

POSTPONEMENT OF CHILDBEARING IN EUROPE

Organizers:

Vienna Institute of Demography, Università Bocconi, Milan, and the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis

in collaboration with the Working Group on the Second Demographic Transition in Europe of the European Association for Population Studies
(co-chaired by F. Billari and A. Liefbroer)

Agenda:

THURSDAY, 1 December

1. Concepts, measurement, trends: 9.15-12.30
(coffee break: 10:45-11)

- 1.1 Tomas Frejka and Jean-Paul Sardon "Measuring the Timing of Cohort Childbearing: Anticipation and Postponement"
- 1.2 Dalkhat Ediev: "Cohort paramount? Long-term effects of the childbearing postponement"
- 1.3 John Bongaarts and Griffith Feeney: "The Quantum and Tempo of Life Cycle Events."
- 1.4 Tomas Sobotka: "Measuring fertility quantum in times of shifts in fertility timing: The parity-duration approach"
- 1.5 Jose-Antonio Ortega: "Plastic Age at Childbearing: A coherent model for tempo differentials in microdata"
- 1.6 Laurent Toulemon: " Does postponement explain the trend to later childbearing in France?"

2. POSTER SESSION A: 12.30-14.00

- 2.1. Katrin Fliegenschnee: "Postponement of first birth in Austria and the influence of social networks. A qualitative study in Austria"
- 2.2. Mare Ainsaar & Pirjo Paajanen: "Reasons of postponement of births: comparison of Estonia and Finland"
- 2.3. Monika Mynarska, Alexey Pamporov, Marta Jakab: "An ideal sequence of life events. The use of visual aids in the process of interviewing"
- 2.4. Michaela Potancoková: "Reproductive careers of Slovak women during the state socialism and nowadays"
- 2.5. Hana Haskova: "Phenomenon of childlessness and postponement of childbearing - focus on the Czech Republic".

3. The societal-level perspective: 14.00-17.45
(coffee break 16:00-16:15)

- 3.1 Wolfgang Lutz: "Low fertility trap hypothesis"
- 3.2 S.-Philip Morgan: "Synthesis of low fertility theories"

- 3.3 Aat Liefbroer and Evert Van Imhoff: "Does the Macro-Economic Climate Have an Effect on Fertility Behaviour? An Analysis of the Netherlands 1972-2002"
- 3.4 Alexia Prskawetz, Henriette Engelhart, Maria Mamolo: "A pooled time series analysis on the relation between fertility and key fertility-related demographic behavior across space and time"
- 3.5 Hans-Peter Kohler, Axel Skyttthe and Kaare Christensen: "The Postponement of Childbearing, Completed Fertility and Subjective Well-being"
- 3.6 Gianpiero Dalla Zuanna and Maria Letizia Tanturri: "Between childbearing postponement, fertility decline and new social gaps. Fertility by education in Veneto (Italy) during the second half of 20th century"
- 3.7 Hans-Peter Blossfeld: "Globalization, Uncertainty and Fertility Decisions of Young People in Modern Societies"

FRIDAY, 2 December

4. Interrelationships with other life domains and micro-macro links: 9:15-12.30 (Coffee break: 10:45-11)

- 4.1 Arnstein Aasve, Letizia Mencarini, and Arjan Gjonca: "Fertility change in Albania: Evidence from LSMS survey"
- 4.2 Clémentine Rossier and Jean-Marie Le Goff: "Delays and diversification in family formation patterns after the baby boom in Switzerland"
- 4.3 Eva Bernhardt and Frances Goldscheider: "Parenthood attitudes and reasons for delayed childbearing in Sweden: A gender perspective"
- 4.4 Zsolt Spéder and Balázs Kapitány: "Childbearing behaviour in Hungary: assessing structural and ideational factors"
- 4.5 Katja Köppen: "The Compatibility between Work and Family Life - an empirical Study of Second Birth Risks in West Germany and France"

5. POSTER SESSION B: 12.30 - 14.00

- 5.1. Laura Bernardi, Paola Di Giulio: "The role of kinship in the reproductive histories of Italian women"
- 5.2. Maria Winkler, Laurent Toulemon: "Gender difference in Family Formation in France: is there convergence over the recent period?"
- 5.3. Torkild Lyngstad, Alexia Prskawetz: "Does siblings' fertility histories influence each other?"
- 5.4. Marcantonio Caltabiano, Francesco Billari, JP. DallaZuanna: "The heirs of sexual revolution"
- 5.5. Mirjana Rasevic: "Postponing of childbearing in the optimal life age - basic demographic consequence of the 1990s in Serbia"
- 5.6. Margherita Fort: "Education and the Timing of Births: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Italy"

6. Intentions, preferences, and behavior: 14.00 - 15.30

- 6.1 Brienna Perelli-Harris: "The influence of engagement in extra activities and subjective well-being on fertility in a context of anomie: higher parity childbearing in post-Soviet Russia"

- 6.2 Maria-Rita Testa and Laurent Toulemon: "Family Formation in France: Between Preferences and social constraints"
- 6.3 Daniel Devolder: "Measuring the unintended components of low fertility. Voluntary and involuntary childlessness in Europe"

(Coffee break 15.30 - 15.45)

7. Bio-medical dimensions of a changing age at birth: 15.45-17.45

- 7.1 Henri Leridon: "The biological obstacles to late childbearing and the limits of assisted reproduction technologies"
- 7.2 Alessandro Rosina and Ester Rizzi: "Biological ageing and the probabilities of conception. Does sex matter?"
- 7.3 Hideko Matsuo: "Late motherhood and its consequences: An assessment and analysis of recent birth weight and related data in Belgium"
- 7.4 Livia Olàh and Ewa Fraczak: "Waiting long but not too long. First childbearing at higher ages in Sweden and Poland"

SATURDAY, 3 December

8. Policies: 9.00-12.15 (coffee break: 10:30-10:45)

- 8.1 Paul Demeny: "For the birth rate timing counts but what ultimately matters is quantum"
- 8.2 Peter Mc Donald: "An assessment of policies that support having children from the perspectives of equity, efficiency and efficacy."
- 8.3 Dirk Van de Kaa: "Temporarily New: On low fertility and the prospect of pro-natal policies"
- 8.4 Gerda Neyer: "Welfare state, family policies, and fertility in Europe: What do we know about their relationship?"
- 8.5 Gunnar Andersson, Jan M. Hoem, and Ann-Zofie Duvander, "Social differentials in speed-premium effects in childbearing in Sweden"
- 8.6 Discussant: David Coleman

Lunch break: 12.15 - 12.45

12.45 - 14.00 Discussion: *How long will the postponement of childbearing last?*

Discussion chaired by Liefbroer.

1. Josh Goldstein and W. Lutz: "Can theory tell us if and when fertility postponement will come to an end?"
2. Billari, Philipov: (tba)