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Tomáš Virdzek is a researcher of Research and Innovation Centre at Faculty of Economics, Matej Bel University in Banska Bystrica, Slovakia. His main scientific interest is in three fields - Pension economics and finance, Financial markets and regulation, Trading and investment strategies. He is a team member of several domestic projects. He was also a member of two working groups at the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family (2013-2015).

## Qualification and Education

- 2012 – Ph.D. in Public Economics and Services, Faculty of Economics, Matej Bel University
- 2008 – Ing. (equivalent to MBA) in Public Economics and Services, Faculty of Economics, Matej Bel University

## Employment | Service

- 2015 – present Researcher at Research and Innovation Centre, Matej Bel University
- 2014 – 2015 Researcher at Institute of Economic Sciences, Matej Bel University
- 2012 – 2014 Assistant at Department of Public Economics and Regional Development, Matej Bel University

## Research Interests

- Pension economics and finance
- Financial markets and regulation
- Trading and investment strategies

## Recent Publications

- VIRDZEK, T. – KUBAŠKA, P. – ÚRADNÍČEK, V. 2018. Ideal equity curve as a tool of portfolio risk management in the time of financial globalization. In Globalization and its socio-economic consequences 2018 conference proceedings. Rajecké Teplice : The Faculty of Operation and Economics of Transport and Communications, University of Žilina, 2018. ISBN 978-80-8154-249-7, p. 1919-1927.
- VIRDZEK, T. – KUBAŠKA, P. – CISOVÁ, P. 2018. Portfolio performance: An active approach to weighting assets in the portfolio versus naive diversification. In Amse 2018 conference proceedings. Kutná hora : University of Economics Prague, 2018. ISBN 978-80-245-2277-7, p. 333-347.
- ŠEBO, J. - VIRDZEK, T. - ŠEBOVÁ, Ľ. 2015. Saving strategies revalued: is bond pension fund really a safe pension vehicle? In Proceedings of the 20th international conference "Theoretical and practical aspects of public finance 2015". Prague: University of Economics Prague, 2015. ISBN 978-80-245-2094-0, p. 244-249.
- ŠEBO, J. - ŠEBOVÁ, Ľ. - VIRDZEK, T. 2014. Challenges in Slovak PAYG and DC schemes. In Social security systems against the challenges of demographics and market. Poznań: Publishing House of Poznan University of Technology, 2014. ISBN 978-83-7775-344-6, p. 71-86.
- ŠEBO, J. - VIRDZEK, T. 2013. Political risk and pension funds performance - the case of Slovakia. In Old-Age Crisis and Pension Reform. Where do we stand? Poznań: Publishing House of Poznan University of Technology, 2013. ISBN 978-83-7775-254-8, p. 107-122.
- ŠEBO, J. - VIRDZEK, T. 2013. Dismantling the myths about the pension funds performance from the savers perspective. In Pension Reforms - Comparison and Evaluation. Poznań: Publishing House of Poznan University of Technology, 2013. ISBN 978-83-7775-280-7, p. 109-123.

## Research Funding (Selected Projects)

- APVV (ID code: APVV-15-0437) - Interdisciplinary approach to electronic monitoring of accused and convicted persons in the Slovak environment (researcher), Duration: 2016-2020
- Project of the Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs and Family (ID code: 1002/2012-I/42, 833/2012) – Virtual Pension Funds Management Company (researcher, main pension funds portfolio manager), Duration: 2012-2017
- APVV (ID code: APVV-0465-12) - Dynamic regulation of old-age pension savings pillar in Slovakia (researcher), Duration: 2014-2017
- VEGA (ID code: VEGA 1/0669/14) - Private pension schemes - reforms, goals and risks (researcher), Duration: 2014-2016
- KEGA (ID code: 007UMB-4/2014) - Profile specialization "Pension economics and finance" (teacher, researcher), Duration: 2014-2016