Course: Robo-Advising and FinTech Innovations in Wealth Management

Course Description

Explore the fast-growing field of FinTech, focusing on the transformation of wealth management by robo-advisors, or "InvestTech." This course covers the impact of digital technologies on financial services, with emphasis on practical applications and relevant data science tools, fostering creative, entrepreneurial thinking in InvestTech.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, students will:

- Understand how digital technologies are reshaping wealth management and bancassurance.
- Apply financial theories to design digital investment solutions.
- Gain foundational knowledge in data science for FinTech applications.

Syllabus

- Introduction to FinTech and Robo-Advisors: Economic principles, technological foundations, policy, competition, and collaboration with incumbents.
- Core Robo-Advisory Features:
 - EU Regulatory Framework
 - Techniques in Robo-Advisory:
 - Customer engagement
 - Automated portfolio construction
 - Digital advisory (customer profiling, suitability, product matching)
 - Data analytics and introductory FinTech data science
- Investor Journey: Key stages and considerations

Instructor

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