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Education

B.Sc, Industrial Engineering and Management, Technische Universität Berlin, 2013 M.Sc, Industrial Engineering and Management, Technische Universität Berlin, 2014 Ph.D. (hons), Business Administration - Finance, Technische Universität Berlin, 2016, Habilitation, Business Administration, Technische Universität Berlin, 2024

Research Interests

His research interests include

- Behavioral Finance (e.g., Prospect Theory, Salience Theory),
- Digital Finance and Financial Innovation (e.g., Crowdfunding, Cryptocurrencies),
- Machine Learning Applications in Finance,
- Retail Investors' Decision Making,
- Risk and Stock Return Comovement.
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