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## Topics

- Economics
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Alex Edmans is Professor of Finance at London Business School. He is an expert in corporate governance, purposeful business, practical investment strategies, behavioural finance, and time management.

Alex has a unique combination of deep academic rigour and practical business experience. He is particularly noted for his ability to present complex concepts in non-technical language and in an engaging, dynamic manner. Alex Edmans has spoken at the World Economic Forum in Davos, testified in the UK Parliament, and given the TED talk *What to Trust in a Post-Truth World* and the TEDx talk *The Social Responsibility of Business*, with a combined 2 million views.

Edmans is a leading figure in the current reform of UK corporate governance. The UK government appointed him (jointly with PwC) to study the effect of share buybacks on investment and executive pay. He serves on the Steering Group of *The Purposeful Company*, which proposes policy reforms to encourage companies to pursue long-run purpose over short-run profit, and on Royal London Asset Management's Responsible Investment Advisory Committee. He is frequently interviewed on TV and in the media, and has written several articles for the *Financial Times*, *Wall Street Journal*, and *Harvard Business Review*. His book, *Grow the Pie: How Great Companies Deliver Both Purpose and Profit*, was named to the *Financial Times Business Books of the Year* for 2020.

Alex Edmans is also Mercers School Memorial Professor of Business at Gresham College, giving three public lecture series on "How Business Can Better Serve Society", "Business Skills for the 21st Century", and "The Psychology of Finance". Alex began his professional career at Morgan Stanley in investment banking (London) and fixed income sales and trading (New York). After a PhD in Finance from MIT Sloan as a Fulbright Scholar, he became a finance professor at Wharton, where he was granted tenure and won 14 teaching awards in six years. At LBS, he won Best Teacher awards for the MBA and MFA programmes and the Excellence in Teaching award for best professor across all programmes. He has featured on *Poets and Quants Best 40 Professors Under 40* and *Thinkers50 Radar*.