



The Research Centre of the School of Economics and Business, in cooperation with the Bank of Slovenia, cordially invites you to a free research seminar on Wednesday, 24 April 2024, at 13:00 CEST in room P-119 at the School of Economics and Business, University of Ljubljana

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will present the article Networks and Information in Credit Markets

A large theoretical literature emphasizes financial networks, but empirical studies remain scarce. We exploit the overlapping bank portfolio structure of US syndicated loans to construct a financial network and characterize its evolution over time. Using techniques from spatial econometrics, we find large spillovers in lending conditions from peers' decisions during normal times: a standard deviation increase in peer lending rates can increase a bank's lending rate by 17 basis points. However, these spillovers vanish in a large recession. We rationalize these findings through the lens of a model of syndicate lending, where banks' reliance on private signals rises during recessions.

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We look forward to seeing you.

