

Research Training Group
SOCLIFE

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SOCLIFE PHD Workshop

University
of Cologne

Faculty of
Management,
Economics and
Social Sciences

In cooperation with GESIS
Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences

The interdisciplinary Research Training Group “Social Order and Life Chances in Cross-National Comparison” SOCLIFE is a project financed by the German Science Foundation to support empirical dissertation projects based on cross-national comparisons. SOCLIFE brings together professors from the University of Cologne from different fields of the social and economic sciences, statistics and law as well as numerous collaborating experts from other universities in and outside of Europe.

As research strategy, cross-national comparisons are common to many disciplines. However, there are different types of comparisons, each with its own strengths and weaknesses. SOCLIFE aims at bringing together approaches that combine quantitative information from the national context and the individual actors in a multi-level research design. SOCLIFE encourages its members to apply this research design to different areas of life including politics, economics, civil society and culture of modern, industrialized and democratic nation states.

In the framework of this programme, the SOCLIFE Ph.D. workshop aims to give students the opportunity to present their work and receive comprehensive feedback. The workshop is open for all those interested in the proposed topics, as it aims to be a forum for debates between the SOCLIFE members, the invited guests and other scholars.

REGISTRATION

The interested external participants can apply to Ravenna Penning (penning@wiso.uni-koeln.de, tel. 0221 – 470 3475).

Final admission date: January 31, 2010

The workshop and the public lectures will take place in the Conference Room of ZA (Central Archive for Empirical Social Research at the University of Cologne) Liliencronstr. 6, 3rd floor.

Those interested in the activities of the Research Training Group SOCLIFE are welcome to visit our webpage
<http://www.wiso.uni-koeln.de/cgs/gks.html>.

CULTURE

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH

SOCLIFE Principal investigators:

Prof. Dr. Heiner Meulemann

Prof. Dr. Detlef Fetchenhauer

Prof. Dr. Wolfgang Jagodzinski

PROGRAM

9.00	Pascal Siegers Mapping Religious Orientations across Europe: Church Religiosity, Alternative Spiritualities, and Unbelief
10.00	Coffee Break
10.15	Richard Norrie Religious belief and civil society
10.45	Olga Stavrova Social Norms and Individuals' Life Satisfaction and Affect in Cross-National Comparison: the Case of Marriage vs. Cohabitation
11.15	Thomas Goebbels Intercultural comparison of determinants of financial honesty
12.00	Lunch Break
14.00	Dr. Achim Goerres Getting published in academic journals
15.30	Coffee Break
16.00	Public lecture: Prof. Dr. Detlef Pollack (Uni Münster) Secularisation or religious revival? Religious changes in Europe – cross-country comparison

SOCIETY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 19TH

SOCLIFE Principal investigators:

Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Andreß

Prof. Dr. Eckart Bomsdorf

Prof. Dr. Michael Wagner

Prof. Dr. Frank Schulz-Nieswandt

PROGRAM

9.00	Timo Pförtner Poverty and Health in Europe: a multilevel analysis
10.00	Annelene Wengler The Healthy migrant effect – The Health Status of first and second generation Turkish immigrants in Germany
11.00	Andrea Britze The relationship between maternal labor supply and welfare state effort towards maternal employment
12.30	Lunch Break
14.00	Andre Schafrin The Climate Friendly Welfare State?
14.30	Alexander Schmidt Social Mobility and Attitudes towards Redistribution
15.00	Katja Moehring Economic well-being and poverty in old age in cross-national comparison
15.30	Elena Borisova Employment and social policies and their influence on the employment chances of women
16.00	Coffee Break
16.30	Public lecture: Prof. Dr. Bernhard Ebbinghaus (Uni Mannheim) Welfare state regimes and the life course: the case of retirement

ECONOMICS AND POLICY

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20TH

SOCLIFE Principal investigators:

Prof. Dr. Hans-Jürgen Andreß

Prof. Dr. Clemens Fuest

Prof. Dr. David Jäger

Prof. Dr. Andre Kaiser

PROGRAM

9.00	Hawal Shamon Income inequality, a determinant of perceived social injustice
10.00	Judith Niehues Redistributive Tax Benefit Systems and Income Inequality: A Macroeconometric Cross-Country Study
11.00	Public lecture: Prof. Dr. Kai Arzheimer (Uni Mainz) Contextual Factors and the Extreme Right in Western Europe
12.30	Lunch Break
14.00	Dennis Spies Explaining Working-class Support for Extreme Right Parties
15.00	Jenny Bennett Inequalities in European Labour Markets – How labour market regulation influences the individual risk of unemployment and low wages.
15.30	Coffee Break
15.45	Public lecture: Dr. Patrick Emmenegger (Uni South Denmark) Regulatory social policy: The politics of job regulations