



Workshop on Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Machine Learning and Financial Decision Making: Quantitative Approaches

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Bocconi University | Common Room – 2nd Floor

Via Röntgen 1, Milano

[**REGISTRATION FORM**](#)

PROGRAM

09:00 – 09:10 am	Introduction Speech by the Organizers
09:10 – 10:40 am	Title: Generative Diffusion Models and their applications Chair: G. Savarè Bocconi University Keynote Speech: M. Mezard Bocconi University "Generative models: generalization versus memorization" Speaker: J. Garnier Brun Bocconi University "Early Stopping Too Late? Traces of Memorization Before Overfitting in Generative Diffusion" Speaker: G. Conforti Università di Padova "Convergence bounds for diffusion models from continuous to discrete: a unified approach via score monotonicity"
10:40 – 11:10 pm	Coffee Break
11:10 am – 12:30 pm	Title: Interdisciplinary physics and its applications in economics Chair: C. Tebaldi Bocconi University Speaker: R. Mantegna Università di Palermo "Information filtering in financial networks" Speaker: A. Stella Università di Padova "Rare events and large deviation principle for critical variables: Ising model, anomalous diffusion and universality issues"
12:30 – 1:30 pm	Lunch



1:30 – 3:00 pm	Title: Financial Decision Making Chair: A. Battauz Bocconi University Speaker: S. Herzl University of Rome Tor Vergata "Reinforcement Learning for Financial Decisions" Speaker: P. Pigato University of Rome Tor Vergata "A stochastic volatility approximation for a tick-by-tick price model with mean-field interaction" Speaker: J. Dianetti University of Rome Tor Vergata "Reinforcement learning for exploratory optimal stopping: A singular control formulation"
3:00 – 3:15 pm	Break
3:15 – 4:15 pm	Title: PhD Session Chair: B. Rindi Bocconi University Speaker: A. Andolfatto Bocconi University "From Numbers to Words: Breaking Down Institutional Beliefs" Speaker: I. Leoni Bocconi University "Measuring Corporate Credit Contagion with Non-Regressive Machine Learning" Speaker: S. Staffolani Bocconi University Title TBA

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