

# SUSTAINABLE PENSIONS THROUGH SUSTAINABLE INVESTMENTS ?

**TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2020**

**15:00-18:40** (Brussels time)

**UCLouvain Room Montesquieu 2**, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve (Belgium)

& **ONLINE** on MICROSOFT TEAMS

The workshop «Sustainable, Pensions, through, Sustainable, Investments?» is organised by the legal team involved in the interdisciplinary research project: "SAS Pensions".

It aims to participate in the debate concerning the identification of a pension's architecture, namely its ability to meet the goals of financial sustainability, social adequacy and safe governance.

Mega trends such as 'Ageing', globalisation, and demographic and climate change are transforming our economies and societies.

For this reason, the workshop's Scientific Committee has launched a Call for Contribution, inviting researchers to discuss the concept of sustainability in Pension policies.

To address these topics, the presentations will be organized as followed.

From a financial perspective a sustainable pension architecture calls for sustainable investment considerations. Whereas sustainability in the pension systems requires a sustainable social protection scheme organised in a more inclusive and flexible way in order to support employment relationships in the labour market.

In the first section, speakers will discuss the financial responsibilities and retirement risks shared between the state and beneficiaries, and/or non-State actors (employers/employees) in a scenario where a growing importance has been placed on "non-state furnished" pension products such as individual savings and complementary pension plans.

In the second section, speakers will debate the challenges which arise in social protection systems that focus on the provision of pension security. Technological progress, together with more flexible working needs, is compromising the typical social protection scheme based on the premise of a stable, full-time and linear career.



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## International [Web]Workshop

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**14:45-15:00** Welcome

**15:00-15:05** **WORKSHOP'S INTRODUCTION** | Alexia Autenne, UCLouvain (Belgium)

### FIRST SECTION | FINANCIAL RESPONSABILITIES AND RETIREMENT RISKS IN PENSIONS

**15:05-15:20** Pensions Reform and Intergenerational risk-sharing after the Covid-19.

Michel Martone Sapienza University of Rome (Italy)

**15:20-15:35** Environmentally friendly and socially responsible investment in occupational pension funds in the USA and EU.  
Lauren Daniels Antwerp Bar (Belgium) - David Pratt Albany Law School (NY, USA) - Yves Stevens KULeuven (Belgium)

**15:35-15:50** Governance of pensions for sustainability and democracy.

Ewan McGaughey School of Law King's College (United Kingdom)

**15:50-16:05** ESG and fiduciary duties in the management of pension assets.

Ljudmila Strakodonskaya Université Paris II (France)

**16:05-16:20** The Italian complementary pension system: between the European framework, sustainability needs and the principle of intergenerational solidarity. Comparative profiles and role of the ILO in the transnational social security privatization process.

Alessandro Beletti University of Verona (Italy)

**16:20-16:35** What drives the sustainable investment strategies of pension funds? A comparison of Finnish and Swedish public buffer funds.

Niko Väinänen Finnish Centre for Pensions (Finland)

**16:35-16:50** **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS** | Please note that online participants can propose their questions through the «Microsoft Teams'chat»; a moderator will introduce questions to the speakers.

**16:50-17:00** Break

### SECOND SECTION | INCOMING CHALLENGES FOR SOCIAL PROTECTIONS SYSTEM

**17:00-17:15** Matching Defined Contributions in Pension Reforms. A policy experience in Colombia.

Mauricio Olivera Director of Econometria (Colombia)

**17:15-17:30** Pro or Anti-reform? Analysis of Freedom of Choice in Pension Schemes.

Nelly Rotich University of Pretoria (South Africa)

**17:30-17:45** Deficiencies in the supplementary old age pension market from the perspective of regulatory policy – the case of CEE countries.

Joanna Rutecka-Góra Warsaw School of Economics (Poland)

**17:45-18:00** Will the unified status between blue-collar and white-collar workers lead to more adequate and sustainable occupational pensions?

Sarah Knoop University of Antwerp (Belgium)

**18:00-18:25** **QUESTIONS & ANSWERS** | Please note that online participants can propose their questions through the «Microsoft Teams'chat»; a moderator will introduce questions to the speakers.

### CONCLUDING SPEECH

**18:25-18:40** The report of the High-level group (HLG) of experts on pensions: what solutions do we need in Europe?

Hans van Meerten University of Utrecht (The Netherlands)