09:00 h Registration

10:00 h Welcome
Jennifer Hunt, University of Montreal/DIW Berlin

Opening Address
Klaus F. Zimmermann, DIW Berlin/IZA

10:30 – 12:30 h Plenary Session

Does the Glass Ceiling Exist?: A Cross-National Perspective on Gender Income Mobility
Ira N. Gang, Rutgers University; John Landon-Lane, Rutgers University, and Myeong-Su Yun, University of Western Ontario/Tulane University

The Economic Costs of Marital Disruption in Germany
Hans-Juergen Andress, University of Bielefeld

12:30 – 14:00 h Lunch

Program Committee:

Jennifer Hunt (Chairperson) (University of Montreal/Canada), Elke Holst (DIW Berlin/SOEP/Germany), Heather Laurie (ISER/Essex/UK), Ruud Muffels (Tilburg University/NL), Jürgen P. Schupp (DIW Berlin/SOEP/Germany).
Wednesday, July 3, 2002

A. Methodological Issues

Attrition Bias and Poverty Rates
René Boeheim, University of Munich, and Sandro Scheid, University of Munich

Item Non-Response on Income and Wealth Questions: Patterns and Correlates
Regina T. Riphahn, University of Basel/DIW Berlin, and Oliver Serfling,
University of Basel

Respondent Behavior in Panel Studies - A Case Study for Item-Nonresponse by
Means of the German Socio-Economic Panel (GSOEP)
Joerg-Peter Schraepler, Ruhr University Bochum/DIW Berlin

B. Income Mobility

The Covariance Structure of East and West German Incomes and its Implications for
the Persistence of Poverty and Inequality
Martin Biewen, University of Heidelberg/DIW Berlin

The Dynamics of Income in Four Countries
Miles Corak, Statistics Canada/Carleton University IZA, Wen-Hao Chen, Statistics
Canada/University of Michigan, and Abdelatif Demnati, Statistics Canada

Dimensions of Income Mobility: Policy Goals and Outcomes in ‘Three Worlds of
Welfare Capitalism’
Bruce Headey, University of Melbourne, and Ruud J.A. Muffels, Tilburg University

C. East Germany

Participation Behavior of East German Women after German Unification
Holger Bonin, IZA, and Rob Euwals, IZA/CEPR

Analyzing Wage Change in East Germany during Last Decade
Ira N. Gang, Rutgers University, and Myeong-Su Yun, University of Western
Ontario/Tulane University

The Speed of Leaving the Old Job: A Study on Job Changes and Exit into
Unemployment during the East German Transition Process
Joachim Wolf, and Parvati Truebswetter, both University of Munich

Coffee Break

Poster Presentations

Get-together: Wine, Beer, Water, Pretzels
Thursday, July 4, 2002

09:30 - 12:30 h  A. Family Structure and Children

Long-Term Labor Force Exit, Widowhood and Economic Well-Being in Four Countries: A Comparison of Public and Private Income Support
Richard V. Burkhauser, Cornell University/DIW Berlin, Philip Giles, Statistics Canada, Dean R. Lillard, Cornell University/DIW Berlin and Johannes Schwarze, University of Bamberg/DIW Berlin

The Impact of Domestic Child Care on School Performance
Rainer Hufnagel, University of Hohenheim

Does Low Income in Early Childhood Affect Adolescent School Attainment? Evidence from the German Socio-Economic Panel
Stephen P. Jenkins, University of Essex/DIW Berlin, and Chris Schluter, University of Bristol/CASE

B. Wage Determination

Compensating Differentials and Voluntary Changes: Evidence from Germany
Rita Almeida, University of Barcelona, and Ernesto Villanueva, University of Barcelona

The Effect of Maternity Leave on Women’s Pay in Germany 1984 - 1994
Jan Ondrich, Syracuse University, C. Katharina Spiess, DIW Berlin/TU Berlin, and Qing Yang, Verbind

Returns to Education and Experience in Self-Employment: A Cross-National Analysis
Donald R. Williams, Kent State University

C. Wages, Employment and Careers

On Sand and the Role of Grease in Labor Markets: How does Germany Compare?
Anja Decressin, Georgetown University, and Joerg Decressin, IMF

Long - Term Effects of Unpaid Overtime - Evidence for West Germany
Markus Pannenberg, DIW Berlin/IZA

Labour Supply Effects of Low Wage Subsidies in Germany
Holger Bonin, Wolfram Kempe, and Hilmar Schneider, all IZA

11:00 – 11:30 h  Coffee Break
Thursday, July 4, 2002

14:00 – 17:00 h  A. Job Loss

The Influence of Internal Control on the Employment Status of German Workers
William T. Gallo, Yale University, Jerome Endrass, Yale University/University of Zurich, Elizabeth H. Bradley, Yale University, Daniel Hell, University of Zurich, and Stanislav V. Kasl, Yale University

Welfare State Stabilization of Employment Careers: Unemployment Benefits and Job Histories in West Germany and the United States
Markus Gangl, WZB

Fixed Term Contracts in Germany: Low Wages, Poor Prospects?
Frances McGinnity and Antje Mertens, both MPI for Human Development

B. The Elderly and Retirement

Income Dynamics Within Retirement in Germany and Great Britain
Felix Buechel, MPI for Human Development/TU Berlin/DIW Berlin/IZA, Joachim R. Frick, DIW Berlin, and Ashgar Zaidi, LSE

Retirement Timing in Germany: Does the Spouse Matter?
Sonja Drobnic, University of Bremen/Harvard University

Stability and Change: Living Arrangements of the Elderly in Germany
Enrica Croda, UCLA, and Kathleen McGarry, UCLA/NBER

C. Health, Happiness, Neighborhoods

Separate Spaces, Separate Outcomes? A study of neighborhood impacts on foreign minorities in Germany
Anita I. Drever, UCLA

The Value of Reunification in Germany: An Analysis of Changes in Life Satisfaction
Paul Friters, Free University Amsterdam, John P. Haisken-DeNew, DIW Berlin/IZA, and Michael A. Shields, University of Melbourne

Tobacco Control Policies and Smoking Cessation: A Cross Country Analysis
Donald Kenkel, Dean R. Lillard, and Alan Mathios, all Cornell University

15:30 – 16:00 h  Coffee Break

17:15 – 17:30 h  Looking Forward: Household Panels in the 21st Century
Gert G. Wagner, DIW Berlin

17:30 h  Honoring of Outstanding GSOEP2002 Conference Papers
by Jennifer Hunt, University of Montreal/DIW Berlin

17:45 h  Closing Ceremony
Jennifer Hunt, University of Montreal/DIW Berlin

18:00 h  End of the Conference
18:15 h  Joint Reception