

Meir Statman: Biography

Meir Statman is the Glenn Klimek Professor of Finance at Santa Clara University. His research focuses on behavioral finance. He attempts to understand how investors and managers make financial decisions and how these decisions are reflected in financial markets. His most recent book is “Behavioral Finance: The Second Generation,” published by the CFA Institute Research Foundation.

The questions he addresses in his research include: What are investors’ wants and how can we help investors balance them? What are investors’ cognitive and emotional shortcuts and how can we help them overcome cognitive and emotional errors? How are wants, shortcuts and errors reflected in choices of saving, spending, and portfolio construction? How are they reflected in asset pricing and market efficiency?

Meir’s research has been published in the *Journal of Finance*, the *Journal of Financial Economics*, the *Review of Financial Studies*, the *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, the *Financial Analysts Journal*, the *Journal of Portfolio Management*, and many other journals. The research has been supported by the National Science Foundation, the CFA Institute Research Foundation, and the Investment Management Consultants Association (IMCA).

Meir is a member of the Advisory Board of the *Journal of Portfolio Management*, the *Journal of Wealth Management*, the *Journal of Retirement*, the *Journal of Investment Consulting*, and the *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Finance*, an Associate Editor of the *Journal of Behavioral Finance*, and the *Journal of Investment Management* and a recipient of a Batterymarch Fellowship, a William F. Sharpe Best Paper Award, two Bernstein Fabozzi/Jacobs Levy awards, a Davis Ethics Award, a Moskowitz Prize for best paper on socially responsible investing, a Matthew R. McArthur Industry Pioneer Award, three Baker IMCA Journal Awards, and three Graham and Dodd Awards. Meir was named as one of the 25 most influential people by *Investment Advisor*. He consults with many investment companies and presents his work to academics and professionals in many forums in the U.S. and abroad.

Meir received his Ph.D. from Columbia University and his B.A. and M.B.A. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

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EDUCATION

Graduate School of Business, Columbia University, Ph.D., 1979
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, M.B.A., 1970
Hebrew University of Jerusalem, B.A., 1969

ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

1998-Present Glenn Klimek Professor, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
2009-2013 Visiting Professor, Tilburg University, the Netherlands
1996-2007 Chairman, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
1990-1998 Professor, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
1988-1992 Chairman, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
1985-1990 Associate Professor, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
1979-1985 Assistant Professor, Department of Finance, Santa Clara University
1978-1979 Assistant Professor, Rutgers College, New Brunswick, New Jersey
1975-1978 Instructor, College of Staten Island, C.U.N.Y., New York City

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Associate Editor, *Journal of Behavioral Finance*
Associate Editor, *Journal of Investment Management*
Associate Editor, *Journal of Financial Management, Markets and Institutions*
Member of the Advisory Board, *Journal of Portfolio Management*
Member of the Advisory Board, *Journal of Investment Consulting*
Member of the Advisory Board, *Journal of Wealth Management*
Member of the Advisory Board, *Journal of Retirement*
Member of the Editorial Board, *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Finance*
Member of the Editorial Board, *Financial Services Review*

