UNIVERSITY OF PORTSMOUTH

Economic Crime: From Conception to Response

3rd Winter Economic Crime Symposium 2022

Fraud, corruption, bribery, money laundering, price-fixing cartels and intellectual property crimes pursued typically for financial and professional gain, have devastating consequences for the prosperity of economic life. Too often an effective response to economic crime is limited by institutional, disciplinary, and cultural barriers. Combining different disciplinary perspectives, being it criminology, law, economics, accountancy, security, business management, computer science, and psychology, and involving various policing actors, such as states, companies, banks, NGOs, and media, should become the new reality of solving economic crime challenges.

The 3rd Winter Economic Crime Symposium brings together a diverse body of researchers, practitioners, students, and other community members to discuss how economic criminology can feed an effective response to economic crime. 'Economic criminology' at its simplest is the study of the financially motivated economic crimes and deviant acts perpetrated by individuals or organisations against individuals or organisations. It is orientated to generating knowledge with the aim of reducing the harms of these crimes and deviant acts, improving the response to them as well as wider questions concerning power relations and the application of relevant theory. It draws upon a wide base of interdisciplinary scholars.

Join scholars, practitioners, and other experts for a discussion and reflection on the most important problems associated with economic crime.

- *Online event organized by the Center for Counter Fraud Studies and the Economic Crime Research Group, for information contact the event scientific coordinator Dr Branislav Hock via branislav.hock@port.ac.uk*
- *See a press release on the 1st Winter Economic Crime Symposium 2020 and the 2nd Winter Economic Crime Symposium 2021*

Thursday, 3th February 2022, 10am – 4:00pm (online)

Agenda

Thursday, 3th February 2022 – Online

10.00-12.00 ***Fighting Economic Crime Effectively***

Keynote: 10.00-10.30

- Prof. Dr. Judith van Erp, Utrecht University

Panel Discussion: 10.30-12.00

- Prof. Dr. Nicholas Lord, University of Manchester
- Prof. Dr. Jeremy Wilson, Michigan State University
- Dr. Costantino Grasso, Manchester Metropolitan University

Moderator:

- Dr Branislav Hock, University of Portsmouth

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13.00-14.00 ***Economic Crime: From Conception to Response***

Book-launch discussion:

- Prof. Mark Button, University of Portsmouth
- Dr David Shepherd, University of Portsmouth
- Dr Branislav Hock, University of Portsmouth

Moderator: Dr Mohammed Ibrahim-Shire, University of Portsmouth

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14.30-16.00 ***Pursuing a Career in Economic Crime Policing***

This session is part of the Economic Crime Seminar Series

- Matt Wilson, RSM UK
- Paul Gilmour, UoP
- Paula Matusiak, UoP
- Sophie E Brown, BDO LLP
- Stavroula Verda, Plum Fintech

Keynote Speaker

Prof Dr Judith van Erp*, Professor of Regulatory Governance at Utrecht School of Governance*

She is affiliated to Utrecht University's strategic theme 'Institutions for Open Societies. She is also research director at her department. Judith is a member of the Royal Dutch Academy of Sciences since 2018 and a member of the Netherlands Board on Research Integrity. Her research is situated in the interdisciplinary field of Regulatory Governance, and addresses regulatory enforcement and corporate crime. She has published on various public and private modes of regulation and governance of corporate behavior and their intersection. With her work, she aims to contribute to better prevention of corporate crime, by investigating innovative forms of governance that address the dynamics and globalisation of markets.

Speakers

Sophie E Brown, *Assistant Manager, BDO LLP*

Sophie has over eight years experience in fraud risk management, fraud prevention, fraud training and investigations. Sophie has specialised all aspects of counter fraud within the public, charitable and private sectors. Sophie is an Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist, Certified Fraud Examiner and has a degree in Criminology which she studied at the University of Portsmouth.

Prof Dr Mark Button, *Director of the Centre for Counter Fraud Studies, UoP*

Mark has written extensively on counter fraud, cyber-fraud and private policing issues, publishing many articles, chapters and completing ten books, including his two latest: Private Policing and Cyber Frauds, Scams and their Victims both published by Routledge. Some of the most significant research projects include a Home Office funded study on victims of computer misuse, leading the research on behalf of the National Fraud Authority and ACPO on fraud victims. Mark has also worked on the last four Government's Annual Cyber Security Breaches Survey.

Dr. Costantino Grasso, *Reader in Business and Law, Manchester Metropolitan University*

Dr Costantino Grasso is Associate Professor (Reader) in Business and Law at Manchester Law School and Global Module Leader for Corporate Governance and Ethics at the University of London. His areas of expertise are economic crime, corporate governance, and corporate social responsibility. Costantino serves as an international expert in the area of corruption, good governance, and tax crimes for the Council of Europe and is included as an expert in the anti-corruption Knowledge Hub of Transparency International. He is also a member of the

Society for Business Ethics (USA) and the Editor in Chief of the Corporate Social Responsibility and Business Ethics Blog. He has published papers in the area of corporate crime and corruption, and he is the co-author of the volume "Fighting Fraud and Corruption at the World Bank."

Dr Branislav Hock*, Senior Lecturer in Economic Crime, UoP*

Branislav has been involved in a broad range of research, teaching, and consultancy activities, many have been related to money laundering, anti-corruption, tax evasion and compliance. He is an author of Extraterritoriality and International Bribery: A Collective Action Perspective, Routledge 2020 Dr Hock supervises doctoral and master projects in the areas of international corruption and money-laundering. Branislav is the founding member of the European Compliance Center. He worked for a law firm where he was advising on various compliance issues.

