Derivatives Financial Innovations

China has initiated and implemented its economic reforms for over 30 years, however, the comprehensive economic reforms and opening up is still unfolding. The author was a state leader, who has personally engaged in China's economic policy-making process from 1999 to 2008, and is an economist, who has deeply studied and thought over China's financial reform in various aspects. This book summarizes the results of the author's research on China's financial reforms, adopting the fictitious economy theory, in the past 10 years. Financial Reforms and Development in China focuses on the developmental process and main features of the fictitious economy; the essence and the law of the fictitious capital (including credit capital, knowledge capital, social capital, etc.); the relationship between the fictitious economy and the real economy. The book attempts to use the fictitious economy theory to analyze the chaos and self-organization of financial system, financial crisis, inflation and deflation, economic globalization, and knowledge-based economy and society. The book, comprising 12 chapters, covers all the main aspects of China's financial reform and provides readers with a practitioner's reading of China's financial markets, including financial globalization, the financial system and product innovation, financial crisis, financial security, financial regulation, universal banking, capital markets, money market, commercial banks, rural finance, futures markets, foreign exchange markets, financial derivatives, equity markets, insurance and so on. The book is invaluable from the perspectives of its contribution to economic theory, in developing an understanding of the actual workings of China's economic and financial reforms in the past decade, and in forecasting future developments in China's economy and financial markets. It will appeal to academics, undergraduate students, graduate students, professionals, general readers interested in finance, the financial reform and market in China, as well as China's development and the fictitious economy. Contents:Introduction: Finance from the Perspective of Fictitious EconomyFinancial Globalization and China's Financial ReformCauses of Deflation and China's CountermeasuresSystematic Analysis and Proposals for Improvement and Modification of China's Stock MarketStrategic Thinking about the Development of China's Money MarketThe Reform of China's State-Owned Commercial Banks: Objectives and MeasuresSeeking Effective Ways to Develop Chinese Rural FinanceStatus Quo and Prospects of China's Venture Capital IndustryAnalysis and Suggestions on Chinese Housing ReformGlobal Financial Crisis and the Strategy for ChinaThe Reform of RMB Exchange Rate SystemConclusion: Three Directions for China's Financial Reforms Readership: Academics, undergraduate students, graduate students, professionals, general readers interested in China's financial reform, financial market, China's development, fictitions economy. Keywords:China's Financial Reform;Financial System and Product Innovation;Financial Crisis;Financial Security;Financial Regulation;Universal Banking;Capital Markets;Money Market;Commercial Banks;Rural Finance;Futures Markets;Foreign Exchange Markets;Financial Derivatives;Equity Markets;Insurance

Understand derivatives in a nonmathematical way Financial Derivatives, Third Edition gives readers a broad working knowledge of derivatives. For individuals who want to understand derivatives without getting bogged down in the mathematics surrounding their pricing and valuation Financial Derivatives, Third Edition is the perfect read. This comprehensive resource provides a thorough introduction to financial derivatives and their importance to risk management in a corporate setting.

This chapter comes from Derivative Financial Instruments, written by a renowned corporate financial advisor. This timely guide offers a comprehensive treatment of

