Press Information and Invitation to the SHARE Wave 4 Book Launch

Active Ageing & Solidarity between Generations in Europe
First Results from SHARE after the Economic Crisis

Europe faces great economic and social challenges for the coming decades. The motto of the European Year 2012 “Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations” points to challenges exacerbated by the recent economic crisis: Will we have to work longer and pay more taxes? Will the current austerity measures worsen health and longevity? Will our societies adapt without jeopardizing intergenerational cohesion? SHARE – the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe – is a European policy device and provides much-needed evidence during these turbulent times.

The new open access book “Active Ageing and Solidarity between Generations in Europe – First Results from SHARE after the Economic Crisis” is based on the most recent wave of the SHARE data collected in 2010/2011 and encompasses a unique examination of the various influences that the recent economic crisis had on the lives of people aged fifty and over in 16 European countries. Its main purpose is to provide scientific evidence of what has changed in the activities and life circumstances of older Europeans since the crisis has begun, and how it has affected intergenerational solidarity. More than thirty multidisciplinary papers assess the influences of the crisis on income, wealth and consumption; challenges at the end of working life for active and healthy ageing; and social networks and intergenerational solidarity across the life course. The book sheds light on Europe’s most pressing questions.

The official data and book publication will be celebrated June 27, 2013 (10:00-17:00) at the University Foundation in Brussels. Guest speakers include high-level representatives by the European Commission’s DG Research & Innovation, DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion and DG Health & Consumers as well as the German Ministry of Education and Research and the Max Planck Society.

Please contact Stephanie Lasson (lasson@mea.mpisoc.mpg.de) to register before June 15, 2013 using the enclosed form. Visit our event news at www.share-project.org for updates.
SHARE W4 Key Results

10.00 - 10.30 Coffee
10.30 - 10.45 Prof. Axel Börsch-Supan, Ph.D.
Introduction to SHARE-ERIC
10.45 - 11.00 Dr. Martina Brandt & Dr. Frederic Malter
SHARE wave 4 overview
11.00 - 11.15 Dr. Maja Adena & Michał Myck, Ph.D.
Poverty and transitions in key areas of quality of life
11.15 - 11.30 János Divényi & Prof. Gábor Kézdi, Ph.D.
Low employment among the 50+ population in Hungary: the role of incentives, health and cognitive capacities
11.30 - 11.45 Dr. Tabea Bucher-Koenen & Fabrizio Mazzonna, Ph.D.
The recent economic crisis and old age health in Europe
11.45 - 12.00 Prof. Agar Brugiavini, Ph.D. & Giacomo Pasini, Ph.D.
Grandchild care and the receipt of help at older ages
12.00 - 12.15 Georg Fischer
DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion,
Director for Analysis, Evaluation, External Relations
12.15 - 13.30 Lunch
with poster presentations by partner projects

Official SHARE W4 Book Release

13.30 – 13.45 Dr. Dietrich Nelle
German Federal Ministry of Education and Research, Head of Directorate
13.45 – 14.00 Prof. Axel Börsch-Supan, Ph.D.
MEA, MPISOC, Director and SHARE Coordinator
14.00 – 14.15 Dr. Ludwig Kronthaler
Max Planck Society, Secretary General
14.15 – 14.45 Dr. Robert-Jan Smits
DG Research & Innovation, Director General
14.45 - 15.15 Coffee
15.15 – 15.30 Stefan Schreck
DG Health & Consumers, Head of Unit for Health Information
15.30 – 15.45 Marianne van den Berg, Ph.D.
European Innovation Partnership on Active and Healthy Ageing,
Policy Analyst Innovation for Health & Consumers
15.45 - 16.00 Prof. Axel Börsch-Supan, Ph.D.
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REGISTRATION FORM

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