Member of the Editorial Board, *Financial Analysts Journal* (2001-2010)
Associate Editor, *Financial Management* (1987 - 1993)
Ad hoc reviewer for the *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Finance*, *Review of Financial Studies*, *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, *Financial Management*, *Journal of Financial Research*, *Financial Analysts Journal*, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, *Journal of Marketing*, *Management Science*, *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, *Journal of Economics and Business*, *Journal of Financial Intermediation*, *Financial Review*, and *Managerial and Decision Economics*
Visiting Professor of Finance, Cranfield School of Management, Cranfield University, England, 2000-05
Chief Investment Officer, RWB Advisory Services (1997-2000)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Bernstein Fabozzi/Jacobs Levy Best Paper Award, 2018
Matthew R. McArthur Industry Pioneer Award, 2015
Named as one of the 25 most influential people by Investment Advisor, 2011
Graham and Dodd Awards, 1993, 1999, 2009
Faculty Senate Professor Award, Santa Clara University, 2009
Edward Baker IMCA Journal Award, 2005, 2009, and 2013
Santa Clara University Award for Sustained Excellence in Scholarship 2008
Moskowitz Prize for best paper on Socially Responsible Investing, 2008
Richard J. Davis Ethics Award, 2005
Bernstein Fabozzi/Jacobs Levy Outstanding Article Award, 2001
William F. Sharpe Best Paper Award, 2000.
Santa Clara University Extraordinary Achievement Award, 1996/97, 1998/99, 1999/2000, 2001/02, 2002/03, 2003/04, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2007/08, 2008/09
Santa Clara University Award for Outstanding Achievement in Teaching, Scholarship and Service, 1992.
The Dean's Recognition Award for Research, Santa Clara University, 1988
Batterymarch Fellowship, 1985
The President's Special Recognition Award, Santa Clara University, 1985
PMA Doctoral Dissertation Research Grant, 1976
Beta Gamma Sigma, Columbia University, 1974
Doctoral Study Award, Columbia University, 1973-1976
Dean's Honor List, Columbia University, 1973-1974
Study Prizes, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, 1966-1970

BOOKS

Behavioral Finance: The Second Generation, CFA Institute Research Foundation, 2019

Finance for Normal People, Oxford University Press, 2017
What Investors Really Want, McGraw-Hill, 2011

ARTICLES

“ESG as waving banners and as pulling plows,” *Journal of Portfolio Management* (Lead article), 2020

“Financial advisers as well-being advisers,” *Journal of Financial Planning*, 2019

“A second-generation behavioral finance,” was in *Behavioral finance: the coming of age*, edited by Itzhak Venezia and published by the World Scientific Press 2019

“What is the right balance between saving and spending in retirement,” in *Wealth of Wisdom*, edited by Tom McCullough and Keith Whitaker, was published by John Wiley & Sons 2019

“Dollar-cost averaging is not rational, but it is normal and can be wise,” *Journal of Financial Planning* 2018

“A unified behavioral finance,” *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2018

“Behavioral finance lessons for asset managers,” *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2018

“Behavioral efficient markets,” *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2018

“Rebalancing According to Behavioral Portfolio Theory,” *Journal of Financial Planning*, 2018

“Financial advertising in the second generation of behavioral finance,” *Journal of Behavioral Finance*, 2017

“Standard and behavioral life cycle theories and public policy,” *Journal of Retirement*, 2017 (Lead article)

“Behavioral asset pricing,” *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2017

“Behavioral Finance: Finance for Normal People,” *Investments and Wealth Monitor*, 2017

“Behavioral portfolios: Portfolios for Normal People,” *Investments and Wealth Monitor*, 2017

“Are you clients not spending enough in retirement,” *Journal of Financial Planning*, 2017

“Meet Today’s Challenges by Becoming a Well-Being Adviser,” *Journal of Financial Planning*, 2017

“Why Do Countries Matter so Much in Corporate Social Performance?” (with Y. Cai and C. Pan) *Journal of Corporate Finance*, 2017

“Culture in Preferences for Income Equality and Safety Nets,” *Journal of Behavioral Finance*, 2016

“Classifying and Measuring the Performance of Socially Responsible Mutual Funds,” (with D Glushkov) *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2016

“How Investors Became Consumers,” *Journal of Macromarketing* (With E. McQuarrie) 2015

“Culture in Risk, Regret, Maximization, Social Trust and Life Satisfaction,” *Journal of Investment Consulting* 2015

Behavioral finance: Peter Bernstein and the Journal of Portfolio Management, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2014

Coming Up Short: Managing Underfunded Portfolios in a LDI-ES Framework (with S. das and S. Kim), *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2014

Retirement Income for the Wealthy, Middle, and Poor, *Journal of Retirement Income*, 2014

Behavioral Finance: Finance with Normal People, *Borsa Istanbul Review*, 2014 (Lead Article)

Diversification with Correlations and Return Gaps, (with J Scheid) *Investments and Wealth Monitor* 2013