derivative financial instruments, fully covering bonds, interest swaps, options, futures, Forex, and more. The author explains the strategic use of derivatives, their place in portfolio management, hedging, and the importance of managing risk.
In 10 thought-provoking chapters, some of the industry's heavy-hitters share the latest information on a fascinating range of topics, including exotic options, structured notes, derivatives on foreign equities, mortgage-backed securities, and commodities. These financial experts analyze each innovation in detail, providing a theoretical point of view as well as from an applied real-world perspective. Inside, you'll find creative uses of FLEX options; techniques for increasing returns with structured notes; new applications for currency forwards; ways to reengineer cash flows through mortgage derivatives; important lessons learned from recent derivatives-related losses and much more.
An Introduction to Credit Derivatives
Innovations in Derivatives Markets
Global Derivative Debacles
Modern Banking and OTC Derivatives Markets
Codes of Finance
Introduction to Derivative Financial Instruments, Chapter 1 - Financial Innovation
The world’s leading financial thinkers share their insights into the latest developments in credit derivatives In The Credit Derivatives Handbook, some of the world's sharpest financial and legal minds come together to discuss how credit derivatives have evolved from tools restricted to the banking industry into flexible and customizable instruments used by investors of all kinds. You will come away with the knowledge and insight needed to measure and value risk, as well as the ability to put credit derivatives to work. Over fifteen contributors provide in-depth analyses of subjects in their respective areas of expertise, such as: Key products, applications, and typical trades, hedging and credit structuring Pricing of credit default swaps and synthetic CDOs Design of synthetic CDOs Copula models, with illustrative examples Credit derivatives in investment portfolios Opportunities for structuring credit derivatives in accordance with Islamic finance Comprehensive in scope but executed in meticulous detail, The Credit Derivatives Handbook provides a complete, global perspective of what the editors consider “one of the most important financial innovations of recent times.”
Do financial derivatives enhance or impede innovation? We aim to answer this question by examining the relationship between equity options markets and standard measures of firm innovation. Our baseline results show that firms with more options trading activity generate more patents and patent citations per dollar of R&D invested. We then investigate how more active options markets affect firms' innovation strategy. Our results suggest that firms with greater trading activity pursue a more creative, diverse and risky innovation strategy. We discuss potential underlying mechanisms and show that options appear to mitigate managerial career concerns that would induce managers to take actions that boost short-term performance measures. Finally, using several econometric specifications that try to account for the potential endogeneity of options trading, we argue that the positive effect of options trading on firm innovation is causal.
Scholarly Essay from the year 2004 in the subject Business economics - Banking, Stock Exchanges, Insurance, Accounting, grade: 1,7 (A-), University of Teesside (Teesside Business School), course: Money and Finance - Economics, language: English, comment:, abstract: Financial markets have always undergone changes . However since

the 70s the speed of change has accelerated enormously . New types of financial instruments, financial markets and techniques have been developed. The most significant innovations have been the financial derivatives, e.g. futures, options and swaps and the development of securitisation which have mainly been created to manage risk and provide liquidity. The market for these instruments has become huge - by some estimates in excess of $100 trillion . History shows that financial innovation has been a critical and persistent part of the economic landscape. But why has it been like that? First of all for a better understanding it is necessary to define the term 'financial innovation'. Financial innovation is described by Van Horne as "the life blood of efficient and responsive capital markets" . He emphasis that it is part of the bedrock of our financial system. Merton views financial innovation as "the engine driving the financial system towards its goal of improving the performance of what economists call the real economy." Other authors define financial innovation as "the design of new financial instruments and techniques of financial intermediation, structural change in the financial system, with the appearance of new financial markets and changes in organisation and behaviour of institutions" as well as "the design of new financial instruments or the packaging together of existing financial instruments" . There is a general recognition of the particular importance of financial innovations for the wealth of a society. This paper outlines the nature and main features of innovation in financial markets and suggests what factors

Contains original papers that examine various issues concerning the role, the structure and functioning of credit, currency and derivatives instruments and markets as they relate to financial crises. This title stresses the importance of the inter-linkages of these instruments and markets in promoting or hindering financial stability or crises.

