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AISSEC WORKSHOP

COMPARING INEQUALITIES

ASSISI (Italy) - 22-23 June 2010

Palazzo dei Priori, Piazza del Comune

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Tuesday 22 June

14:00 *Workshop Opening*

14:30 *Plenary Session*

Chair: Milica Uvalic (University of Perugia, AISSEC President)

Keynote Lectures

Branko Milanovic (University of Maryland and World Bank, Washington DC)

Global Income Inequality, the Role of New PPPs and New Surveys Data, and the Position of Transition Countries in the World

Daniele Checchi (University of Milan)

The Effects of Labour Market Institutional Settings on Wage and Income Inequality

16:15 *Coffee break*

16:30

Session A1 Inequality and Transition: Cross-Country Analyses

Chair: Elisabetta Croci Angelini (University of Macerata)

(i) *Has Transition Improved Well-Being? An Analysis Based on Income, Inequality-Adjusted Income, Non-Income, and Subjective Well-Being Measures*

Carola Gruen (University of the Witwatersrand) - Stephan Klasen (University of Goettingen)

(ii) *Global Income Distributions and Inequality, 1993 and 2000: Incorporating Country-Level Inequality Modelled with Beta Distributions*

Duangkamon Chotikapanich (Monash University, Melbourne) - William E. Griffiths (University of Melbourne) - D.S. Prasada Rao (The University of Queensland) - Vicar Valencia (RMIT University)

(iii) *Relative Deprivation, Inequality Aversion and Well-being: Evidence from Transition Economies*

Alexandru Cojocaru (University of Maryland, College Park)

(iv) *Personal and Regional Income Inequality in Europe under the Impact of Changing Institutions and Economic Conditions*

Onno Hoffmeister (Eurostat)

Session B1 Labour Market Institutions and Wage Inequalities: a Comparative Perspective

Chair: Floro Ernesto Caroleo (University of Naples "Parthenope", AIEL President)

(i) *Shaping Earnings Dynamics: Policy and Institutional Factors*

Denisa Maria Sologon (Maastricht University and Harvard University) - Cathal O'Donoghue (Teagasc Rural Economy Research Centre; NUI Galway; IZA and ULB)

(ii) *Economic Openness, Education and Inequality in Developing Countries at the End of the XX Century. Reopening the Debate*

Donatella Saccone (University of Torino)

(iii) *The Gender Inequalities Index (GII) as a New Way to Measure Gender Inequalities in Developing Countries*

Gaëlle Ferrant (Centre d'Economie de la Sorbonne-Université Paris I)

20:00 *Workshop Dinner (Restaurant La Rocca, Assisi)*

Wednesday 23 June

9:00

Session A2 *Inequality and Transition: Country-Specific Analyses*

Chair: Susan Senior (University of Siena)

(i) *Distributional Change, Reference Groups and the Measurement of Relative Deprivation*

Jacques Silber (Bar-Ilan University, Israel) - Paolo Verme (University of Torino)

(ii) *Riding on the Wave? Middle Class in Transition*

Joanna Tyrowicz (University of Warsaw) - Joanna Nestorowicz (University of Warsaw)

(iii) *Social Policy and Poverty: Checking The Efficiency of The Social Assistance System in Poland*

Adam Szulc (Warsaw School of Economics)

Coffee break

(iv) *Child Welfare in Albania Using a Collective Approach*

Lucia Mangiavacchi (Paris School of Economics and University of Balearic Islands) – Federico Perali (University of Verona) - Luca Piccoli (Paris School of Economics and University of Balearic Islands)

(v) *Men's Wage Inequality in Serbia's Transition*

Milica Kecmanovic (The University of New South Wales, Sydney) - Garry Barrett (The University of New South Wales, Sydney)

(vi) *Social Policy Effects on Income Inequality in Serbia*

Milena Jovičić (University of Belgrade) - Olgica Ivančev (University of Novi Sad)

12:30 *Light lunch and departure*

Wednesday 23 June

9:00

Session B2 *Spatial, Social And Gender Determinants of Wage Inequalities in EU: a Country-Specific Perspective*

Chair: Mirella Damiani (University of Perugia)

(i) *Wage Distribution and the Spatial Sorting of Workers and Firms*

Alessia Matano (University of Rome La Sapienza) - Paolo Naticchioni (University of Rome La Sapienza)

(ii) *Does Expansion of Higher Education Dampen the Wages of Young Graduates? The Case of the UK*

Anna Sabadash (University of Leuven)

(iii) *When Supply Meets Demand: Wage Inequality in Portugal*

Mario Centeno (Banco de Portugal & ISEG) – Alvaro A. Novo (Banco de Portugal & ISEG)

(iv) *Gender Wage Gap: A Semi-parametric Approach with Sample Selection Correction*

Matteo Picchio (Tilburg University) - Chiara Mussida (Università Cattolica, Milan)

Coffee break

(v) *Housing Tenure and Job Search Behaviour. A Different Analysis of the Impact of the UK Jobseeker's Allowance*
Francesco Arzilli (University of Pisa) - Andrea Morescalchi (University of Pisa)

(vi) *The Pareto Law and the Distribution of Labour Income in Italy*

Fabio Clementi (University of Macerata) - Michele Giammatteo (ISFOL)

(vii) *The Impact of Plant Closure over the Business Cycles: Natives vs. Immigrant Workers*

Inés Hardoy (Institute for Social Research Oslo) - Pål Schøne (Institute for Social Research Oslo)

(viii) *Do Flexible Employment Contracts Change Household Income Differences in Italy?*

Carmen Aina (University of Piemonte Orientale) - Fernanda Mazzotta (University of Salerno) - Lavinia Parisi (University of Salerno and ISER - University of Essex)

12:30 *Light lunch and departure*