST 18**

– Contemporary Issues in Corporate Governance –  
(Prof. Dr. Andreas Dutzi)

This research seminar is offered for **Students at Master's Level (in particular AAT students)**. Participants need a sound understanding of accounting and/or auditing to enroll for this seminar (see module handbook regulations). The seminar will cover all the following issues with different research methods:

1. Board informational Fault Lines and the Choice of Governance Mechanisms
2. Digitalization Impacts on Boards of Directors
3. Role of Board of Directors in Crisis Detection
4. Ownership Structure as a Determinant of Corporate Governance
5. Influence of Corporate Governance on Capital Costs of SME
6. Value Creation or Earnings Management in Family Firms

The allocation of topics is subject to demand and preferences. There will be a maximum of **20 students** have the possibility of registering for the seminar. Students must write and present their seminar papers in **English**. **Presentation and discussion performance** is in **English**.

### **Registration**

A completed form (download from the Chair website) mentioning the 3 most preferred topics along with a copy of the module certificate as mentioned above needs to drop off at Professors post box not later than **January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2018** by (**12 am, noon**). The selected participants and the allocation of the topics will be notified via email till **January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2018**. At the same time the students are prompted to send an email and needs to update the seminar registration online in UNISONO on **February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (12 am, noon)** to confirm their participation. Please note that seminar topics will be terminated if the application was not made in UNISONO on/before the deadline. Free seminar places will then be allocated under a specific procedure to the non-allocated students.

### **Colloquium Schedule**

An additional colloquium is offered on **April 24<sup>th</sup> (2:00–4:00 pm GMT+1)** and on **June 12<sup>th</sup>, June 19<sup>th</sup>, and June 26<sup>th</sup> 2018 (4:00–6:00 pm GMT+1)** to support participants. In particular, we will discuss methodological and conceptual issues regarding the seminar papers. Teaching language is **English**.

## Introductory Session

An introductory session is scheduled on **January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (4:00–6:00 pm GMT+1), Room US-US-A 235**, to inform all participants about underlying ideas, theories and the overall goals of the seminar. Attendance to this session is optional, but strongly recommended.

## Methodical Sessions

Methodical sessions are scheduled on **January 23<sup>rd</sup> and January 30<sup>th</sup> 2018 (2:00–6:00 pm GMT+1), Room US-A 235** to introduce different research methods and approaches. Furthermore, participants get information about the quality criteria in reviewing papers. Attendance to this session is optional, but strongly recommended.

## Extended Abstract

Students need to send a **2 page** extended abstract on or before **April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (12 am, noon)** via email (to: [accounting@uni-siegen.de](mailto:accounting@uni-siegen.de)). **The abstract must consist of, introduction, research question(s) and methodology.** Only a soft copy of the abstract via email is necessary and no hard copy is required. The abstract will be reviewed and send back to the students along with comments for further improvement of their paper by **April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018**.

## Final Paper

Students needs to send the final paper (one single PDF file) via email (to: [accounting@uni-siegen.de](mailto:accounting@uni-siegen.de)) and submit the hard copy by dropping off it at the Professors post box on or before **July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 (12 am, noon)**. Final papers submitted after the deadline will not be accepted. The final paper must **not exceed 5,000 words** and should follow the Guidelines for Paper Submission, which are available at the Chair's website.

## Final Presentations & Discussions

Students need to present their final work on **July 13<sup>th</sup> and July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. Each participant has to present for about **20 minutes** his/her final paper. Furthermore, each participant has to be discussant of another presenter's paper for about 5–10 minutes. Attendance at the final presentations is mandatory.

## Grades & other Information

All events will take place in the premises of the University of Siegen. The seminar grade is composed of the following: **15% extended abstract, 50% final paper, 20% final presentation, and 15% discussant performance.** Marks are based on an individual assessment and not on group assessment. To be successful in the seminar, it requires the extended abstract and the final paper to generate a minimum grade of 4.

Friday, January 12, 2018

## Syllabus & important Deadlines

Date	Time	Outline
January, 12	12:00	Announcement of Subjects
January, 16	16:00 – 18:00	Introductory Session & Overview, Room: US-A 235
January, 19	12:00	Application Deadline
January, 22	12:00	Notification to Applicants
January, 23	14:00 – 18:00	Introduction to Research Methods, Room: US-A 235
January, 30	14:00 – 18:00	Introduction to Research Methods, Room: US-A 235
February, 5	12:00	Registration of Participants
April, 10	Abstract Submission	
April, 20	Abstract Remarks	
April, 24	14:00 – 16:00	Optional Discussion of submitted Abstracts
May, 14	14:00 – 16:00	Follow-up Meeting / Q & A-Session
June, 12	10:00 – 12:00	Optional Paper Presentations & Feedback
June, 19	10:00 – 12:00	Optional Paper Presentations & Feedback
June, 26	10:00 – 12:00	Optional Paper Presentations & Feedback
July, 06	Paper Submission	
July, 10	Submission of Presentation Slides	
July, 13	08:00 – 20:00	Final Presentations
July, 14	10:00 – 18:00	Final Presentations