



Call for Papers

Employment Uncertainty and Family Dynamics

Joint workshop of the French National Institute for Demographic Studies, the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research and Stockholm University

In many European countries, we witness an increase in atypical, instable and precarious employment situations. Youth unemployment, term-limited working contracts and marginal employment have become a common experience during the early life course. An important question is how these changes in the employment domain affect fertility and family transitions. How do different types of employment uncertainty relate to entry into union, entry into parenthood and the decision to have further children? What socio-economic and cross-national differences are important? What is the role of gender? What is the interplay of the couple's employment situation and family dynamics? How important are state policies in mediating the effects of employment uncertainty on childbearing and family dynamics?

These are some of the questions we want to discuss at this workshop. We are open to contributions from various disciplines such as demography, economics, sociology, anthropology or statistics. Quantitative as well as qualitative studies are welcome.

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Deadline for submission of a one-page proposal is April, 1st 2009. Proposals can be sent to Gunnar Andersson (gunnar.andersson@sociology.su.se).

Time and Venue:

The workshop will be held July, 2nd and 3rd 2009 in Berlin.

Financial Support:

Travel expenses and hotel accommodation will be paid by the workshop organizers.