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Ageing and Sustainable Finance

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Long-term trends like demographic change and climate change pose major challenges for the sustainability and stability of financial markets. For households, firms and financial institutions these entail far-reaching consequences with regard to financial decision-making, old-age provision, financing conditions, reporting burdens, interest rates, business models of financial institutions, the role of (state) pension funds, monetary policy and the regulation of financial markets. This two-day conference shall provide a stimulating environment for in-depth debates on (the interplay between) the effects of demographic change and climate change on financial markets and their various players, on the policy implications of recent research, and on new research questions arising from policy responses. We invite empirical and theoretical submissions (full papers only) with a microeconomic focus. Topics may include, but are not limited to:

- » Household financial behaviour such as saving and dis-saving, investment, and insurance behaviour
- » “Green preferences”, sustainable financial literacy and financial decisions
- » Risk-management and investment strategies of pension funds and insurance companies
- » Bank business models, bank funding and lending
- » Financial market barriers to a sustainable economy
- » Effects on monetary policy and its pass-through to the real economy

We are delighted to announce that **Taha Choukhmane** (MIT Sloan, NBER, IFS) and **Hans Degryse** (KU Leuven, CEPR, ECB) will be the keynote speakers of this event.

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PAPER SUBMISSION

Please send your paper to FMconference@zew.de. The deadline for submissions is **15 January 2026**. Authors will be notified about the acceptance of their paper by the end of February 2026.

FUNDING

Participation is free of charge. All participants are expected to cover their own accommodation and travel costs.

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