Fixed Income Modeling, Valuation Adjustments, Risk Management, and Regulation

The Transformation of Global Finance and Its Implications for Systemic Risk

Derivatives, Financial Innovation and Taxation

Merton Miller on Derivatives

An Academician's Point of View

Dinosaur Derivatives And Other Trades

Over the past decade, credit derivatives have emerged as the key financial innovation in global capital markets. At end 2004, the market size hit $6.4 billion (in notional amounts) from virtually nothing in 1995. This rise has been spurred by the imperative for banks to better manage their risks, not least credit risks, and the appetite shown by institutional investors and hedge funds for innovative, high yielding structured investment products. As a result, growth in collateralized debt obligations and other second-generation products, such as credit indices, is currently phenomenal. It is enabled by the standardization and increased liquidity in credit default swaps – the building block of the credit derivatives market. Written by market practitioners and specialists, this book covers the fundamentals of the credit derivatives and structured credit market, including in-depth product descriptions, analysis of real transactions, market overview, pricing models, banks business models. It is recommended reading for students in business schools and financial courses, academics, and professionals working in investment and asset management, banking, corporate treasury and the capital markets. Highlights include: Written by market practitioners and specialists with first-hand experience in the credit derivatives and structured credit market A clearly-written, pedagogical book with numerous illustrations Detailed review of real-case transactions A comprehensive historical perspective on market developments including up-to-date analysis of the latest trends

In this book, Nobel Laureate Merton Miller presents a sustained attack on the popular view that modern financial innovations have created excessive market volatility to the detriment of individual savers and business investors, and that regulation is essential in such forms as higher margin requirements, taxes on trading, and perhaps even closing down the future market.

In recent years, discussions of financial innovation and risk management have invariably turned to credit derivatives. Although these instruments are drawing increasing attention and growing in importance, credit derivatives remain an obscure subject for many participants in the financial markets. The following is drawn largely from a presentation made by Frank Fernandez, Senior Vice President, Chief Economist and Director of Research, Securities Industry Association, at the Rutgers Business School conference on Financial Innovation: Session IV: Financial Innovation and Risk Management-Credit Derivatives, which took place in New York City on November 12, 2004.

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Petroleum Derivatives Trading in the 19th Century

Financial Innovation and Risk Management

How Traders and Investors Can Learn from Past Lessons

Governing Global Derivatives

Introduction To Derivative Securities, Financial Markets, And Risk Management, An (Second Edition)

Key Financial Instruments

Through the eyes of an inventor of new markets, Good Derivatives: A Story of Financial and Environmental Innovation tells the story of how financial innovation – a concept that is misunderstood and under attack - has been a positive force in the last four decades. If properly designed and regulated, these “good derivatives” can open vast possibilities to address a variety of global problems. Filled with provocative ideas, fascinating stories, and valuable lessons, it will provide both an insightful interpretation of the last forty years in capital and environmental markets and a vision of world finance for the next forty years. As a young economist at the Chicago Board of Trade, Richard Sandor helped create interest rate futures, a development that revolutionized worldwide finance. Later, he pioneered the use of emissions trading to reduce acid rain, one of the most successful environmental programs ever. He will provide unique insights into the process of creating these new financial products. Covering successes and failures, the story describes the tireless process of inventing, educating and creating support for these new inventions in places like Chicago, New York, London, Paris and how it is unfolding today in Mumbai, Shanghai and Beijing. The book will tell the story of the creation of the Chicago Climate Exchange and its affiliated exchanges (European Climate Exchange, Chicago Climate Futures Exchange and Tianjin Climate Exchange, located in China). The lessons learned in these markets can play a critical role in effectively addressing global climate change and other pressing environmental issues. The author argues that market-based trading systems are a far more effective means of reducing pollutants than “command-and-control”. Environmental markets may ultimately help to find solutions to issues such as rainforest destruction, water problems and biodiversity threats. Written in an engaging, narrative style, Good Derivatives will be of interest to both practitioners and general readers who want to better understand the creative process of financial innovation. In the middle of so much distrust of markets, it is also a recipe of how transparent, well-regulated markets can be a force for good in the environmental, health, and social areas.

Codes of Finance is an ethnography of a global bank inventing new derivative products. It describes the multiple languages invented to describe and control these new products. It analyzes the recent discussions about financial derivatives and offers a new framework to understand financial innovation.

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A chapter from the Global Innovation Science Handbook, a comprehensive guide to the science, art, tools, and deployment of innovation, brought together by two Editors of the prestigious International Journal of Innovation Science, with ground-breaking contributions from global innovation leaders in every type of industry.

