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Deaton Review Country Studies: A Trans-Atlantic Comparison of Inequalities in Incomes and Outcomes over Five Decades

Paris Workshop, Oct. 20th – Oct. 22nd

Venue: Paris School of Economics, 48 boulevard Jourdan, 75014 Paris

Abstract

The impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on earnings, education, skills and jobs raises key challenges for inequality and the design of policy responses. The aim of this project is to examine a broad set of inequalities in employment, human capital, earnings and family income over the last five decades in a coherent framework across North America and Europe. It will provide a major source for comparative research on inequality trends and on how the pandemic has affected them. There are 17 country-based research teams involved with extensive experience researching economic inequalities. Each team is responsible for their country-specific data, which will draw on household surveys and administrative records, but all analyses are coordinated across countries to provide harmonious treatment of variables and estimation. The project is composed of four related research strands. The first is to understand changes in a wide range of economic inequalities before and during the COVID-19 pandemic. The second will examine labour market inequalities in detail. The third will highlight the role of education and training for those who do not go to university and focusses on the differences in educational systems and the impact on inequality. The final strand will look at the tax and welfare systems and their effectiveness at addressing family income inequality. The key outputs of this project will be a set of country-specific papers on the evolution and drivers of income inequalities pre-and post-pandemic; two cross-country synthesis papers, and a policy brief for each country. This project will highlight key differences and commonalities across 17 economies, deepen our understanding of the drivers of inequality and the impact of the pandemic and provide evidence needed to design appropriate policy responses to inequality in the post-pandemic world.



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Thursday 20th Oct. 2022

9:30-10:30 United States, James Ziliak (Kentucky, lead PI), Bradley Hardy

10:30-11:30 United Kingdom, Richard Blundell (IFS and UCL), Jonathan Cribb and Robert Joyce

Coffee break

11:45-12:45 Canada, David Green (UBC), Kelly Foley and Craig Riddell

Buffet lunch at PSE

14:00-15:00 Finland, Tomi Kyrrä (VATT Institute for Economic Research), Tuuli Paukkeri, Terhi Ravaska and Marja Riihelä

15:00-16:00 Germany, Andreas Peichl (Munich, Ifo and LMU), Przemyslaw Brandt, Maximilian Bloemer, Julia Freuding Justyna Klejdysz, Paul Schüle, Marc Stöckli

Coffee break

16:30-17:30 France, Antoine Bozio (PSE and IPP, Paris), Maxime Tô (IPP), Malka Guillot (Liege), Lukas Puschnig (IPP)

17:30-18:30 Austria, Andrea Weber (Vienna, and CEU), Martin Halla

19:30 – Conference dinner (venue to be confirmed)

Thursday 20th Oct. 2022

9:30-10:30 Belgium, Bram de Rock (ECARES), Laurens Cherchye and Bart Capeau

10:30-11:30 Denmark, Soren Leth-Petersen (Copenhagen, Centre for Inequality), Johan Saeverud

Coffee break

11:45-12:45 Greece, Nikos Vettas (AUEB and IOEB), Svet Danchev, Niki Kalavrezou, Georgios Gatopoulos, Grigoris Pavlou

Buffet lunch at PSE

14:00-15:00 Ireland, Barra Rountree (ESRI, Dublin) Alan Barrett, Alyvia McTague



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15:00-16:00 Italy, Tullio Jappelli (University of Naples Federico II), Luigi Pistaferri, Immacolata Marino, Annalisa Scognamiglio

Coffee break

16:30-17:30 Netherlands, Egbert Jongen (CPB and Leiden University), Wim Bos, Koen Caminada, Jim Been

17:30-18:30 Norway, Kjell Salvanas (NHH, FAIR, Bergen), Aline Butikofer, Katrine Vellesen Loken

Saturday 14th Dec.

9:30-10:30 Portugal, Pedro Portugal (Bank of Portugal), Pedro Raposo, Hugo Reis

10:30-11:30 Spain, Olympia Bover (Bank of Spain), Laura Hospido, Aitor Lacuesta, Ernesto Villanueva

Coffee break

11:45-12:45 Sweden, Martin Palme (SSE, Stockholm), Arizo Karimi, Charlotte Lucke

Buffet lunch at PSE

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