

Developments in Pension Design and Investment Modelling 2026

Andros, September 6-9, 2026

Third edition

Andros, Greece

PROGRAM

Sunday, 6 Sept

19:30 - Welcome party (with food) at the hotel's beach bar

Monday, 7 Sept

08:30 - 08:50 Registration

08:50 - 09:00 Opening – Michalis Anthropolos, Pierre Devolder & Steven Vanduffel

Session 1 Chair – Pierre Devolder

09:00 - 09:30 Jean Hindriks (Université Catholique de Louvain)
Pension Design for Unequal Longevity and Arduous Jobs: A Proposal with Application to Belgium

09:30 - 10:00 Anne Lavigne (Université d'Orléans)
Why is it so Difficult to Reform the French Pension System, and could Points-Based Schemes Offer a Possible Solution?

10:00 - 10:30 Peter Hieber (Université de Lausanne)
Notional Defined Contribution Systems with a Surplus Redistribution

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

Session 2 Chair – Runhuan Feng

11:00 - 11:30 Chris Bakas (State Street)
The Evolution of the UK DC Journey: Lessons for Other Countries

11:30 - 12:00 Merce Claramunt (Universitat de Barcelona)
Early Retirement under Survival Uncertainty: A Multi-State Framework

12:00 - 12:30 Roberta Melis (University of Sassari)
Optimal Replacement Rate in a Mixed PAYG-Fully Funded DC Pension Scheme

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
14:00 - 19:00 Free time
19:00 - ... Conference dinner at Batsi

Tuesday, 8 Sept

Session 3 Chair – Frank Riedel

09:00 - 09:30 Wing Fung Chong (The University of Hong Kong)
Robust Forward Investment and Consumption under Drift and Volatility Uncertainties: A Randomization Approach

09:30 - 10:00 Runhuan Feng (Tsinghua University)
Rethinking the Aaron condition: How Population Ageing Re-opens the PAYG vs. Capitalization System Debate

10:00 - 10:30 Jochen Russ (Ulm University)
The Future of Human Life Expectancy – Do we Know how Little we Know and what Does it Mean for Mortality Modelling?

10:30 - 11:00 Coffee break

Session 4 Chair – Michalis Anthropelos

11:00 - 11:30 George Lagarias (Forvis Mazars)
Throw Markowitz off the train: Portfolio Management for Pension Funds in the Age of Debt.

11:30 - 12:00 Bernard Carole (Carole Bernard (Grenoble Ecole de Management & Vrije Universiteit Brussel)
Does Randomization Improve Financial Payoffs?

12:00 - 12:30 Frank Riedel (Universität Bielefeld)
Knightian Uncertainty under Identifiability: Uncertainty Sharing, Insurance, and Portfolio Choice

12:30 - 14:00 Lunch
14:00 - 19:30 Free time
19:30 - Dinner at the hotel

Wednesday, 9 Sept

Session 5 Chair – Steven Vanduffel

09:00 - 09:30 Michalis Anthropelos (University of Piraeus)
On Spatial and Temporary Optimal Risk-Sharing

09:30 - 10:00 Thaleia Zariphopoulou (University of Texas at Austin and University of Oxford)
Pension Fund Management under Forward Performance Criteria: A New Approach and Open Problems

