STUDENTS ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE COMPLETED
- FIXED INCOME AND DERIVATIVES
- ECONOMETRICS I

COMPETENCES AND SKILLS THAT WILL BE ACQUIRED AND LEARNING RESULTS.
This course is designed to train the participants in evaluating, hedging, and measuring financial risks. In recent years, the most widely used measure of risk is Value at Risk (VaR). The course introduces the VaR measure and discusses its strengths and weaknesses. VaR is calculated for market risk and also for credit risk.

DESCRIPTION OF CONTENTS: PROGRAMME
1. Introduction to Risk management  
2. Hedging Risks  
3. The Greeks and Portfolio Insurance  
4. The management of Interest Rate Risk  
5. Value at Risk (VaR).  
6. Historical and Montecarlo Simulation of VaR  
7. Back-Testing  
8. VaR Limitations

LEARNING ACTIVITIES AND METHODOLOGY
- Class  
- Group homeworks

ASSESSMENT SYSTEM
The goal of the final exam (50% of the final qualification) is to verify the degree in which the competences of knowledge have been acquired by the student. A MINIMUM GRADE OF 4.00 in this exam is needed to compute the weighted average. The 50% of the final qualification that remains will correspond to a test exam (20%) and a presentation of an empirical case (in groups of 3 students).

% end-of-term-examination: 50  
% of continuous assessment (assigments, laboratory, practicals...): 50

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