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RESEARCH AND NETWORKING

As I have mentioned previously in columns in *The European Actuary*, the AAE is very keen to promote actuarial thought leadership. Recent publications listed in the **Papers** page of the AAE's website include discussion papers on **Navigating Europe's AI Act: Insights for Actuaries and the Insurance Sector** and on **Actuaries and Operational Risk Management**. Articles based on these papers are included in the previous and current editions of *The European Actuary*. The AAE has also recently published a **Study on Potential Updates on Local Accounting Towards IFRS17 in Europe** as well as some AI-themed podcasts (see **AAE Media**) for those who prefer visual rather than written material. Perhaps the publication area where the AAE has been most active recently is in responding to consultations from e.g. EIOPA and the EU Commission. These can be found on the **AAE responses to stakeholder consultations** page of the AAE's website. Again, please can I say a big thank you to all contributors to and authors of these materials, particularly to the AAE staff, Stephanos Hadjistyllis, Siegbert Baldauf, Monique Schuilenburg and Annette Aragonés, who coordinate their preparation and publication.

If you enjoy an interactive and networking-based opportunity to present or receive thought leadership, please can I encourage you sign up to the forthcoming **European Congress of Actuaries**, scheduled to take place on 18 and 19 June 2026 in Paris. Hosted by the AAE with the **Institut des actuaires**, this prestigious on-site event is expected to bring together more than 350 leading experts and decision-makers from across Europe and beyond. Building on the success of previous congresses, ECA 2026 should once again offer outstanding networking opportunities and a platform for knowledge exchange within the European actuarial community. Under the theme 'United in Diversity', the congress programme will feature a compelling mix of keynote speeches by renowned experts and parallel sessions covering a wide spectrum of actuarial topics, ranging from innovation and sustainability to data science and regulation.

Of course, the congress programme will be even more compelling if you offer to contribute your own thought leadership to it! Full details are available at the **Call for Speakers - European Congress of Actuaries 2026**, with a deadline of 15 October 2025. It would really help the organisers (and yourselves, as a way of starting to collect your thoughts), to respond early, if you are wanting to propose a presentation or paper to this event!

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