Engineering Derivatives in a Global Bank

Three Essays in Financial Markets. The Bright Side of Financial Derivatives: Options Trading and Firm Innovation

From Theory to Malpractice

A Trapped Innovation and a Blueprint for Regulatory Reform

A Guide for Investors

Financial Reforms and Developments in China

A number of questions remained unanswered with respect to the regulation of large financial institutions after the global financial crisis (GFC) of 2007-08. Some pressing issues have resurfaced in the context of the recent interest rate swap scandals. These events provided the opportunity to reflect on the wider socio-political agenda that involves the regulation of banks' behaviour vis-à-vis societal stakeholders. In particular, the IRS scandals have shown the ability that banks have to firstly, innovate and customise complex financial products, and secondly, limit their legal liability when selling them to investors. This has resulted in a highly unfair balance of powers between financial institutions on the one hand and regulators and financial consumers on the other.The narrative of the scandals points to two fundamental enquiries: 1) It reconceptualises the process of financial innovation in light of the actors behind it and its purposes; 2) It appraises the prevailing culture permeating financial markets and whether regulation can impact on culture at all. This analysis prompts reflection on two policy issues: firstly, on the role of financial institutions in society; and secondly, on their powers vis-à-vis regulators and societal stakeholders. This article will argue that significant changes are still needed in order to cause the shift that would align financial institutions' business towards sustainable and socially inclusive goals.

This book presents 20 peer-reviewed chapters on current aspects of derivatives markets and derivative pricing. The contributions, written by leading researchers in the field as well as experienced authors from the financial industry, present the state of the art in: • Modeling counterparty credit risk: credit valuation adjustment, debit valuation adjustment, funding valuation adjustment, and wrong way

risk. • Pricing and hedging in fixed-income markets and multi-curve interest-rate modeling. • Recent developments concerning contingent convertible bonds, the measuring of basis spreads, and the modeling of implied correlations. The recent financial crisis has cast tremendous doubts on the classical view on derivative pricing. Now, counterparty credit risk and liquidity issues are integral aspects of a prudent valuation procedure and the reference interest rates are represented by a multitude of curves according to their different periods and maturities. A panel discussion included in the book (featuring Damiano Brigo, Christian Fries, John Hull, and Daniel Sommer) on the foundations of modeling and pricing in the presence of counterparty credit risk provides intriguing insights on the debate.

Governing Global Derivatives analyzes the role of the most important financial innovation of the last two decades - financial derivatives - in a global dimension. The evolution of derivatives, especially Over the Counter (OTC), and the possibility of managing risks tailored to customers' needs, are the basic recipe for the success of derivatives. This book focuses on the role of derivatives from a macroeconomic point of view, considering how monetary theory and policy, fiscal policy and the growth process are affected. It fills a gap by rethinking the way financial markets are considered in the macroeconomy and the transmission mechanism of impulses.

