Population-level fertility research: State of the art
The 2nd Human Fertility Database Symposium

23-24 June 2016

Venue:
WissenschaftsForum, Berlin

Call for Papers

The Human Fertility Data Project team invites contributions to the 2nd HFD Symposium on “Population-level fertility research: State of the art”.

The objectives of the Symposium is to present and promote research on fertility changes and their determinants — primarily based on the Human Fertility Database (HFD) and the Human Fertility Collection (HFC). The Symposium also aims to discuss methodological challenges associated with producing and analysing population-level fertility data. In addition to the scientific programme, we invite participants to provide feedback and suggestions on the HFD and the HFC contents, methods and setup, and the directions of its further development.

Paper proposals

Empirical and methodological papers are equally welcome. Topics of the Symposium include, but are not limited to, the following research areas:

- Population heterogeneity and aggregate measures
- Data and methods in population-level fertility research
- Measuring fertility level and timing: new data, new approaches
- Fertility modelling and forecasting
- Fertility across time and space
- Low and very low fertility
- Fertility responses to economic and other shocks
- Global fertility change
- Fertility differentials by social status, education, gender, ethnicity, migration status, religion, and other characteristics
- Determinants of fertility change and variation
- Cohort fertility change and parity distribution
- Childlessness

The opening talks will be given by

Mikko Myrskylä (Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock)
Joshua R. Goldstein (University of California at Berkeley)
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If you are interested in contributing to the 2nd HFD Symposium, please send your abstract or draft paper to the HFD (info@humanfertility.org) with CC to Aiva Jasiliioniene (Jasiliioniene@demogr.mpg.de) by 23 February 2016. Please make sure that to include: the provisional title, the full name(s) of each author, the affiliation (full name of organization and department), and the e-mail address(es). Applicants will be notified if their paper has been accepted by 15 March 2016.

Place and date of the seminar

The Symposium is scheduled for 23-24 June 2016. It will take place at the WissenschaftsForum at Gendarmenmarkt in Berlin, where an office of the Max Planck Society is located. The full address is Wissenschaftsforum, Markgrafenstrasse 37, 10117 Berlin.

There are no participation fees, but the participants are expected to cover their own travel and accommodation expenses.

About the HFD Project

The Human Fertility Data Project is a joint project of the Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) and the Vienna Institute of Demography (VID), aiming to provide free and user-friendly access to a variety of fertility data. The Project consists of two companion databases, based at the MPIDR in Rostock, Germany: the Human Fertility Database (www.humanfertility.org) and the Human Fertility Collection (www.fertilitydata.org).

The 1st HFD symposium was held in Rostock in 2011. Brief information about this event can be found at http://www.humanfertility.org/cgi-bin/symposium.php.

Contact

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