

Program

2nd Amsterdam Sustainable Finance Conference

May 8, 2026

Location: Koninklijke Industriële Groote Club, Dam 27, 1012 JS Amsterdam

- 9.15 – 9.40** Walk in with Coffee
- 9.40 – 9.55** Welcome on behalf of RCSII, ASR, and UvA.
- 9.55 – 10.30** Laura Starks (University of Texas at Austin) "Sustainable Finance between Politics and Markets: The Role of Institutional Investors"
- 10.30 – 11.00** Coffee Break
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11.00 – 11.50 Breakout Session 1

Session A Investor Impact and Morals (Main Room)

11.00 – 11.25 Florian Heeb (Goethe University Frankfurt / Leibniz Institute for Financial Research SAFE)

"Beliefs about the climate impact of green investing"

11.25 – 11.50 Zwetelina Iliewa (University of Bonn)

"Corporate Actions as Moral Issues"

Session B Climate Risk and Asset Pricing (Breakout Room)

11.00 – 11.25 Ramon de Punder (UvA / RCSII)

"Flood Tail Risk and Probability Weighting in House Prices: Evidence from the Netherlands"

11.25 – 11.50 Rick van der Ploeg (UvA / University of Oxford)

"Climate Risks and Policy Transition Risks: Financial Market and Policy Responses"

- 11.50 – 12.00** Transition to Breakout Session 2
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Session C Impact Investments, Climate Risk, and Real Estate (Main Room)

12.00 – 12.25 Christophe Spaenjers (University of Colorado Boulder)

"Who Should Manage Impact Investments? Evidence from Affordable Housing"

12.25 – 12.50 Davide Castellani (UvA / RCSII)

"The Long-Run Effects of Tropical Cyclones on the U.S. Housing Market"

Session D AI for Large-Scale Data Analysis (Breakout Room)

12.00 – 12.25 Ana Lučić (UvA)

"Aurora: A foundation model of the Earth system"

12.25 – 12.50 Ujjwal Sharma (UvA / RCSII)

"Beyond Annotation: Building Interactive Systems for Large-Scale Multimodal Analysis of Corporate Social Media"

- 12.50 – 13.50** Lunch
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Investor Democracy

13.50 – 14.25 Oliver Hart (Harvard) "How To Implement Shareholder Democracy"

14.25 – 15.00 Bram van der Kroft (MIT) "Investor Democracy"

15.00 – 15.30 Coffee Break

15.30 – 16.30 **Panel Discussion on Investor Democracy**

*Oliver Hart (Harvard), Laura Starks (University of Texas at Austin),
Monique Donders (BlackRock) and Raphie Hayat (ASR)*

Moderator: Paul Smeets (UvA)

16.30 – 16.40 Closing Remarks

16.40 – 17.20 Drinks