This book analyzes in depth all major derivatives debacles of the last half century including the multi-billion losses and/or bankruptcy of Metallgesellschaft (1994), Barings Bank (1995), Long Term Capital Management (1998), Amaranth (2006), Société Générale (2008) , AIG (2008) and JP Morgan-Chase (2012). It unlocks the secrets of derivatives by telling the stories of institutions which played in the derivative market and lost big. For some of these unfortunate organizations it was daring but flawed financial engineering which brought them havoc. For others it was unbridled speculation perpetrated by rogue traders whose unchecked fraud brought their house down. Should derivatives be feared "as financial weapons of mass destruction" or hailed as financial innovations which through efficient risk transfer are truly adding to the Wealth of Nations? By presenting a factual analysis of how the malpractice of derivatives played havoc with derivative end-user and dealer *institutions, a case is made for vigilance not only to market and counter-party risk but also operational risk in their use for risk management and proprietary trading. Clear and recurring lessons across the different stories in this volume call not only for a tighter but also "smarter" control system of derivatives trading and should be of immediate interest to financial managers, bankers, traders, auditors and regulators who are directly or indirectly exposed to financial derivatives. The book groups cases by derivative category, starting with the simplest and building up to the most complex — namely, Forwards, Futures, Options and Swaps in that order, with applications in commodities, foreign exchange, stock indices and interest rates. Each chapter deals with one derivative debacle, providing a rigorous and comprehensive but non-technical elucidation of what happened. What is new in the second edition? A new chapter on JP Morgan-Chase's London Whale, an in-depth discussion of credit-default swaps, and an update of the revamped regulatory framework with Basel 2.5 and Basel III against the backdrop of the Euro crisis, along with a revised and expanded discussion of the AIG debacle. Contents:Derivatives and the Wealth of NationsForwards:Showa Shell Sekiyu K KCitibank's Forex LossesBank Negara MalaysiaFutures:Amaranth Advisors LLCMetallgesellschaftSumitomoOptions: Allied LyonsAllied Irish BanksBaringsSociété GénéraleSwaps:Procter & GambleGibson Greeting CardsOrange CountyLong-Term Capital ManagementAIGJP Morgan Chase London WhaleFrom Theory to Malpractice: Lessons Learned Readership: Economists; undergraduates and graduates majoring in finance, economics and business administration; professionals, financial managers and CPAs in the financial service industry. Key Features:Includes simple graphs or numerical illustrations to enhance readers' understanding of the complex world of derivatives and financial engineering step-by-step, story-by-storyUses actual case studies to introduce college students, finance professionals and general readers to the world of high finance which shapes their day-to-day livesDemystifies the mysterious world of financial derivativesBrings alive difficult concepts by profiling the protagonists in each debacle and the corporate setting within which the derivative debacle unfoldedProvides a glossary of key concepts to discuss the respective derivatives product, how* *it is valued, trading strategies, and the workings of the market where it is tradedKeywords:Derivatives;Debacles;Options;Swaps;Futures;Forwards;Financial Engineering;Market Manipulation;Rogue Traders;Speculation;London WhaleReview: Reviews of the First Edition: "This timely and well-written book is a 'must read' for anyone directly or indirectly involved in financial markets and instruments as well as risk management. By telling actual stories of how rogue traders and incompetent managers put their firms at risk, the author demystifies the complex world of financial derivatives. His incisive and in-depth analysis of all major derivatives debacles should help the reader understand what happened and avoid future disasters." Gabriel Hawawini The Henry Grunfeld Professor of Investment Banking INSEAD "The author has written a book whose clarity makes it accessible to a wide range of practitioners and executives, and he brings the technical subject matter to life through the concrete examples of the highest profile failures in the use of derivatives" B Craig Owens Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Campbell Soup "The book is a timely contribution to a subject that has been at the epicenter of the current financial crisis … Learning from past mistakes and applying the lessons is what sets this book apart and should make it a useful guide for practitioners." Dr Oliver S Kratz Head of Global Thematic Equities Deutsche Bank*

Financial Innovation in Turkish Banking

Financial Innovation - with a Particular View on the Role of Banks

Good Derivatives

The Derivatives Revolution

Financial Innovation in an Emerging Market

Financial Innovations and the Welfare of Nations

The end of the twentieth century was a period of far reaching changes in the processes and instrumentalities of finance, witnessing ever increasing rates of financial innovation resulting in a thorough redrafting of the landscape of the financial markets. Financial innovation and the new products it has generated, such as financial derivatives, have introduced new risks into the financial sector resulting in unanticipated market breaks and increased financial instability. This paper explores the historical development of innovative financial products, focusing on the construction of new derivative contracts. The paper argues that the financial sector's ability to appreciate all of the risks created by derivative instruments is obscured by its reliance on neoclassical economic theory to provide its understanding of the role of innovations in the financial sector. When the development of new financial innovations is viewed through the lens provided by the heterodox schools of conomics the dangers that they produce are more readily appreciable and more susceptible to provention and control. The paper argues for a pervasive system of regulation for new financial products as the only way to prevent the tendency of derivative instruments to introduce unmanageable risks into the financial sector.

