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# Congratulations to the 2020 Academic Award Recipients

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One of the hallmarks of FFI is its ongoing commitment to advance the field both through publishing, practice, and research. In May, we were pleased to announce the [2020 Achievement Award Recipients](#). Today, we celebrate more outstanding contributions to the field by announcing the 2020 Academic Award recipients. These awards will be presented at the [FFI Conference](#) in October.

## Best Doctoral Dissertation Award

This award is given to encourage and recognize outstanding academic achievement in the field of family business study.

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### THE 2020 AWARD-WINNING DISSERTATION IS:

*Enriching the Early Phases of the Succession Process: An Explanation of the Role of Social Mechanisms in Business Families* by **Mira Bloemen-Bekx** for Hasselt University. Mira is currently the dean of the School of Facility Management at Hanze University of Applied Sciences.



**Mira Bloemen-Bekx**  
Hasselt University

## Best Unpublished Research Paper Award

The Best Unpublished Research Paper Award is awarded annually after a blind peer review of all submissions. Papers may be on any topic of relevance to the understanding and appreciation of family firms and/or family firm advisors.

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### THE 2020 AWARD-WINNING PAPER IS:

*Contextualizing Institutional Logics: The difference that the “social class” context makes in “family logic” scripts development and their enactment in Scottish family businesses* by **Zografia Bika** and **Simy Joy**. Zografia is associate professor at Norwich Business School, University of East Anglia. Simy is a faculty fellow in organizational behaviour and human resource management at Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode (IIMK).



**Zografia Bika**  
University of East Anglia



**Simy Joy**  
Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode

## Thanks to the 2020 Academic Award Committees

### BEST DOCTORAL DISSERTATION

**Dianne H.B. Welsh**, *chair*

University of North Carolina Greensboro

**Claudia Binz Astrachan**

Lucerne University of Applied Sciences and Arts

**Francesco Barbera**

The University of Adelaide

**Isabel Botero**

University of Louisville

**Erick Chang**

Arkansas State University

**Giovanna Campopiano**

Lancaster University

**Kajsa Haag**

Jönköping International Business School

**Peter Jaskiewicz**

University of Ottawa

**Denise Kenyon-Rouvinez**

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**Orlando Llanos Contreras**

Universidad Católica de la Santísima Concepción

**Michael Meeks**

Louisiana State University Shreveport

**Tommaso Minola**

Università degli studi di Bergamo

**Lucia Naldi**

Jönköping International Business School

**Julia Vincent Ponroy**

IPAG Business School

**Ignacio Requejo**

Universidad de Salamanca

### BEST UNPUBLISHED RESEARCH PAPER

**Nadine Kammerlander**, *chair*

WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management

**Marc van Essen**

University of South Carolina

**Kincy Madison**

Oklahoma State University

## CALL FOR CASES

FFI is pleased to continue its collaboration with the University of Vermont Grossman School of Business and the STEP Project for the 2021 Family Enterprise Case Competitions (FECC). We invite you to submit a case for consideration at the January 12-16, 2021 event.

**SUBMIT YOUR CASE BY JULY 1, 2020.**

[VIEW CALL FOR CASES](#)

### DATES TO REMEMBER

JUN  
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**FFI On Monday with John W. Ambrecht and Michael D. Whitty**

Family Business Governance Structures That Actually Fit Human Behavior to Enhance Successful Succession

[REGISTER FOR 10:00AM](#)

JUN  
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**FFI On Monday with Salvatore Tomaselli**

Family + Business: Finding the Balance with the FIBMC

[REGISTER FOR 10:00AM](#)

JUN  
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**FFI On Monday with Ian Macnaughton and Paul Lermite**

Behavioral Interpersonal Finance: Actions for Intergenerational Engagement

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[REGISTER FOR 5:00PM](#)

JUN  
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**FFI On Monday with James Olan Hutcheson**

Behavioral Economics and CEO Decision Making in Family Firms

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JUL  
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**Last day to submit a case for the Family Enterprise Case Competition**

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## PREVIOUS EDITION



Thank you yet again from *FFI on Friday* to all those presenting and participating in our *FFI on Monday* series. When we started this series in April, partially in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, we had no idea it would be so popular. As of today, more than 400 people have registered. The series concludes on June 29—so register soon for the final month.

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