

Project report: Each group writes an approximately 5-page summary of the project. The aim of the presentation should be to teach the other course participant about the area. The summaries will be an important part of the course literature, and the final version should incorporate important comments from the discussion, if any. They should contain *a) some of the main facts, problems and results on the subject, b) a carefully selected, short, list of references, c) a reading guide for those who want to learn more about the subject, and d) the groups personal conclusions about what could be done to make such risks smaller in the future.* **The summary should be made available to the course participants at least 4 days before the presentation, by uploading it in the readingproject channel of Slack. You should also mail a copy of first page of the summary to hrootzen@chalmers.se which contains a description of whom has done what parts of the work, and which is signed by all of you. The summary (pdf) should also be sent to hrootzen.chalmers@analys.urkund.se**

Oral presentation: Each group gives a 20 min oral presentation of their reading project, which will be followed by a 10-20 min discussion, all on Zoom.

Discussion: Each group acts as discussants for one other project. However, everyone is encouraged to participate in all the discussions. The main part of the discussion should concern substantive issues. Only brief comments, which are of general interest, about the form of the presentation or the written report should be made. Further such comments are also useful, but should be given in private.

Individual Fortunetelling: You should hand in guesses about the values on January 1, 2021 of, say, 5 economic indicators, such as unemployment or stock price indices, in Sweden or in other parts of the world. Each value should be accompanied by an interval which you believe will contain the correct value “with 90% probability”. Not graded, but is required!

Prize! At the end of the course each group ranks the quality of the other groups reading projects. The group which comes out on top (probably) wins movie tickets.

Attendance at the reading project presentations is required.

Here some ideas for reading projects – but the best projects often are the ones where you find your own project:

Basel III and IV

Solvency 2

Money laundering

The 2009 great recession

Gamestop

The travel industry during Covid 19

The tourist industry during Covid 19

Bitcoin

The dot.com bubble

High frequency trading

Should banks be allowed to go into bankruptcy

Jerome Kerviel

The Weavering bankruptcy

Markowitz portfolio theory

Jordan Belfort

Bernie Madoff

Worldcom

Theranos