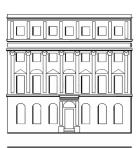
International Conference

# The Global Knowledge of Economic Inequality

# The Measurement of Income and Wealth Distribution

## since 1945

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# Thursday, 15 November

1.30 pm Registration

2 pm Welcome and introduction

2.30 pm Panel I: Theory and Construction of Inequality Statistics

Chair: Martin Daunton (Cambridge)

Jean-Yves Tizot (Grenoble) Whither the Bad Gini of Inequality Metrics?

Steven Pressman (Colorado) From the German Historical School to Mollie Orshansky and

Beyond: The US Poverty Measure

4 pm Coffee Break

4.30 pm Panel I ctd.

Hagen Krämer (Karlsruhe) Bowley's Law and its Consequences: How the Questionable

Idea of the Stability of the Wage Share Shaped Modern

**Distributional Theories** 

Florence Jany-Catrice (Lille) The Social Construction of Inflation and its Impact on

Inequality

6 pm Break

## 6.15-7.30 pm Keynote Lecture

Timothy Smeeding (Wisconsin-Madison)

The History of Measurements in Economic

Inequality since 1945

8pm Dinner at Restaurant (TAS, Bloomsbury)

# Friday, 16 November

## 9.00 am Panel II: The Politics of Measurement

Chair: Florence Sutcliffe-Braithwaite (London)

Jim Tomlinson (Glasgow) From Morals to Measurement? Social Democracy and Economic

Inequality in Britain from Tawney to Atkinson

Felix Römer (London) The Measurement of Inequality in Britain and the World since 1945

10.30 am Coffee Break

10.45 am Panel II ctd.

Poornima Paidipaty (Cambridge) The Measurement of Inequality in Nehruvian India

Christoph Lorke (Münster) The Measurement of Inequality in GDR and State Socialism

Grace Davie (New York) Poverty Knowledge in South Africa in the Twentieth Century

#### 1 pm Lunch break

# 2 pm Panel III: Dissemination and Discourse on Inequality Statistics

Chair: Mary Morgan (London)

Shuxi Yin (Hefei) Inequality in China's Political Discourse

Yury Nikiforov (Yaroslavl) The Textual and Visual Representation of Inequality, Income and

Wealth Statistics in the Context of the Cold War

## 3.30 pm Coffee Break

## 4 pm Panel IV: The Measurement of Wealth

Chair: Martin Chick (Edinburgh)

Frank Stilwell (Sydney) 'Don't let get facts in the way of a good myth': the Measurement of

the Distribution of Wealth in Australia

Thilo Albers (London) German Wealth Inequality in the Long Run

#### 5.30 Coffee Break

# 5.45-7.00 pm: Keynote Lecture

Mike Savage (London) Sociological Approaches to Economic Inequality

# 7 pm Conference Dinner

# Saturday, 17 November

9.30am Panel V: Global Inequality

Chair: Daniel Speich Chassé (Lucerne)

Pedro Ramos Pinto (Cambridge) Global Inequality by Numbers: the Making of a Global

Political Issue

Mary Morgan (London) Measuring Difference, Measuring Everything: the UN's

Development Agenda

11am Coffee Break

11.30 am Panel V ctd.

Stephen Macekura (Indiana) Searching for a New Yardstick: International Development,

Economic Measurement and Inequality in the 1970s

Federico Pachetti (Hong Kong) Fighting Economic Inequality with Chinese or Western

Ideas? China and the World Bank, 1980-89

## 1.00-1.30 pm Concluding discussion