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According to the European financial crises database from July 31, 2017, there are 18 European countries that still have not got their systems back to normal. Despite crisis management being implemented in very few countries, formally the financial crises are still in existence.

A common accelerator of economic crises is excessive credit growth. This cause is not totally new, and it has been repeated with continuity over the last century. Under certain economic conditions, financial intermediaries start to lose ground together with their lending standards, resulting in them expanding their lending, which leads to one of two major economic outcomes: growth or meltdown. How does a bank decide whether to follow the herd or not? What are the institutional arrangements that might potentially improve the banks' choice in line with the socially desirable arrangements expected by regulators and supervisors?

This thesis examines excessive funding supply as a potential source of market imperfection, fueled by digitization and financial innovations in the banking industry, leading to excessive lending on residential property. The central research question of this thesis can be formulated as follows: \ What are the implications of the banking regulatory amendments (i.e., Basel III) for the funding strategies of financial intermediaries in Europe The delay of regulators in designing a system for proper supervision and framing of that activity has led to imbalances in markets and regulatory arbitrage. Changes in the locations of banks' headquarters show that there is insufficient communication between the regulatory authority and the industry, which is potentially caused by the underlying conflict between different visions of the future of banking.

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