The central question addressed in Financial Innovations and the Welfare of Nations is how the transfer of financial innovations from developed to developing economies can nurture the dynamics of emerging capital markets. National capital markets can be positioned along a continuum ranging from embryonic to mature and emerged markets according to a decreasing "national cost of capital" criterion. In the introductory chapter Laurent Jacque argues that newly emerging countries are handicapped by a high cost of capital due to "incomplete" and inefficient financial markets. As capital markets graduate to higher level of "emergedness", their national firms avail themselves of a lower cost of capital that makes them more competitive in the global economy and spurs economic growth. Skillful transfer of financial innovations to emerging markets often encourages the deregulation of the country's financial services sector. This results into new conduits for a more efficient capital allocation process such as commercial paper, securitized consumer finance and other disintermediated modes of financing which out-compete traditional financial intermediaries (mostly commercial banks), reduce households' cost of living and conjointly fuel the dynamics of emerging markets. Our response to the central question of how the transfer of financial innovations can enhance the Wealth of Nations is to show that it reduces the cost of capital while not unduly increasing systemic risk. Part I examines the relationship between financial innovations and systemic risk of the international financial system.

During the last decade, a number of new financial instruments and derivative products related to the Greek drachma have emerged in local as well as international capital markets. The paper analyzes the characteristics of these financial instruments which are traded in organized exchanges and over-the-counter (OTC) markets, and evaluates the conditions under which they have evolved. Drawing from legislative and industry developments in the European Union (EU) and the United States, the paper also examines the effects and implications of such developments for local markets and for the conduct of monetary and foreign exchange policies and argues for the need for sound macroeconomic policies.

It is now widely recognized that an uncontrolled "derivatives revolution" triggered one of the most spectacular worst-case scenarios of modern times. This book - the most cogent legal analysis of the subject yet to appear in any language - lays bare the core role played by the failure to adequately regulate derivatives in the financial crisis of recent years. The author's insistence that derivatives must be viewed not as profit-seeking investments but as risk management tools - and his well-grounded prescriptions to ensure that they are regulated in that way - sheds clear light on the best way for companies, financial institutions, and hedge funds to move forward in their use of these useful but highly hazardous instruments. This book clearly shows how such elements as the following fit into the legal analysis of derivatives, and how proper regulation will preserve their usefulness and economic value: ; derivatives allow for the most efficient and cost-effective risk fractioning, hence risk taking, techniques ever conceived; derivatives allow for all measurable and identifiable risks that may exist in modern finance; the ability to isolate risks and insure against risk exposures is the key to the very survival of modern financial markets; risk buyers effectively take on financial exposure to various types of risk while hedgers unload unwanted exposures; derivatives allow domestic investors to acquire exposure to foreign markets without the necessity of dealing with foreign laws, foreign investments, currency exchange, or foreign fiscal regimes; derivatives increase social welfare by making it easier and less expensive to carry out many types of financial transactions; derivatives allow governments to insulate, manage, hedge or concentrate risks deriving from financial, meteorological, and even geopolitical exposure; and derivatives allow radical changes to financial and risk structure to be performed silently and rapidly. To the question: how do we ensure that a company trading derivatives is regulated effectively? this work offers a clear and convincing answer. The author's detailed recommendations for regulatory and corporate governance measures are designed to prevent excessive risk taking, the emergence of rogue traders, and ultimately the emergence of another systemic disturbance caused by chains of derivatives-related losses.

An FDA for Financial Innovation

A Critical Discussion with Special Consideration of Islamic Banks and Financial Institutions

Over-The-Counter Derivatives

Global Innovation Science Handbook, Chapter 48 - Financial Innovation

Contemporary Financial Innovation

A Story of Financial and Environmental Innovation

Written by two of the most distinguished finance scholars in the industry, this introductory textbook on derivatives and risk management is highly accessible in terms of the concepts as well as the mathematics.With its economics perspective, this rewritten and streamlined second edition textbook, is closely connected to real markets, and:Beginning at a level that is comfortable to lower division college students, the book gradually develops the content so that its lessons can be profitably used by business majors, arts, science, and engineering graduates as well as MBAs who would work in the finance industry. Supplementary materials are available to instructors who adopt this textbook for their courses. These include:Solutions Manual with detailed solutions to nearly 500 end-of-chapter questions and problemsPowerPoint slides and a Test Bank for adoptersPRICED! In line with current teaching trends, we have woven spreadsheet applications throughout the text. Our aim is for students to achieve self-sufficiency so that they can generate all the models and graphs in this book via a spreadsheet software, Priced!

