### WPEG2009 - PROGRAMME

All sessions will take place in the Law and Social Sciences Building, University Park.

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MONDAY 13 JULY

13.45-15.00: Welcome and Plenary 1 (B63)

Professor David Bell (Stirling)
Title "What should be done about rising unemployment in the UK?"

Chair: Shaun Butcher (DWP)

15.00-15.30: Tea

15.30-16.30: Parallel sessions A

Session A1: Training and Work-sharing (A2)

Francesco Arzilli (Commission Implementation Analysis Team)
General Training Investment in a Matching Model of Labour Market: Empirical Evidence from the QLFS

Martyn Andrews (Manchester), Hans-Dieter Gerner, Thorsten Schank and Richard Upward
The employment effects of longer working hours in Germany

Session A2: Schools quality (A3)

Simon Burgess, Ellen Greaves (CMPO, Bristol), Anna Vignoles and Deborah Wilson
An Economic Analysis of Parental Choice of Primary School in England

Stephen Gibbons, Stephen Machin (UCL and LSE) and Olmo Silva
Valuing School Quality Using Boundary Discontinuities

Session A3: Institutional wage setting (A4)

Tim Butcher and Jessie Evans (Low Pay Commission)
Recommending the National Minimum Wage Rates for October 2009 and Beyond

Steve Palmer (Office for Manpower Economics)
Shall I compare thee to a summer's day? Pay comparability and public sector workers

Session A4: Immigrants and employment (B63)

Delia Furtado and Nikos Theodoropoulos (University of Cyprus)
Intermarriage and Immigrant Employment: The Role of Networks

Francesco Fasani (UCL and CReAM)
Undocumented migrants and labor demand shocks: an empirical analysis of deportations
16.30-17.30: Parallel sessions B

Session B1: EU wage setting (A2)

Philip Du Caju, Erwan Gautier, **Daphne Momferatou** (ECB) and Melanie Ward-Warmedinger
Institutional Features of Wage bargaining in 23 European countries, the US and Japan

**Véronique Genre** (ECB), Karsten Kohn and Daphne Momferatou
Understanding inter-industry wage structure in the euro area

Session B2: Worklessness (A3)

**Lindsey Macmillan** (CMPO, University of Bristol)
The Intergenerational Transmission of Worklessness in the UK

Ian Walker and **Yu Zhu** (University of Kent)
The Causal Effect of Teen Motherhood on Worklessness

Session B3: Labour market theory (A4)

**Mark Roberts** (University of Nottingham)
Pareto-improving pension reform through technological innovation

**Gaia Garino** (University of Leicester)
A dynamic modelling of labour turnover

17.30 Registration

18.30 Bar open, Portland Building Ballroom (top floor)

19.00 Dinner, Portland Building Ballroom (top floor)
TUESDAY 14 JULY

09.00-11.00: Parallel sessions C

Session C1: Spatial influences on education and labour market outcomes (A2)

Philip Ball (University of Nottingham) and Ralf Wilke
Job seeker's allowance in Great Britain: How does the regional labour market affect the duration until job finding

Peter Dolton, Chiara Rosazza-Bondibene (Royal Holloway) and Jonathan Wadsworth
The Geography of the Minimum Wage

Stephen Gibbons (LSE) and Anna Vignoles
Access, Choice and Participation in Higher Education

Andy Dickerson and Steve McIntosh (University of Sheffield)
Post-16 Education Choices in Rural Areas

Session C2: Labour market outcomes for mothers (A3)

Zeenat Soobedar (Queen Mary)
Income Support Age Eligibility Effects on Single Mothers’ Labour Supply in the UK

Asako Ohinata (University of Warwick)
Did the US infertility insurance mandates affect the time to birth?

Jenny Willson (University of Sheffield)
Moving to part time employment after childbirth; what are the labour market implications?

Session C3: Economics of languages (A4)

Javier Ortega (City) and Gregory Verdugo
Language assimilation in bilingual cities

Augusto Rupérez Micola, Arturo Bris and Albert Banal-Estañol (City)
TV or not TV? Subtitling and English skills

Ramon Caminal (Barcelona)
Markets and linguistic diversity

Jan Fidrmuc (Brunel) and Jarko Fidrmuc
Foreign Languages and Trade

11.00-11.30: Coffee

11.30-12.30: Plenary 2 (B63)

Professor Ian Walker (Lancaster)
Title “Everything you ever wanted to know about the returns to education – almost!”

Chair: Richard Upward (Nottingham)

12.30-14.00: Lunch
14.00-15.30: Parallel sessions D

Session D1: Ageing and the labour market (A2)

Michael P. Kidd, Renuka Metcalfe (Swansea) and Peter J. Sloane
The Determinants of Hiring Older Workers in Britain Revisited: An Analysis using WERS 2004

Mary O'Mahony and Fei Peng (University of Birmingham)
Skill Bias, Age and Organisational Change

Andrew Jones, Nigel Rice and Jenny Roberts (Sheffield)
Early retirement in Britain and Germany: How important is health?

