

The economics of old age risks

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Acronym			
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Abstract	This project focuses on the economic effects of risks faced by older individuals and their interactions. The project investigates four different types of risk and their impact on the economic behavior of individuals and households, including the implications for the design of welfare systems in aging societies: Health risk, Longevity risk, Labor market risk, Financial risk. The network proposes an integrated and interdisciplinary approach to these topics. First, all the aforementioned risks interact in the decisions of elderly individuals. Second, in each risk dimension, it is key to study the consequences of wrong decisions, due to either lack of cognitive abilities and financial sophistication, or to biased financial advice. The project proposes advances at both theoretical and empirical level. Although the different lines of research will make use of several microeconomic data sets, the most heavily exploited data source will be the Survey of Health Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE). The panel structure of SHARE allows the estimation of dynamic decision models controllingfor unobserved heterogeneity, while the multi-country nature of the data permits to relate individual behavior to the institutional characteristics of each country.		
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