Business practices, derivatives markets, regulation, financial innovations.

A rare opportunity to go one-on-one with an industry giant and one of today's most respected financial thinkers, Merton Miller on Derivatives is a refreshingly accessible overview of derivatives, the revolution they have wrought, and the disasters they've supposedly caused. Though routinely assailed by regulators and the media, derivatives are hailed by a celebrated group of practitioners, analysts, and theorists, led most notably by Nobel laureate Merton Miller. Miller is legendary for repeatedly demonstrating-often with humor and always with grace-the value of derivatives in price discovery, managing financial risk, and tailoring a risk-return profile. Here, in this collection of his recent essays, Miller expounds on a number of critical derivatives issues. Is it a problem that some organizations have lost substantial sums on derivatives? Miller's short answer: Some organizations will always find ways to lose *money. Nor does he believe that more government regulation is the answer. He notes, for example, that for all the horror stories about derivatives, the world's banks have lost vastly more in bad real estate deals than they'll ever lose on their derivatives portfolios. Merton Miller on Derivatives offers twenty-two provocative chapters. A sampling: "The Recent Derivatives 'Disasters': Assessing the Damage" takes a close look at such debacles as Procter & Gamble, Orange County, and Barings Bank. "Financial Regulation: The Inside Game" uses an apt sports analogy to show how the derivatives regulatory game is really played, as opposed to the way outsiders imagine it is played. "Japanese-American Trade Relations: Can Rambo Beat Godzilla?" succinctly sums up the nature of Japanese-American trade. And "Risk and Return on Futures Contracts: A Chicago View" highlights the pivotal role derivatives play in hedging risk. There are also penetrating pieces on corporate governance that compare the system existing in the United States and England with the one existing in Germany and Japan. To complete the collection, a section called "Questions I'm Often Asked" features Miller's unique perspective on a wide range of topics, from what's ahead for China to what we've learned from the Crash of 1987. Contrary to widely held perceptions, the so-called "derivatives revolution" has made the world safer, not more dangerous. This explains the phenomenal growth of financial futures. As Miller shows, derivatives enable organizations to deal effectively with risks that have plagued them for decades, even centuries. Praise for merton miller on derivatives "Miller is one of the clearest thinkers of our time. Once again, he provides a simple, insightful, and witty analysis of an important and complex topic. This book is truly fun to read." -Kenneth R. French Beinecke Professor of Management Studies and Finance Yale University School of Management. "Some of us trade markets; others of us observe markets; Merton Miller understands markets. As this volume demonstrates, Professor Miller is unsurpassed at cutting through fluff, misinterpretation, and even obfuscation to get to the heart of highly charged issues." -Charles W. Smithson Managing Director, CIBC Wood Gundy. "Vintage Merton Miller: zesty writing and forcefully communicated ideas, not only on derivatives, but on a wide range of topics in financial markets. This is no ponderous academic tome, but rather a series of entertaining, yet devastatingly analytical essays on controversial issues in finance. Great reading and great analysis." -Hans R. Stoll Walker Professor of Finance and Director of the Financial Markets Research Center, Vanderbilt University. "I am grateful to Merton Miller for setting the record straight, once again, regarding derivatives. With his customary brilliance, Merton cuts through the fog of misunderstanding and nonsense that too often surrounds derivatives and reveals them for what they truly are: phenomenally successful and essential risk management tools." -Jack Sandner Chairman, Chicago Mercantile Exchange.*