Session D2: Wage setting (A3)

Wendy Olsen (University of Manchester), Vanessa Gash, Leen Vandecasteele, Pierre Walthery, and Hein Heuvelman
The gender pay gap in the UK 1995-2007

Wen Wang (UEA)
Human capital, Tenure, or Guanxi: Compensation in a Private Firm in China

Sarah Brown (University of Sheffield) and Karl Taylor
Reservation wages, expected wages and the duration of unemployment: Evidence from British panel data

Session D3: Globalisation and trade (A4)

Sara Lemos (University of Leicester) and Jonathan Portes
New Labour? The Impact of Migration from Central and Eastern European Countries on the UK Labour Market

Alex Hijzen, Mauro Pisu, Richard Upward (University of Nottingham) and Peter Wright
Employment, Job Turnover and Trade in Producer Services: Firm-Level Evidence

Nicholas Bloom, Mirko Draca (CEP and UCL) and John Van Reenen
Trade induced technical change? The impact of Chinese imports on innovation and Information Technology

15.30-16.00: Tea

16.00-17.00: Plenary 3 (B63)

Professor Andrea Ichino (Bologna)
Title “Don't spread yourself too thin: Parallel working and the risk of overwhelm”

Chair: Andy Dickerson (Sheffield)
17.00-19.00: Recreation: Football/walk

19.30 Reception, Staff Club

20.00 Conference Dinner, Staff Club
WEDNESDAY 15 JULY

09.00-10.30: Parallel sessions E

Session E1: Well-being (A2)

Francis Green (University of Kent)
Well-Being, Job Satisfaction and Labour Mobility: A Validation Study.

Getinet Haile (PSI)
Workplace Disability Diversity and Job-related Well-being in Britain: a WERS2004 based analysis

Hugh Gravelle, Arne Risa Hole (Sheffield) and Iftekher Hossain
Response Bias in Job Satisfaction Surveys: English General Practitioners

Session E2: Short term jobs (A3)

Domenico Tabasso (University of Essex)
Temporary Contracts and Monopsony Power in the UK Labour Market

Colin Green (University of Lancaster)
Short Term Gain, Long Term Pain. The Effect of Informal Job Search Methods on Post-Displacement Outcomes

John Heywood, Stan Siebert (University of Birmingham) and Xiangdong Wei
Estimating the Use of Agency Workers: Can Family-Friendly Practices Reduce Their Use?

Session E3: Sports labour markets (A4)

David Forrest, Juan de Dios Tena (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid) and I Sanz
Impact of importing foreign talent on performance levels of local co-workers

Bernd Frick (University of Paderborn) and Christian Deutscher
Player remuneration in European football

Alex Bryson (NIESR), Bernd Frick and Rob Simmons
The returns to scarce talent: footedness and player remuneration in European soccer

Session E4: Migration (A4)

Cinzia Rienzo (Royal Holloway)
Immigration, Wage Inequality and unobservable skills in the US and the UK

Corrado Giulietti (University of Southampton)
Immigration and its Displacement Effects across Local Labour Markets

Sayema Bidisha (University of Nottingham)
Intergenerational earnings mobility of immigrants and ethnic minorities in the UK

10.30-11.00: Coffee
11.00-12.30: Parallel sessions F

Session F1: Higher Education (A2)

Franz Buscha, Paul L. Latreille and Peter Urwin (CER, Westminster)
Undergraduate Economics in UK Higher Education: a Review

Ray Bachan (Brighton)
The Gender Dimension of Student Degree Performance in a ‘New’ UK University

Giorgio Di Pietro (Westminster)
The Impact of the Academic Calendar on Student Performance: Evidence from the UK

Session F2: Schools and the well-being of children (A3)

Marcello Sartarelli (IoE)
Do achievement labels affect the well-being of children? Evidence from discontinuities in test scores

Amy Challen (CEP) and Stephen Machin
Building Resilience and Preventing Depression Amongst Schoolchildren

Yuxin Li and Karen Mumford (University of York)
Aspirations, Expectations and Education Outcomes for Children in Britain: Considering Relative Measures of Family Efficiency

Session F3: HPWP and HRM (A4)

John Sutherland (Glasgow)
The Search for the ‘Silver Bullet’: Labour Related Indicators of Workplace Performance and Labour Management Policies

Mike Nolan (Hull)
Organising the Workload of Individual Workers: The Effects of a Workload Mode

Sarah Brown, Robert McNabb and Karl Taylor (Sheffield)
Workplace performance, worker commitment and loyalty

12.30- Lunch and departure