

HumVIB
**Cross-National and Multi-Level Analysis of
Human Values, Institutions and Behaviour**

HumVIB Final Conference
8-10 September 2011, Berlin

**Understanding European Diversity:
Cross-National Analysis of Human Values,
Attitudes and Behaviour**

PROGRAMME

Thursday 8 September 2011

8.30 – 9.30 **REGISTRATION**

9.45 ***Opening session***

Sarah Moore, EUROCORES Programme Coordinator (European Science Foundation)

Richard Sinnott, HumVIB Scientific Committee (University College Dublin)

10.10 ***Keynote speech***

Between stable and unstable equilibria

Gøsta Esping-Andersen (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

11.00 ***Coffee break***

11.30 ***Keynote speech***

Cultural values as constraints and facilitators of socio-economic change

Shalom Schwartz (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)

12.20 ***Lunch***

13.30 ***Session 1: Welfare Attitudes in Europe***

Introduction: Welfare Attitudes in Europe

Stefan Svallfors (Umeå University)

Does popular support for welfare states depend on their outcomes?

Bart Meuleman (Katholieke Universiteit Leuven)

Welfare legitimacy in context: a normative approach to welfare attitudes

Christian Staerklé (University of Lausanne)

Boundaries of solidarity. Unravelling working-class welfare chauvinism

Jan Mewes (University of Bremen)

Commentators:

Max Kaase (Jacobs University Bremen)

Karen Jusko (Stanford University, VTAC)

15.30 ***Coffee break***

16.00

Session 2: Voter Turnout and Abstention in Context

Introduction: Voter Turnout and Abstention in Context

Richard Sinnott (University College Dublin)

A group-based model of voter turnout

Richard Sinnott (UCD) and Karen Jusko (Stanford University)

Electoral system, personal votes, and party choice

Søren Risbjerg Thomsen (Aarhus University)

Disproportionality and voter turnout in new and old democracies

Guillem Rico (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), Aina Gallego (Autonomous University of Barcelona, UAB, and Stanford University) and Eva Anduiza (UAB)

The closer the merrier: Political interest, turnout and diffusion of power

Jordi Muñoz (Autonomous University of Barcelona), Sergi Pardos-Prado (University of Oxford) and Carolina Galais (Autonomous University of Barcelona)

Commentators:

Jean Blondel (Emeritus Professor, European University Institute)

Thomas Bräuninger (University of Mannheim, REPCONG)

18.00

End of day 1

19.15

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Friday 9 September 2011

9.00

Session 3: The Geography of Happiness in Europe: the role of environmental and policy differences

Introduction: The Geography of Happiness in Europe

Susana Ferreira (University of Georgia)

Data merging and generation

Mirko Moro (University of Stirling) and Tine Ningal (University College Dublin)

Life satisfaction and the environment: the case of Europe

Alpaslan Akay (IZA, Bonn), Finbarr Brereton (University College Dublin), Juncal Cuñado (University of Navarra), Susana Ferreira (University of Georgia), Peter Martinsson (Gothenburg University) and Mirko Moro (University of Stirling)

“Sundays are blue, aren’t they?” The day-of-the-week effect on subjective well-being and socio-economic status

Peter Martinsson (Gothenburg University) and Alpaslan Akay (IZA, Bonn)

Perceptions of society and happiness: An analysis of material and subjective determinants of life satisfaction across European countries

Finbarr Brereton (University College Dublin) and Ines Calzada (Spanish National Research Council)

Commentators:

Heinz Welsch (University of Oldenburg)

Francesco Billari (Bocconi University, Milan, LIFETIMING)

11.00

Coffee break

11.20

Session 4: The Timing of the Life-Course

Introduction: The Timing of the Life-Course

Aart Liefbroer (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, NIDI)

Significant markers in the cultural segmentation of the life course

Livia Takács-Murinkó and Zsolt Spéder (HCSO Demographic Research Institute, Budapest)

Age norms on leaving home: Multilevel evidence from the European Social Survey

Francesco Billari, Arnstein Aassve and Bruno Arpino (Bocconi University, Milan)

Double standards: A cross-European study on differences in norms against divorce, non-marital cohabitation and non-marital childbearing for men and women

Arieke Rijken and Aart Liefbroer (NIDI)

Life planning among young adults: the effects of individual and country security

Tale Hellevik (Norwegian Social Research - NOVA) and Richard A. Settersten Jr (Oregon State University)

Commentators:

Gosta Esping-Andersen (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

Tanja van der Lippe (Utrecht University, EQUALITY)

13.15

Lunch

14.15

Session 5: Gender Inequality in a Comparative Perspective

Gender Inequality in a Comparative Perspective: a general reflection

Tanja van der Lippe (Utrecht University)

Social support and the working hours of employed mothers in Europe: The relevance of the state, the workplace, and the family

Anja Abendroth, Ineke Maas and Tanja van der Lippe (Utrecht University)

Gender inequality in household labour

Zoya Gubernskaya, Tsui-O Tai and Judith Treas (University of California, Irvine)

Persistence or decline? Gender gaps in voluntary association participation across countries and time

Sascha Peter and Sonja Drobnič (University of Hamburg)

What explains cross-country variations in gender inequality in poverty after socialism?

