



WIC Hybrid Colloquium

Partners' relative resources and the transition to second birth in Austria

Wed, 14 June, 2023
11:00 – 12:00 (CEST)



Alessandra Trimarchi

University of Vienna

Abstract:

Fertility research is increasingly focusing on couples, especially on how the combination of partners' characteristics affect parity progression. Analyses with register data, however, remain scarce and mostly limited to Nordic European countries. In this paper, we use a dataset derived from Austrian social security records and the birth register covering first births in the period 1990-2007, and parity progression in the follow-up. We test whether the observed positive effect of couples' education is explained by partners' joint or relative resources. Specifically, we apply cure models to analyse differential effects of partners' resources on the timing and quantum of second births. Results show that couples where both partners have a tertiary degree have a higher probability to have the second child relative to other pairings. Instead, differentials in the timing of second births are minor. This finding also holds when controlling for partners' resources.

Please click [here](#) to register.

Login information will be sent to registered participants shortly before the presentation.

About the presenter:

Alessandra Trimarchi is a postdoctoral researcher and a lecturer at the Department of Sociology of the University of Vienna since 2021. Previously, she worked at the French National Institute of Demography (Ined), and at the Catholic University of Leuven (KU Leuven). In 2016, she obtained a PhD in Demography jointly granted by Sapienza University of Rome and KU Leuven. Her research focuses on the association between socioeconomic resources and reproductive behaviour, and its implications for the reproduction of social inequalities in Europe.

The Wittgenstein Centre is a collaboration among the Austrian Academy of Sciences (OeAW), the International Institute for Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) and the University of Vienna.