This book is about over-the-counter derivatives, which is arguably one of the most important modern markets in today's increasingly financialized world. It takes the readers deep into the origin, development, and growth of over-the-counter derivatives in the past one century and a half, with a particular focus on commodity related product innovations and the financial scams involved. Tracing the market boom and bust and shedding light on an alternative aspect of the commodity derivatives market evolution, this important new work is an accessible and comprehensive guide for anyone involved in the derivatives market, including traders, investment managers, banking institutions, and corporate risk management professionals. It is also an essential resource for

regulators and finance researchers who are interested in the problems faced by the government in its regulatory efforts with financial innovations.
Challenges and Risks
Derivatives And Financial Innovations
Cutting-edge Innovations & Real-world Applications
The Economic Functions of Derivatives
Credit Derivatives and Structured Credit
Credit, Currency or Derivatives

Venture deep into the heart of finance's weird and wonderful paradoxes Dinosaur Derivatives and Other Trades is an entertaining and compelling tour de force highlighting the paradoxes inherent to the modern financial system. Presented as a series of striking case studies, this book explores certain enigmatic or philosophical puzzles in the finance industry; some of these puzzles may seem slightly absurd at first glance, but all are very relevant to the way finance is conducted in the real world. Each story highlights specific hypocrisies or moral dilemmas that lie at the heart of the system, guiding readers through the challenges of finance by way of innovative and memorable paradigms. Written in clear, accessible language, this book doesn't claim to offer original financial theory or philosophy as such, but instead deepens the reader's understanding of the system and stimulates independent consideration of the current state of affairs. The financial world, so often viewed as a rather dull place, is secretly alive with possibilities of strange and sometimes wonderful conundrums. There is the possibility, for instance, of a Manhattan auction house selling derivatives to buy swift-swimming predators known as Megalodons (thought to be extinct for millions of years). This book explores this and other curious propositions to point out the paradoxes of finance. Explore the meaning of "value" in different contexts Learn what the Old Testament can teach us about risk and uncertainty Examine an alternative take on the 2007/2008 credit crisis Consider how the "financial innovation" trend impacts the industry To truly understand something, it is necessary to crawl deep into the metaphorical underbelly and have a look around. Dinosaur Derivatives and Other Trades provides the itinerary, and the insightful discussion that stimulates curiosity.

We investigate whether financial innovation, specifically the introduction of derivative products, spurs firms' real innovation, measured with patent based metrics. Consistent with financial innovation being an important contribution to real innovation, we find that the use of financial derivatives causes firm patent production to increase. The main mechanism behind the relationship is improved risk management. Derivatives usage decreases cash flow volatility, decreasing the need for external financing, and allowing firms to expand their innovative projects.

"Key Financial Instruments" is both an accessible cure for derivatiphobia and a practical manual for the successful development and use of financial products.

The book demystifies key financial instruments; their structures, benefits, risks and rewards, giving the confidence to successfully use and avoid the abuse of all types of derivative products. This book brings financial instruments to life. Learn to distinguish the genuinely useful from the obscure and unnecessary in the world of financial instruments.

The financial crisis of 2008 was caused in part by speculative investment in sophisticated derivatives. In enacting the Dodd-Frank Act, Congress sought to address the problem of speculative investment, but merely transferred that authority to various agencies, which have not yet found a solution. Most discussions center on enhanced disclosure and the use of exchanges and clearinghouses. However, we argue that disclosure rules do not address the real problem, which is that financial firms invest enormous resources to develop financial products that facilitate gambling and regulatory arbitrage, both of which are socially wasteful activities. We propose that when investors invent new financial products, they be forbidden to market them until they receive approval from a government agency designed along the lines of the FDA, which screens pharmaceutical innovations. The agency would approve financial products if and only if they satisfy a test for social utility. The test centers around a simple market analysis: is the product likely to be used more often for hedging or speculation? Other factors may be addressed if the answer is ambiguous. This approach would revive and make quantitatively precise the common-law insurable interest doctrine, which helped control financial speculation before deregulation in the 1990s.

Derivatives & Financial Innovations

Financial innovations Involving the Greek Drachma

Financial Innovations and Market Volatility

Understanding and Innovating in the World of Derivatives

Orthodoxy and Alternatives