

BELGIAN DAY FOR LABOUR ECONOMISTS

5th of May 2017

Université catholique de Louvain (UCLouvain)

Institut de Recherches Economiques et Sociales (IRES)

Collège Thomas MORE, Place Montesquieu 2, 1348 Louvain-la-Neuve

09:00-09:30 **Registration** (Entrance hall)

09:30-11:00 **Parallel Session 1**

Education and Training Policies
(Room More 57)

Fritz Schiltz (University of Leuven): The effect of information shocks in primary schools. Evidence from a quasi-experimental study (*with Kristof De Witte*)

Joris Ghysels (Maastricht University): The effect of summer schools on grade retention in Dutch secondary education: A regression discontinuity approach (*with Carla Haelermans, Mélanie Monfrance and Iryna Rud*)

Didier Fouarge (Maastricht University): Why do some workers never participate in training? (*with Zafer Büyükkeçeci and Andries de Grip*)

Unemployment
(Room More 72)

Céline Piton (ULBrussels): The unemployment impact of product and labour market regulation: Evidence from European countries

Yves Saks (National Bank of Belgium): Socio-economic transitions on the labour markets: a European benchmarking exercise

Eva Van Belle (UGent): Why is unemployment duration a sorting criterion in hiring? (*with Ralf Caers, Valentina Di Stasio and Stijn Baert*)

11:00-11:30 **Coffee Break** (Entrance hall)

11:30-12:30 **Parallel Session 2**

Labour Supply
(Room More 57)

Marion Collewet (UCLouvain): Measuring labour supply preferences using hypothetical questions (*with Lex Borghans*)

Lieze Sohier (UGent): Involuntary employment and working conditions (*with Elsy Verhofstadt and Luc Van Ootegem*)

Migration and Demography
(Room More 72)

Arnaud Herault (University of Angers): Occupational choices and network effects: Evidence from France (*with Eva Moreno-Galbis and François-Charles Wolff*)

Dalal Moosa (UCLouvain): The demographic boom and the rise of informal employment: The case for Egypt (*with Bruno Van der Linden*)

12:30-13:30

Lunch (Lounge, Collège Dupriez, Place Montesquieu 3)

13:30-15:00

Parallel Session 3

Education and labor market outcomes
(Room More 57)

Sofia Maier (University of Antwerp):
Safe ports for all? Schooling responses
to jobless times in Europe (*with*
Sunčica Vujić)

Deni Mazrekaj (KULeuven): Forced to
stay in school: Does it pay off? Private
returns to vocational education in the
Netherlands (*with Sofie Cabus*)

Brecht Neyt (UGent): Student work,
educational achievement and later
employment: A dynamic approach
(*with Stijn Baert, Eddy Omey and*
Dieter Verhaest)

Labor Demand
(Room More 72)

**Françoise Delmez (University of
Namur):** Are we working too much or
too little? (*with Vincent*
Vandenberghe)

Aron Kiss (European Commission):
Statutory minimum wages in the EU:
Institutional settings and
macroeconomic implications (*with*
Alfonso Arpaia, Pedro Cardoso, Kristine
Van Herck and Anneleen Vandeplass)

15:00-15:30

Coffee Break (Entrance hall)

15:30-17:00

Keynote (Room More 52)

David Neumark (University of California-Irvine)

Preliminary Studies of the Long-Run Effects of Anti-Poverty Policies

LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Muriel Dejemeppe (IRES-UCLouvain) and Bruno Van der Linden (IRES-UCLouvain & FNRS).

SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

Bart Cockx (UGent), William Parienté (UCLouvain), Ilan Tojerow (ULBrussels), Dieter Verhaest (KULeuven), Vincent Vandenberghe (UCLouvain) and Sunčica Vujić (University of Antwerp).