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Human Capital & Aging Workshop April 13-14, 2015

Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, 665 Huntington Avenue, Boston, MA 02115

April 13, 2015

Location: Building 1 - 12th Floor Conference Room

- 8:15 [Transportation to Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health](#)
[\(Please meet in lobby of hotel.\)](#)
- 8:45 - 9:00 Welcome by David E. Bloom
- 9:00 - 10:00 “Pensions, education and growth with declining fertility and increasing longevity”
Lionel Artige* (HEC-University of Liège) Antoine Dedry (HEC-Liège) and Pierre Pestieau (CORE and HEC-University of Liège)
Discussant: David Canning
Richard Saltonstall Professor of Population Sciences and Professor of Economics and International Health, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- 10:00 - 10:30 [Coffee break](#)
- 10:30 - 11:30 “Optimal Education in Times of Ageing: The Dependency Ratio in the Uzawa-Lucas growth model”
Anne von Gaessler* (Maastricht University) and Thomas Ziesemer (Maastricht University and UNU-MERIT)
Discussant: Jocelyn Finlay
Research Scientist, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- 11:30 - 12:30 “On the Distributional Implications of Demographic Change”
Christian Geppert* (Goethe University Frankfurt)
Discussant: Nicholas Eberstadt
Henry Wendt Scholar in Political Economy, American Enterprise Institute
- 12:30 - 1:30 [Lunch](#)

*Indicates presenter



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1:30 - 2:30

“Demographic Dividend, Human Capital, and Saving: Take it Now or Enjoy it Later?”

Andrew Mason (University of Hawaii at Manoa and Population & Health Studies East-West Center) and Ronald Lee* (University of California)

Discussant: David Weil

James and Merryl Tisch Professor of Economics, Brown University

2:30 - 3:30

“Shifting Labor Income Age Profiles and its Implications for an Aging China”

Yong Cai* (University of North Carolina), Wu Xiwei (Renmin University), Shen Ke (Fudan University), Li Ding (Renmin University) and Wang Feng (University of California)

Discussant: Karen Eggleston

Center Fellow and Asia Health Policy Program Director, Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies, Stanford University

3:30 - 4:00

Coffee break

4:00 - 5:00

“Providing social protection to the informal sector: impact of unconditional cash transfer scheme for the elderly in Ekiti State Nigeria”

Damilola Olajide* (Centre for Evidenced-Based Development Research & Policy, Ado Ekiti Nigeria and Initiative for Public Policy Analysis, Lagos Nigeria), Rufus Akindola (Federal University Oye, Nigeria and Initiative for Public Policy Analysis, Lagos Nigeria), Olusegun Sotola (Initiative for Public Policy Analysis, Lagos Nigeria) and Florence Adebayo (Centre for Evidenced-Based Development Research & Policy, Ado Ekiti Nigeria and Initiative for Public Policy Analysis, Lagos Nigeria)

Discussant: Sanjay Mohanty

Visiting scholar, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health; Professor, International institute for Population Sciences, Mumbai

5:00 - 6:00

Labour force participation, human capital and wellbeing among older New Zealanders”

Michael Cameron*, Peggy Koopman-Boyden and Matthew Roskrug (University of Waikato)

Discussant: Mark McGovern

Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies



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- 6:15 *Transportation to Harvard Faculty Club*
 (Please meet in lobby of School of Public Health.)
- 7:00 *Dinner at Harvard Faculty Club hosted by Elsevier*
 Distinguished Speaker: Uwe Sunde, Professor of Economics,
 University of Munich (LMU)
- 9:00 *Transportation to Harvard Faculty Club*
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April 14, 2015

Location: Building 1 - 12th Floor Conference Room

- 8:30 [Transportation to Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health](#)
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- 9:00 - 10:00 “The age-varying contribution of education to TFP growth”
Vincent Vandenberghe* (IRES, Economics School of Louvain (ESL)
and Université catholique de Louvain (UCL)
Discussant: William Dickens
Distinguished Professor of Economics and Social Policy, Northeastern University College of Social Sciences and Humanities
- 10:00 - 10:30 [Coffee break](#)
- 10:30 - 11:30 “Training Access and Retirement Expectations”
Raymond Montizaan* (Maastricht University (ROA), Netspar and IZA), Andries de Grip (Maastricht University (ROA), Netspar and IZA) and Didier Fouarge (Maastricht University (ROA) and Netspar)
Discussant: Margaret McConnell
Assistant Professor of Global Health Economics, Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health
- 11:30 - 12:30 “Do Older Worker’s Skills Actually Depreciate during the Period of Unemployment?”
Zafar Nazarov* (Indiana University - Purdue University Fort Wayne)
Discussant: Dara Lee Luca
Visiting Assistant Professor of Public Policy, Harvard Kennedy School
- 12:30 - 1:30 [Lunch](#)
- 1:30 - 2:30 “Ageing and the Skill Portfolio of Older Workers”
Audra Bowlus, Chris Robinson*, and Hiroaki Mori (University of Western Ontario)
Discussant: Kevin Lang
Professor of Economics, Boston University
- 2:30 - 3:30 “Flexibility at a Cost – Should Governments Stimulate Tertiary Education for Adults?”
Anders Stenberg* (SOFI, Stockholm University and IZA Bonn) and Olle Westerlund (Umeå University)
Discussant: Younghwan Song
Associate Professor of Economics, Union College



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- 3:30 [Transportation to Westin Copley Plaza](#)
[\(Please meet in lobby of School of Public Health.\)](#)
- 5:00 [Transportation to Swissnex/Boston](#)
[\(Please meet in lobby of hotel.\)](#)
- 5:30 [Reception hosted by Swissnex/Boston](#)
Welcome speech by Martin Dahinden, Swiss Ambassador to the U.S.A.
- 6:00 - 7:00 Business Session about Innovation in Switzerland
- “Age diversity: Added value for employees, clients and the company”
Yvonne Seitz* (Head of Diversity & Family Care and AXA Winterthur) and Christoph Müller (Head of Human Resources and member of the Executive Board of AXA Winterthur)
Discussion and Closing Remarks: David E. Bloom and Alfonso Sousa-Poza
- 7:00 - 9:00 [Farewell: Aperero Riche](#)