

# Economic Transformation, Household Behavior & Well-Being in Central Asia

## The Case of Kyrgyzstan

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The project aims to **collect panel household survey data** in Kyrgyzstan, to **investigate well-being and household behavior**, and to **improve research capacity** within the Central Asian region.

### First panel household survey in region

The project collects nationally representative panel survey data of about 4,000 households in Kyrgyzstan in the period 2010-12. The data cover information on demographics, welfare, assets, employment, coping strategies, migration, and social networks. The data is made available to the academic community in Central Asia and beyond.



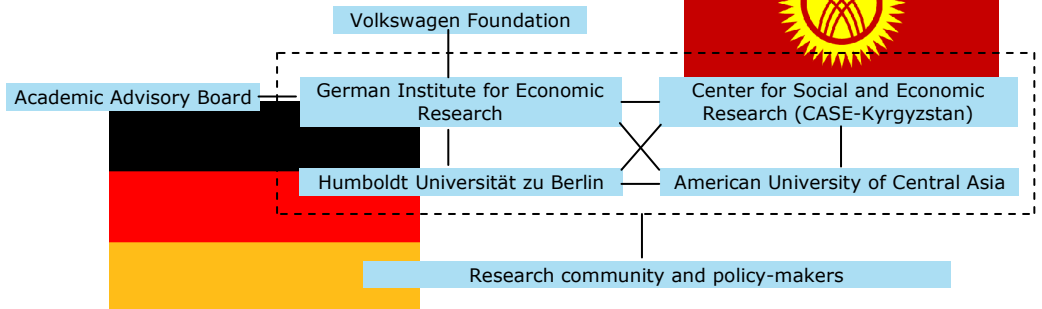
### Large range of research topics

- We are going to investigate a large range of topics, for example:
- Dynamic analysis of poverty and inequality
  - Coping strategies in adverse situations
  - Extent and consequences of migration
  - Impact of public policies on household welfare
  - Well-being and political participation
  - Determinants and consequences of unemployment
  - Returns to education

### Regional capacity building

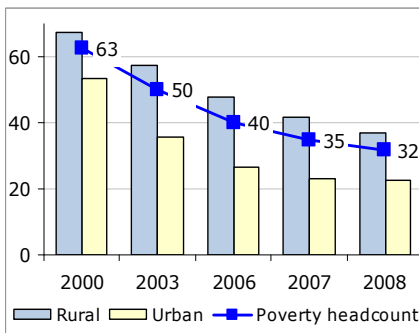
The project aims to extend research capacity of the Kyrgyz partner institutions through methodological workshops and mutual research visits. Knowledge spillovers to the wider Central Asian academic community are generated through research seminars, broad dissemination of research results and making the assembled dataset available.

### Organisational structure



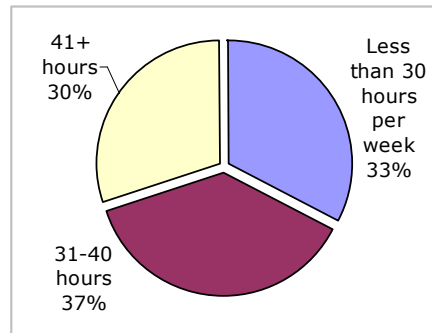
### What is the current situation in the Kyrgyz Republic?

Poverty has fallen in last decade  
% of population



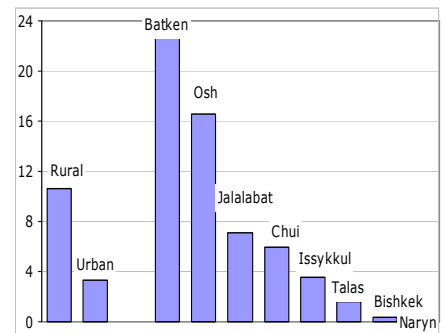
Source: National Statistical Committee

Underemployment is an issue  
# hours worked per week, average for 2006-08



Source: National Statistical Committee

Remittances are important in the South  
% of household consumption



Source: World Bank staff calculations based on KIHS 2007

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