Dr Mohammed Ibrahim Shire

Dr Mohammed Ibrahim Shire's research agenda takes a broad interdisciplinary approach to terrorism and political violence in Africa and crosscuts aspects of criminology, political science, peace and conflict studies, and computer science. After completing his PhD at Loughborough University, Mohammed worked as a postdoctoral research fellow at Griffith University's Centre for Social and Cultural Research in Australia, where he conducted several ethnographic studies in collaboration with multiple industrial and governmental stakeholders. Mohammed joined the University of Portsmouth in November 2019. His works have been published in Terrorism and Political Violence, Studies in Conflict & Terrorism, Small Wars & Insurgencies, Journal of Eastern African Studies, and several other journals. Mohammed is also the founder of Somali Faces, an award-winning storytelling organisation that raises awareness for social justice in Somalia. For further information, see his website.

Prof Dr Nicholas Lord*, Professor of Criminology, University of Manchester*

Nicholas is a Professor of Criminology. He joined the University of Manchester in September 2013. Nicholas has primary research interests in white-collar and corporate crimes of a financial and economic nature, such as fraud, corruption and bribery, as well as the organisation of serious crimes for financial gain, such as 'organised crime' and food fraud. He teaches in the areas of white-collar and corporate crimes, financial and economic crimes, serious and organised crimes, and criminological research. His research monograph, Regulating Corporate Bribery in International Business (Ashgate), was the winner of the British Society of Criminology Book Prize 2015. Nicholas was also the winner of the US National White-Collar Crime Research Consortium Young Career Award 2014. In recent years, Nicholas has received prestigious funding to research a range of complex corporate and financial crimes.

Paula Matusiak

Paula graduated from the University of Portsmouth with a BSc in Criminology and Cybercrime. Since her second year she has been interested in economic crime and she wrote her dissertation on the topic of Know Your Customer processes. She continues her journey in this area as a student of MSc Economic Crime course in Portsmouth and at the same time working in her dream job as a Compliance Officer.

Dr David Shepherd, *Senior Lecturer in Economic Crime, UoP*

Following a career in product and process engineering, David moved into research, focusing on white-collar crime, fraud and corruption. Using quantitative and qualitative methods, David's research encompasses organisational characteristics and compliance, offender behaviour, security and justice.

Stavroula Verda, *Regulatory Compliance Analyst at Plum Fintech*

Cultivating a great interest in financial crime as a student, and following academic studies in Sociology and Criminology, Stavroula pursued an MSc in Counter Fraud & Counter Corruption and Intelligence at the University of Portsmouth. Upon graduating in 2020, what followed was a six-month traineeship at Europol, under the European Financial and Economic Crime Centre (EFECC), and now the role of Regulatory Compliance Analyst in one of UK's fastest growing fintech start-ups.

Prof Dr Jeremy Wilson*, Professor of the School of Criminal Justice at Michigan State University*

Dr. Wilson founded and directed the Center for Anti-Counterfeiting and Product Protection and the Program on Police Consolidation and Shared Services. Prior to joining MSU, Dr. Wilson was a Behavioral Scientist at the RAND Corporation, where he led the development of the Center on Quality Policing and the Police Recruitment and Retention Clearinghouse. He has held a wide variety of appointments and honorary titles at prestigious institutions around the world, and he has served as an instructor for numerous law enforcement and brand protection training programs. Dr. Wilson has recently received the O.W. Wilson Award from the Police Section of the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, and he has received leadership, research, service and supervisory awards by the American Society of Criminology, RAND, The Ohio State University, Indiana University, Michigan State University, Johnson & Johnson, Underwriters Laboratories, and the City of Lansing.

Matt Wilson, *Associate Director at RSM UK*

Matt leads a team of counter fraud staff providing preventative fraud measures, training and investigations to a range of NHS, education, charity and UN organisations. Prior to this Matt was a Detective working at county and regional levels, specialising in fraud as an Accredited Financial Investigator. He has over 17 years' experience in fraud prevention and investigation, and is currently an Accredited Counter Fraud Specialist, Certified Fraud Examiner and has a MSc in Counter Fraud and Counter Corruption from the University of Portsmouth.

The Centre for Counter Fraud Studies (CCFS)

CCFS is one of the specialist research centres within the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice. The centre was founded in 2009 to address the growing interest in counter fraud and related issues, and offers research and knowledge services which help understand and publicise the problems of fraud and economic crime. Centre staff have been involved in numerous projects, resulting in dozens of high-quality publications – and their findings have been integrated into the educational courses offered by the University. The Centre offers a programme of events centred on the Annual Conference held in June each year. Staff also regularly speak at events and contribute to the specialist courses and modules offered by the University.

Economic Crime Research Group and Seminar Series

The Economic Crime Research Group (ECRG) is a grassroot level group that provides a research and innovation home to those that identify themselves as "economic criminologists". The ECRG promotes internal and external collaboration to highlight existing and emerging research and innovation strengths and opportunities in economic crime.

About Economic Crime Seminar Series

A seminar series in economic crime invites those with expertise and interest in economic crime across faculties, departments, students and broader community to come together, share ideas, and engage in a collaborative work.

This interdisciplinary initiative is the joint effort of:

- School of Criminology and Criminal Justice
- Portsmouth Law School
- Portsmouth Business School – the Department of Accounting and Financial Management
- Centre for Innovative and Sustainable Finance

Risk & Compliance Platform Europe is covering this event on its website.

New Economic Crime Courses and Certificates

- Certificate in Preventing Bribery and Corruption
- Certificate in Intellectual Property Crime and Illicit Trade