Finance professionals in the financial crisis: Fairness, values, and culture, *Journal of Investment management*

Is Markowitz Wrong?: investment lessons from the financial crisis, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2013

Mandatory retirement Savings, *Financial Analysts Journal* 2013

End the charade: Replacing the efficient frontier with the efficient range (with J. Clark), *Journal of Financial Planning*, 2013

Options and structured products in behavioral portfolios, (with S. Das), *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 2012

Behavioral finance in the crisis: Minsky, Keynes, and market efficiency, (with H. Shefrin), in Andrew Lo, Alan Blinder and Robert Solow (editors), *Rethinking Finance: New Perspectives on the Crisis*, *Russell Sage Foundation*, 2012

Investor personalities in investor questionnaires, (with C. Pan), *Journal of Investment Consulting*, 2013

Questionnaires of risk tolerance, regret, overconfidence, and other investor propensities, (with C. Pan), *Journal of Investment Consulting*, 2012

Do corporations invest enough in environmental responsibility? (with Y. Kim), *Journal of Business Ethics*, 2011

Efficient markets in crisis, *Journal of Investment Management*, 2011

Portfolios for Investors Who Want to Reach Their Goals While Staying on the Mean–Variance Efficient Frontier (with S. Das, H. Markowitz, and J. Scheid), *Journal of Wealth management*, 2011

Is it fair? Judging the fairness of insider trading, *Journal of Investment Consulting*, 2011

Investor sentiment, stock characteristics, and returns, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, 2011

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Portfolio Optimization with Mental Accounts (with S. Das, H. Markowitz, and J. Scheid) *Journal of Financial and Quantitative Analysis*, April 2010

Stocks of Admired Companies and Spurned Ones (with D. Anginer), *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Spring 2010

Striking Regulatory Irons while Hot (with H. Shefrin) *Journal of Investment Management*, 2009

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Managing the risk of new product development (with S. McIntyre), *Business Horizons*, Vol. 25, May-June 1982.

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Production theory, uncertain prices and investment portfolios, (with L. Haber), *Managerial and Decision Economics*, Vol. 3, No. 1, 1982.

The effect of patent expiration on the market position of drugs, *Managerial and Decision Economics*, Vol. 2, No. 2, 1981; also in R. B. Helms, editor, *Drugs and Health, Economic Issues and Policy Objectives*, Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1981.

Betas compared: Merrill Lynch vs. Value Line, *Journal of Portfolio Management*, Vol. 7, Winter 1981.

A note on beta and the probability of default, (with I. Brick), *Journal of Financial Research*, Vol. 4, Fall 1981.

Trademarks, patents and innovation in the ethical drug industry (with T. Tyebjee), *Journal of Marketing*, Vol. 45, Summer 1981.

Optimal use of futures markets when input and output prices are uncertain, (with C. Schmidt), *Economics Letters*, Vol. 6, 1980.

BOOKS

Ethics, fairness, efficiency and financial markets (with H. Shefrin), *Research Foundation of the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts*, 1992.

Competition in the Pharmaceutical Industry: The Declining Profitability of Drug Innovation, Washington, D.C.: American Enterprise Institute, 1983.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Fairness in finance in *Explore: a quarterly examination of Catholic identity and Ignatian character in Jesuit higher education*, Winter 2000. Reprinted in the *The Monitor*, Investment Management and Consultants Association, Vol. 18, No. 4 (July/August): 42-44, 2003.

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The rubble of '87, *San Jose Mercury News*, October 19, 1997.

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Tactical asset allocation (with R. Clarke), in Japan Securities Analysts Association, editor, *Asset Allocation*, 1992 (in Japanese).

Is tactical asset allocation useful? (with R. Clarke and M. Fitzgerald), *Investing*, Fall 1989.

Cognitive biases, *Intermarket*, July, 1989.

How not to make money in the stock market (with H. Shefrin), *Psychology Today* Vol. 20, No. 2, February 1986. Reprinted in the *San Jose Mercury News*, April 27, 1986, and *Santa Clara Magazine*, Fall 1986.

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