



AGENDA

2025 PCAOB / Management Science Registered Reports Conference September 26-27, 2025 Washington Plaza Hotel, 10 Thomas Circle, NW, Washington, DC.

The views expressed in the panels and/or in the papers selected for presentation are those of the authors/presenters and do not necessarily reflect those of the PCAOB Board members or staff.

| Friday, September 26 (Times are shown in ET) | | |
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| 8:00 - 8:50 am | Registration and Breakfast | |
| 8:50 - 9:10 am | Welcome Remarks Josh White, Acting Chief Economist and Director, PCAOB Office of Economic & Risk Analysis | |
| 9:10 - 9:55 am | Management Science Editors Panel: Is the PCAOB an Effective Watchdog? Insights From Research and Practice Jan Bouwens, University of Amsterdam; Trevor Harris, Columbia University; Ranjani | |
| | Krishan, Michigan State University; Shivaram Rajgopal, Columbia University; Kyle Sutton, Michigan State University | |
| 10:00 - 10:55 am | Proposal 1: Audit Engagement Effectiveness, Production, and Economics: Usage of Technology-Assisted Analysis | |
| | Authors: Colleen Boland, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee; Nicholas Galunic, PCAOB; Matthew Sherwood,* University of Massachusetts Amherst | |
| | Discussant: Tracie Majors, University of Southern California | |
| 10:55 - 11:15 am | Break | |
| 11:15 am - 12:10 pm | Proposal 2: How Does Generative AI Affect Auditors and Audit Engagements? A Randomized Field Experiment | |
| | Authors: Hun-Tong Tan,* Nanyang Technological University; Jiaqi Wang, Renmin University of China; Tu Xu, Renmin University of China; Min Zhang, Renmin University of China | |
| | Discussant: Cassandra Estep, Emory University | |
| 12:15 - 12:30 pm | PCAOB Acting Chair Remarks | |
| | George Botic, Acting Chair of the Public Company Accounting Oversight Board | |
| 12:30 - 1:30 pm | Lunch | |
| 1:30 - 2:25 pm | Proposal 3: Engagement Quality Review Partner Assignment and Effectiveness in U.S. Audits | |
| | Authors: Matthew Ege, Texas A&M University; Brandon Gipper,* University of Notre Dame; Summer Liu, Texas A&M University | |
| | Discussant: Justin Leiby, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign | |
| 2:30 - 3.25 pm | Proposal 4: The Consequences of Private Equity Investment in Accounting Firms | |
| | Authors: Tuan Doan,* University of Connecticut; Steven Utke, University of Connecticut; Ying Zhou, University of Connecticut; Youli Zou, University of Connecticut | |
| | Discussant: Ken Reichelt, Louisiana State University | |

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| 3:25 - 3:45 pm | Break | |
| 3.45 - 4:40 pm | Proposal 5: Accounting Service Offshoring and Financial Reporting Quality | |
| | Authors: Fabio da Silva Soares, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Jason Kim, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Nemit Shroff, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Felix Vetter,* Massachusetts Institute of Technology Discussant: Robert Knechel, University of Florida | |
| 4.45 - 5.40 pm | Proposal 6: Drawing the Line: Boundary Work and the Interactions between the | |
| | Centralized and Core Audit Teams | |
| | Authors: Sabrina Salomé, Virginia Tech; Sarah Stein, Virginia Tech; Karneisha Wolfe,* University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign | |
| | Discussant: Emily Griffith, University of Wisconsin-Madison | |
| 5:40 - 7:00 pm | Reception | |
| Saturday, September 27 (Times are shown in ET) | | |
| 8:30 - 9:00 am | Registration and Breakfast | |
| 9:00 - 9:05 am | Day 2 Opening Remarks | |
| | Josh White, Acting Chief Economist and Director, PCAOB Office of Economic & Risk Analysis | |
| 9:05 - 10:00 am | Proposal 7: The Consolidation of Global Network Firms – Implications for Audit Quality and Efficiency | |
| | Authors: Jagan Krishnan, Temple University; Jayanthi Krishnan, Temple University; Steve Maex,* George Mason University | |
| | Discussant: Andrew Imdieke, University of Notre Dame | |
| 10:05 - 11:00 am | Proposal 8: Audit Partner Internal Labor Market Consequences for Negative PCAOB and Internal Inspection Results | |
| | Authors: Daniel Aobdia,* Penn State; Matthew Ege, Texas A&M University; Andrew Kitto, University of Massachusetts Amherst; Jennifer Puccia, Texas A&M University | |
| | Discussant: Joe Schroeder, Indiana University | |
| 11:00 - 11:15 am | Break | |
| 11:15 am - 12:10 pm | Proposal 9: How do Auditors Respond to Litigation Risk? Evidence from U.S. Supreme Court Rulings | |
| | Authors: Colleen Honigsberg, Stanford University; Andrew Kitto,* University of Massachusetts Amherst; Matthew Sherwood, University of Massachusetts Amherst; Wei Zhang, University of Massachusetts Amherst | |
| | Discussant: Thomas Bourveau, University of Oxford | |
| 12:10 - 1:30 pm | Lunch | |