Eva Fodor (Central European University, Budapest) and Daniel Horn (ELTE)

Commentators:

Maria Charles (University of California, Santa Barbara)

Annette Schnabel (Umeå University, WAE)

16.15

Coffee break

Session 6a

Chair: **Stefan Svallfors (Umeå University, WAE)**

Welfare regimes and normative feedback: A cross-country comparative study of public attitudes towards job flexibility

Janine Bernhardt (Trier University)

Subjective social mobility and preferences for income redistribution

Alexander Schmidt (University of Cologne)

Commentator: **Jan Mewes (University of Bremen, WAE)**

Popular attitudes towards old-age pensions in the welfare state: cross-national evidence from thirteen countries in Europe and North America

Mareike Wagner (Social Science Research Centre Berlin - WZB) and Alexander Gattig (University of Bremen)

Does it still matter whom I love? The acceptance of homosexuality in a European context

Stephanie Steinmetz and Theo Araujo (University of Amsterdam)

Commentator: **Tim Reeskens (Tilburg University, WAE)**

Session 6b

Chair: **Ruud Luijkx (Tilburg University, WAE)**

Favourable conditions for workplace work-life arrangements

Wike Been (Utrecht University), Laura den Dulk (Erasmus University), Tanja van der Lippe (Utrecht University)

Gender roles and fertility: a changing equilibrium

Giulia Maria Dotti Sani (University of Trento)

Commentator: **Tale Hellevik (Norwegian Social Research – NOVA, LIFETIMING)**

Timing preferences and age norms in the transition to adulthood among immigrants and majority groups in Europe

Jennifer Holland (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, NIDI, the Hague) and Helga de Valk (NIDI and Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

Why are religious people happy? A social norm explanation

Olga Stavrova, Detlef Fetchenhauer and Thomas Schlösser (University of Cologne)

Commentator: **Livia Takács-Murinkó (HCSO Demographic Research Institute, Budapest, LIFETIMING)**

Session 6c

Chair: Ineke Maas (Utrecht University, EQUALITY)

Unemployment and well-being in Europe. The effect of country unemployment rate, work ethics and family ties

Malgorzata Mikucka (CEPS/Instead, Luxembourg)

The quality of the place of living, social participation and well-being in older age: exploring the cross-national variation in Europe

Wojtek Tomaszewski (University of Queensland)

Commentator: Finbarr Brereton (University College Dublin, HAPPINESS)

Are the baby-boomers still the 'protest generation' across Western Europe? Explaining cross-national differences in cohort effects on protest participation in Western Europe, 1981-2008

Maria Grasso (University of Southampton)

Framing strategies and framing effects

Marta Osojnik (Università degli Studi di Milano)

Commentator: Zoe Lefkofridi (University of Vienna, REPCONG)

18.15

End of day 2

19.30

Buffet dinner at conference venue

Saturday 10 September 2011

9.00

Session 7: Representation in Europe: Policy congruence between citizens and elites

Introduction: Representation in Europe: Policy congruence between citizens and elites

Gail McElroy (Trinity College Dublin)

Linking ideological and subjective representation

Kathrin Kissau, Georg Lutz and Jan Rosset (University of Lausanne)

Political representation of the poor and economic inequality: a comparative analysis

Jan Rosset (University of Lausanne), Nathalie Giger (University of Mannheim) and

Julian Bernauer (University of Konstanz)

Rethinking the concept of representation

Alice Ludvig (University of Vienna)

Representation and agenda-setting in the EU

Caroline McEvoy (Trinity College Dublin)

Commentators:

Robert Rohrschneider (University of Kansas)

Guillem Rico (Universitat Pompeu Fabra, VTAC)

11.00

Coffee break

11.30

Panel discussion

How to make progress in understanding European diversity in social behaviour and institutions: theory, methods, data

Chair: **Aart Liefbroer (Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute, HumVIB Scientific Committee)**

Panel:

Lynn Prince Cooke (University of Surrey)

Max Kaase (Jacobs University Bremen)

Frans Willekens (Honorary Fellow, Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute)

12.30

End of conference and lunch

14.00 - 17.00

Closed meeting of the HumVIB Review Panel