

Workshop on “Optimal Fertility in Ageing Societies”

December 9-10, 2010
Vienna Institute of Demography (VID)
Wohllebengasse 12-14, 1040 Vienna

Thursday, December 9th

9.00-10.45 Session 1 (Chair: Wolfgang Lutz)	
09.00-09.15	Opening
09.15-10.00	Dierk Herzer, Holger Strulik, Sebastian Vollmer The long run determinants of fertility: one century of demographic change 1900-1999 <i>Discussant: Jesus Crespo Cuaresma</i>
10.00-10.45	Thomas Baudin The optimal trade-off between quality and quantity with uncertain child survival <i>Discussant: Michael Kuhn</i>
10.45-11.15	Coffee break
11.15-12.45 Session 2 (Chair: Wolfgang Lutz)	
11.15-12.00	Paula Gobbi A model of voluntary childlessness <i>Discussant: Ross Guest</i>
12.00-12.45	Michael Kuhn and Stefan Wrzaczek On optimal fertility and mortality in economies with age-structured population <i>Discussant: Hippolyte d’Albis</i>
12.45-14.00	Lunch break
14.00-15.30 Session 3 (Chair: David Bloom)	
14.00-14.45	Ron Lee and Andrew Mason Low fertility and economic growth <i>Discussant: Theresa Grafeneder-Weissteiner</i>
14.45-15.30	Holger Strulik, Klaus Prettnner and Alexia Prskawetz Declining population: R&D based growth in the post-modern era <i>Discussant: Andreas Schäfer</i>
15.30-16.00	Coffee break
16.00-17.30 Session 4 (Chair: David Bloom)	
16.00-16.45	Wolfgang Lutz and Erich Striessnig Optimal fertility as implied by education weighted support ratios <i>Discussant: Andrew Mason</i>
16.45-17.30	Thomas Lindh and Jovan Zamac Can national transfer accounts be used for broad measures of human capital? <i>Discussant: Vegard Skirbekk</i>
19.00 Conference Dinner	

Friday, December 10th

09.00-10.30 Session 5 (Chair: Alexia Prskawetz)

- 09.00-09.45 **Andreas Schäfer**
Population dynamics, pollution, and economic inequality
Discussant: Natacha Raffin
- 09.45-10.30 **David de la Croix**
The natalist bias of pollution control
Discussant: Miguel Sanchez-Romero
- 10.30-11.00 **Coffee break**

11.00-12.30 Session 6 (Chair: Alexia Prskawetz)

- 11.00-11.45 **Ross Guest**
Global fertility, social time preference and the optimal carbon price
Discussant: Jovan Zamac
- 11.45-12.30 **Natacha Raffin**
Can educational subsidies alleviate the demographic pressure on the environment? The role of reproductive externalities
Discussant: Kenneth Howse
- 12.30-13.30 **Lunch break**

13.30-15.00 Session 7 (Chair: Thomas Lindh)

- 13.30-14.15 **Joshua R. Goldstein and Miguel Sanchez-Romero**
Fiscal externalities to childbearing in aging populations
Discussant: Paula Gobbi
- 14.15-15.00 **Carl Schmertmann**
Immigrants' ages, long-run dependency, and unfunded public pensions with below-replacement fertility
Discussant: Joshua R. Goldstein
- 15.00-15.30 **Coffee break**

15.30-17.00 Session 8 (Chair: Thomas Lindh)

- 15.30-16.15 **Robert Clark, Naohiro Ogawa and Rikiya Matsukura**
Financial literacy, saving, and retirement decisions
Discussant: Inga Freund / Bernhard Hammer
- 16.15-17.00 **Alicia Adsera**
Fertility, education and religious practice in the world: a look at recent trends
Discussant: Bilal Barakat