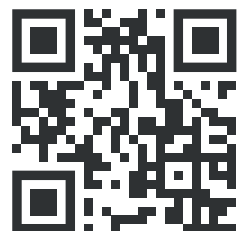




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DKF 2026 – Another Landmark Edition for the Financial Information Industry

Munich, 13 May 2026 – The 16th Annual DKF Financial Information Congress has once again cemented its position as **Europe's premier platform** for financial data and market information professionals. Hosted at the iconic Sofitel Bayerpost in Munich, this year's edition **drew about 900 attendees** – bringing together market data professionals, industry experts, technology innovators, and consumer firms and investors for an exhilarating day of keynotes, panels, round tables, and unparalleled networking.

With the overarching theme “From Insight to Acceleration: AI at the Core of Financial Innovation,” DKF 2026 set a new benchmark for industry discourse, introducing several new initiatives such as the inaugural edition of **DKF Pulse**, **DKF University** along with the new addition of **WealthTech Stream** to the agenda.

The success of this year's DKF was testimony to the D-A-CH regions increasing eminence and further growth potential.

Highlights of DKF 2026:

- **Michael Bloomberg**, in his virtual address, highlighted the importance of quality data for impactful AI implementation and Bloomberg's commitment to ensuring the same. Notably, Michael underlined how Germany continues to remain an engine of innovation and the perfect location for the congress.
- **Exclusive Keynotes & Main Stage Address:** In compelling opening keynotes, **Cory Albert**, Global Head of Read Time Data & Technology, Bloomberg and **Dr. Wieland Holfelder**, Vice President Engineering, Google, gave thought provoking sessions with a forward-looking perspective on the convergence of artificial intelligence and financial data ecosystems along with granular realities of market data management.
- **DKF Pulse:** A milestone moment for the **DKF knowledge** platform: the inaugural edition of DKF Pulse was officially launched at this year's congress. The initiative serves as a natural extension of the DKF's mission to foster knowledge exchange, featuring in-depth analysis, practitioner perspectives, regulatory commentary, and technology spotlights – keeping the community informed and engaged well beyond the annual congress.
- **WealthTech Stream:** DKF 2026 marked the launch of a dedicated WealthTech track, addressing intersection of data-driven tools and wealth advisory services, covering themes such as AI-powered portfolio analytics, client personalisation at scale, and the future of robo-advisory in European markets.

- **Industry-Specific Roundtables:** In keeping with new initiatives, DKF 2026 hosted a series of curated, industry-specific roundtables designed to facilitate candid dialogue among peer groups. Topics spanned the European response to evolving US market dominance, ESG data quality and standardisation challenges, the impact of AI on reference data management, and regulatory readiness under emerging frameworks.
- **Panel Discussions:** Expert-led panels tackled pressing issues shaping the industry today – from navigating the transition from AI hype to operational reality along with accountability challenges as AI takes on an active role in market data, to the seismic shifts in financial advice driven by the rise of self-directed investors and influencers.
- **DKF Women:** The DKF Women session returned with renewed energy, spotlighting career development, leadership, and the unique opportunities and challenges for women in the financial information space. Featuring powerful voices from across the industry such as **Sarah Gadd (Julius Baer)**, **Dr. Heike Riel (IBM)**, **Dr. Katharina Schüller (STAT-UP)**, and moderated by the amiable Anja Hohenacker (TRG Screen), DKF Women continued to be one of the most anticipated segments of the congress.

Networking at its Best:

Having been introduced only recently, the **DKF Event App** and a dedicated **DKF Networking Area** are increasingly becoming a core feature at DKF, with attendees maximizing their connections, setting up targeted meetings, and engaging in real-time discussions with fellow professionals. Furthermore, the wine-tasting and exclusive networking session at the end of the agenda ensured DKF 2026 was an unforgettable experience.

Save the Date – DKF 2027:

Mark your calendars for next year's DKF Congress, set to take place on May 11, 2027, once again at the Sofitel Bayerpost in Munich.

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Finanzberatung Quo Vadis? Selbstentscheider, Plattformen und der Aufstieg der Finfluencer

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Keynotes



The Foundation for Intelligence: Preparing Data and Technology for AI-Driven Workflows

Cory Albert, Global Head of Real Time Data & Technology, Bloomberg



AI for Everyone: From Insight to Acceleration in the Financial World

Dr Wieland Holfelder, Vice President Engineering & Leiter, Google Entwicklungszentrum München

Market Data Products and Solutions



Alles Digital, oder was?! Umsetzung des OECD CARF Standards (DAC-8)

Andreas Link, Local Country Head Germany, SIX



From Data to Dollars: Unifying Reference Data Usage Monitoring with Intelligent Sourcing

Christophe Plouvier, Product Director for Reference Data Usage Management, TRG Screen



Consolidated Tape for Equities: Unlocking Market Transparency

Veronica Taylor, Head of Sales, EuroCTP



Data Catalogs and AI: Unlocking the Power of Transparent Data

Miriam Scharmach, Senior Manager, Finbridge
Thomas Domsch, Senior Manager, Finbridge



Importance of Derivatives Data in a Volatile World

Arpita Nigam, The head of Capital Markets, Parameta Solutions, TP ICAP
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The Rise of Agentic Markets in 2026: Equipping market data infrastructure for the AI-driven trading era

Efe Yilmazer, Business Development Manager, The FintechBox

Reference Data Management and Feeds



Data Intelligence: Bridging Human Insight and Machine Power

Devendra Bhudia, Chief Product Officer, Gresham



Produktinnovationen im Stammdaten-Umfeld

Julian Giessing, Chief Growth Officer, WM Datenservice
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Modernising Data Technology in the Era of Cloud and AI

Robert O'Reilly, Global Head of the DL+ Product Specialist Group, Bloomberg



Smarter approaches to enable multi-vendor data sourcing

Giles Arbuthnott, Business Development, ICE Reference Data

Christophe Plouvier, Product Director for Reference Data Usage Management, TRG Screen



From spaghetti to control: flying through turbulence in a dynamic market data world

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Status Quo is Not an Option.

Hendrik Bartel
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Performance Reporting in a Changing Landscape: FactSet's Innovative Solutions

Ivan Bokic, Vice President, Principal Specialty Sales, FactSet



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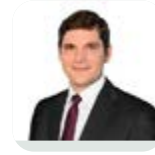
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Dr. Theodor Lammich, Associate, GSK Stockmann



Anbieterunabhängige Integration von KI im Market-Data-Management

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Trusted data, intelligent agents: From Gen AI-ready data to Gen AI-powered insights

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Trends in Digital Transformation and IT-Operations for Market Data: A wake-up call on implications from the current Memory Crisis, Digital Sovereignty, and Cyber Security

Philipp Zerhusen, Senior Account Director, Bechtle, Systemhaus Frankfurt

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Controlling data costs in the face of unlimited demand

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The Future of Corporate Actions – Exploring Corporate Actions and AI

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Vera Kocsis, Sales Director, LSEG Data & Analytics



Quantum Computing – Why is it important for finance already today?

Dr. Heike Riel, IBM Fellow, Head of Science of Quantum and Information Technology and Lead of IBM Research Quantum Europe, IBM Research



High quality data from high mountains

Michael Tschas, Data Oversight Officer, Mountain-View Data



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DKF Women: AI and Female Leadership

Moderator: Anja Hohenacker, TRG Screen
Dr. Katharina Schüller, CEO, STAT-UP Statistical Consulting & Data Science

Dr. Heike Riel, IBM Fellow, Head of Science of Quantum and Information Technology and Lead of IBM Research Quantum Europe, IBM Research

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