

# Research Seminar on Comparative Social Research

## *Course number*

1555

## *Organizer*

Prof. Andreß on behalf of the Principal Investigators of the Research Training Group SOCLIFE

## *Time and location*

Wednesday 18-19.30

Room 2.B11 in CGS Building (Bauwens Gebäude, Richard-Strauß-Straße 2, 50931 Köln)

## *First and last session*

14.10.09 – 03.02.10 (weekly sessions)

## *Course description*

The research seminar will consist of a series of lectures by SOCLIFE's principal investigators and few selected presentations by invited speakers. Students of the SOCLIFE program as well as other interested doctoral students will be introduced into the main research questions of international comparative research in the various social science disciplines. The lectures focus on the research interests of the principal investigators. But instead of presenting the latest research results of the principal investigators, the lectures will illustrate possible research questions for the students by discussing recent empirical and theoretical developments with reference to the corresponding literature. Presentations by invited speakers will illustrate prototypical applications of international comparative research.

## *Course program*

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| 14.10.2009 | Heiner Meulemann (U Köln): Theoretical and methodological foundations of internationally comparative research                                                    |
| 21.10.2009 | Hans-Jürgen Andreß (U Köln): How to do comparative analyses? Research designs and methods of data analysis                                                       |
| 28.10.2009 | Martina Fuchs (U Köln): Junctions Towards More Competencies: Chances for Subsidiaries of International Companies in Peripheries? Examples from Poland and Mexico |
| 04.11.2009 | Detlef Fetchenhauer (U Köln): Introduction into cross-cultural psychology                                                                                        |
| 11.11.2009 | Christian Bjornskov (U Arhus): Determinants and consequences of trust in international comparison                                                                |
| 18.11.2009 | Claus Wendt (U Mannheim): Healthcare systems and healthcare utilization                                                                                          |
| 25.11.2009 | Karsten Hank (U Mannheim): Intergenerational Relations in 'Old' Europe                                                                                           |

- 02.12.2009 Ingo Rohlfing (U Köln): Recent advances in the comparative macro- and micro-analysis of party competition
- 09.12.2009 David Jaeger (U Köln): Comparative analysis of labor markets
- 16.12.2009 Silke Schneider (U Oxford): Measuring educational attainment in comparative research
- \*\*\*\*\* WINTER BREAK \*\*\*\*\*
- 23.12.2009 Olli Kangas (Social Insurance Institution of Finland): Comparative analysis of pension systems
- 13.01.2010 Franz-Xaver Kaufmann (U Bielefeld): Welfare State: Is there a Theory?
- 20.01.2010 André Kaiser (U Köln): The current research agenda in comparative political institutions
- 27.01.2010 Achim Goerres (U Köln): Politics and Public Policies in Ageing Societies
- 03.02.2010 Romana Careja (U Köln): Comparative analysis of migration and migration policies