

Call for papers – Fifth Conference on Household Finance and Consumption

14-15 December 2017, Paris

The European Central Bank organises a biennial conference on household finance and consumption, with the objective of fostering empirical and theoretical research on how household heterogeneity affects the accumulation of assets and debt, consumption/saving behaviour and the transmission of monetary policy. The focus of the Conference is on research that makes use of household level data, with a special interest in the data from the Household Finance and Consumption Survey (HFCS).

In 2017 the Conference will be organised jointly with the Banque de France and will take place in Paris on 14-15 December. We are actively seeking papers in the following areas, but related areas will also be considered:

- household consumption, saving, and portfolio choice;
- housing, mortgage markets, and financial markets;
- household finance, credit constraints, and monetary policy;
- household indebtedness and financial distress;
- household finances and the financial and economic crisis;
- behavioural approaches to household asset accumulation, debt, and consumption;
- financing retirement and demographic developments.

The following speakers have confirmed their participation: Luigi Guiso, Monika Piazzesi, Thomas Piketty, Luigi Pistaferri, Martin Schneider and Gianluca Violante. For information on past conferences on household finance and consumption, on access to the HFCS data, and on the survey in general, see http://www.ecb.europa.eu/pub/economic-research/research-networks/html/researcher_hfcn.en.html.

Submission of abstracts/papers:

Authors are welcome to submit extended abstracts or, preferably, full drafts of papers by **31 July 2017** to HFCS@ecb.europa.eu. Authors of accepted papers will be notified by 15 October 2017.

Organising committee:

Michael Haliassos (CFS and Goethe University), Tullio Jappelli (University of Naples Federico II), Sébastien Pérez-Duarte (ECB), Frédérique Savignac (Banque de France), Jiri Slacalek (ECB), Oreste Tristani (ECB).

Expenses:

The organisers will cover reasonable travel expenses for those presenting papers and discussants (though participants from National Central Banks and other EU institutions are expected to cover their own expenses).