The Individual and the State: One Century of Life Histories in Europe

SHARE is a large-scale social science project concerned with the lives of women and men aged 50+ across Europe. The first two rounds of the survey in 2004 and 2006 were devoted to the present living conditions of 45,000 Europeans. In addition, the third round (SHARELIFE) in 2008-09 collected information on the complete life history of each participant, their health from childhood to present, career developments, family, housing and retirement decisions. These unique data enable researchers to step into an entirely new and most important field of demographic research: It is finally possible to assess how early living conditions influence later life outcomes and how social policies affect individual decisions in life.

SHARE will officially launch these new SHARELIFE data and report initial results on November 24th, 2010 at the Representation of the State Baden-Wuerttemberg to the European Union in Brussels.

We cordially invite you to join this event. Please let us know until November 1st if you plan to participate (e-mail to schneider@mea.uni-mannheim.de).

AGENDA

10:00 Welcome: Representative of the State Baden-Wuerttemberg (tba)
10:15 DG Research: Director General Robert-Jan Smits
10:30 Highlights of First Findings: Prof. Axel Börsch-Supan, Ph.D.
11:00 DG Employment, Social Protection and Integration: Director Georg Fischer
11:15 DG Sanco, Public Health: Director Dr. Andrzej Rys
11:30 Pictures/Interviews

12:00 Lunch and
Poster Presentations by CESSDA, ELSA, ESS, LEPAS, RECWOWE et al. (tba)

13:30 Introduction to SHARELIFE: Dr. Martina Brandt
14:00 Income, Housing and Wealth: Prof. Guglielmo Weber, Ph.D.
14:30 Health and Employment: Mathis Schröder, Ph.D.
15:00 Work and Retirement I: Prof. Agar Brugiavini, Ph.D.
15:15 Work and Retirement II: Prof. Dr. Johannes Siegrist and Dr. Morten Wahrendorf
15:30 Health Care Utilisation in Europe: Nicolas Sirven, Ph.D.
16:00 Histories of War: Radim Bohacek, Ph.D. and Michal Myck, Ph.D.
16:30 Questions

For more information about SHARELIFE please visit our website www.share-project.org/sharelife.