

Swiss Finance Institute

SFI Master Class

About Swiss Finance Institute

The Swiss Finance Institute (SFI) is the national center for fundamental research, doctoral training, knowledge exchange, and continuing education in the fields of banking and finance.

The most valuable asset of any industry is the expertise of its labor force. For Switzerland to maintain its position as a leading financial center, such expertise must continue to grow throughout the financial marketplace. SFI contributes by providing forward-thinking ideas and by connecting key players.

SFI Master Classes

The modern form of continuing education in the financial sector: Exchange knowledge and best practice on frontier topics together with up to 50 experienced bank managers and specialists.

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SFI Master Class Specification



Focused learning units: Individual Master Classes are 3 to 4 hours long and take place Online or in person. They are intensive learning units that require active participation and serve the needs of experienced participants from the banking and finance industries.



Interactivity and engagement: Interactive learning is at the heart of SFI Master Classes. Moving beyond conventional, one-way knowledge transfer, SFI Master Classes embrace knowledge exchange between co-leaders and participants through in-class group activities, engaging discussions, and on-site networking opportunities.



High quality exchange: Our eight Swiss partner universities form the academic foundation of SFI. Seasoned industry experts and top SFI professors develop, co-lead, and moderate Master Classes, resulting in a balanced combination of academic rigor and practical application



Free course attendance: Employees of institutions affiliated with the Swiss Bankers Association (SBA) or of the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA) or the Swiss National Bank (SNB) can participate free of charge.

SFI Master Classes are recognized as four-hour SAQ recertification measures.

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Upcoming SFI Master Classes in 2024

Status as of April 1, 2024

Date	SFI Professor	Industry Expert(s)	Topics/Title	Venue	Language
Friday, April 19, 2024	Amit Goyal	François-Serge Lhabitant	Opportunities in Hedge Funds: Institutional Investor Strategies 1; 2; 5 / A	Zurich	English
Tuesday, May 14, 2024	Philippe Bacchetta	Barbara Rudolf	Monetary Policy with Low Real Interest Rates: Implications and Prospects 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Online	English
Wednesday, May 15, 2024	Rüdiger Fählenbrach	Adrian Hodel	Private Equity – Grundlagen, Trends und Herausforderungen 1; 5 / A	Zurich	German
Wednesday, May 22, 2024	Fabian Schär	Sébastien Kraenzlin Matthias Jüttner	Blockchain Technology in Finance 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6 / A	Zurich	English
Friday, May 24, 2024	Kjell G. Nyborg	Anastassios Frangulidis	Central Bank Policy Scenarios and their Impact on Asset Classes 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Online	English
Wednesday, June 05, 2024	Pierre Collin-Dufresne	Cyril Levy-Marchal	Tail Risk Management for Portfolios 1; 2 / A	Geneva	English
Thursday, June 13, 2024	Francesco Franzoni	Francesco Mandalà	Fund Selection: Blending Quantitative and Qualitative Factors 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Online	English
Friday, June 14, 2024	Amit Goyal	François-Serge Lhabitant	Opportunities in Hedge Funds: Institutional Investor Strategies 1; 2; 5 / A	Lugano	English
Tuesday, June 18, 2024	Erwan Morellec	Mark Keller	Sustainable Debt—Market Trends, Opportunities, and Challenges 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Geneva	English
Wednesday, June 19, 2024	Alexander F. Wagner	Richard Schindler	Finanzierung und Bewertung von KMUs 5; 6 / A	Bern	German
Monday, August 26, 2024	Andreas Fuster	Mike Hofmann	Banken im Wandel: Analog, Digital, Offen 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Bern	German
Wednesday, September 04, 2024	Norman Schürhoff	Annika Schröder	Maschinelles Lernen und KI im Bank- und Finanzwesen: Grundlagen, Potenzial, Anwendung, Umsetzung 1; 5 / A & B	Bern	German
Monday, September 16, 2024	Steven Ongena	Michael Keller	Sustainable Lending—How to Reduce Ecological Risk and Enhance Ecological Sustainability in the Corporate Business 1; 5; 6 / A	Zurich	English
Tuesday, September 17, 2024	Norman Schürhoff	Matthias Uhl	NLP and Sentiment Analysis in Investment Management 1 / A	Geneva	English
Tuesday, September 24, 2024	Olivier Scaillet	Alain Beuchat Beat Schaer	Managing Cyber Vulnerabilities in the Financial Industry 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A & B	Online	English
Friday, September 27, 2024	Laurent Frésard	Guido Bolliger	Impact Investing 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6 / A & B	Neuchâtel	French
Thursday, October 03, 2024	Kjell G. Nyborg	Anastassios Frangulidis	Central Bank Policy Scenarios and their Impact on Asset Classes 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Online	English
Wednesday, October 23, 2024	Roland Füss	Stefan Fahrländer	ESG-Risiken in der Immobilienfinanzierung 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Bern	German
Tuesday, October 29, 2024	Josef Teichmann	Bastian Bergmann	ChatGPT, Large Language Models, and Their Impact on the Finance Industry 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6 / A & B	Geneva	English
Wednesday, October 30, 2024	Rüdiger Fahlenbrach	Markus Benzler	Private Equity 1; 5 / A	Online	English
Thursday, October 31, 2024	Zacharias Sautner	Andreas Döpfert	Klima- und Biodiversitätsrisiken 1; 2; 3; 4; 5; 6 / A	Zurich	German
Thursday, November 07, 2024	Amit Goyal	Jamil Baz	Earning Excess Returns by Taking Risks—Risk Premiums Across Investments 1; 2 / A	Online	English
Tuesday, November 12, 2024	Philippe Bacchetta	Barbara Rudolf	Monetary Policy with Low Real Interest Rates: Implications and Prospects 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Zurich	English
Monday, November 18, 2024	Andreas Fuster	Mike Hofmann	Banken im Wandel: Analog, Digital, Offen 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	St. Gallen	German
Thursday, November 21, 2024	Pierre Collin-Dufresne	Günter Schwarz	Risk Management Using Factor Models 1; 2 / A	Zurich	English
Friday, November 22, 2024	Erwan Morellec	Andreas Fandl	Sustainable Debt—Market Trends, Opportunities, and Challenges 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Zurich	English
Friday, December 06, 2024	Francesco Franzoni	Francesco Mandalà	Selezione dei fondi: Una miscela di fattori quantitativi e qualitativi 1; 2; 3; 5; 6 / A	Lugano	Italian

Information for SAQ Certificate holders:

- SAQ profiles: 1: CWMA; 2: Affluent; 3: CICA; 4: PC; 5: CCoB; 6: SME
- SAQ aspects: A: Industry Knowledge; B: Conduct

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