





The Decline of the Middle Classes Around the World?

Segovia, Spain September 28–30, 2014 Conference Website

Conference Program

Sunday, September 28

2:00 pm – 10:00 pm Shuttle service from Segovia AVE station to the Parador La Granja

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7:30 pm Opening ceremony followed by a cocktail reception

Welcoming Remarks

Francisco Vázquez, President of Diputación de Segovia; Chairman of the Board of the UNED Associated Center of Segovia

Clara Luquero, Mayor of Segovia; Vice-Chairman of the Board of the UNED Associated Center of Segovia

José Luis Vázquez, Mayor of Real Sitio de San Ildefonso

Douglas Besharov, Norman & Florence Brody Professor, School of Public Policy, University of Maryland, Co-chair APPAM 2014 International Conference **Antonio López Peláez**, Professor of Social Work and Social Services, Department of Social Work and Social Services, Department of Social Work and Social Services (Social Work and Social Services).

Social Work, Faculty of Law, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia; Cochair APPAM 2014 International Conference

Monday, September 29

7:00 am – 8:45 am *Breakfast*

8:15 am – 8:45 am | Registration

8:45 am – 9:00 am Plenary Session

Welcoming Remarks

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Keynote Addresses

José Antonio Martínez Alvarez, General Director of Fiscal Studies Institute, Madrid, "Has the recession caused the decline of the middle class in Spain? A comparative study with other European countries"

Amitai Etzioni, University Professor and Professor of International Affairs; Director, Institute for Communitarian Policy Studies, Elliott School of International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington, D.C., "The social and political consequences of the coming big disruption: The second digital revolution" B. Venkatesh Kumar, Professor and Chairperson, Centre for Public Policy and Governance, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, "Aspirational middle class, neoliberalism, and democratic politics in India"

10:30 am – 10:50 am

Coffee Break

10:50 am - 12:40 pm

Plenary Session

The Middle Class: Who are they, where did they go, and why does it matter?

David Johnson, Chief Economist, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis: Moderator **Marco Mira d'Ercole**, Head of the Division for Household Statistics and Progress Measurement, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development **Brian Nolan**, Director of Employment, Equity and Growth Programme and Professor of Social Policy at the Department of Social Policy and Intervention, Oxford University

Sagrario Segado Sánchez-Cabezudo, Director, Gregorio Marañon Center, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia; English editor, *Comunitania: International Journal of Social Work and Social Sciences*

Timothy Smeeding, Director of the Institute for Research on Poverty; Arts and Sciences Distinguished Professor of Public Affairs, University of Wisconsin

12:45 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch

1:15 pm - 2:00 pm

Poster Session 1

2:00 pm - 3:50 pm

Parallel Session 1

3:50 pm - 4:10 pm

Coffee Break

4:10 pm - 6:00 pm

Parallel Session 2

6:15 pm – 8:15 pm

City tour of Segovia by bus

Tuesday, September 30

7:00 am - 9:00 am

Breakfast

9:00 am - 10:30 am

Plenary Session

Keynote Address

Robert Strauss, Head of Unit, European Employment Strategy, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Equal Opportunities, European Commission, "What sort of employment for the middle classes in Europe?"

Dimitris Kyriakou, Chief Economist, European Commission's Institute for Prospective Technological Studies, "A rude awakening for the middle class: systemic features of the debt crisis in the eurozone and the road(s) ahead" Antonio López Peláez, Professor, Universidad Nacional de Educación a Distancia; Editor, Comunitania: International Journal of Social Work and Social Science, "Labor, health and middle classes: Do young Spaniards have to jeopardize their health to find a job?"

10:30 am - 10:50 am

Coffee Break

10:50 am - 12:40 pm

Plenary Session

Skills That Matter: What skills will be needed in the future (and how should we measure them)?

Moderator: *Ariel Fiszbein*, Program Director, Inter-American Dialogue *Arup Banerji*, Senior Director for Social Protection and Labor, World Bank *Paul Decker*, President and CEO, Mathematica Policy Research

Robert Lerman, Professor, Department of Economics, American University;

Institute Fellow, Urban Institute

Carmen Pagés-Serra, Chief of the Labor Markets and Social Security Unit, Inter-American Development Bank

12:45 pm – 2:00 pm

Lunch

1:15 pm - 2:00 pm

Poster Session 2

2:00 pm - 3:50 pm

Parallel Session 3

3:50 pm - 4:10 pm

Coffee Break

4:10 pm – 6:00 pm

Parallel Session 4

6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Free visit to La Granja de San Ildefonso Gardens

9:00 pm - 10:30 pm

Gala Dinner

Wednesday, October 1

7:00 am – 9:00 am *Breakfast*

7:00 am – 12:00 pm | Shuttle service from the Parador La Granja to the Segovia AVE station

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| | Monday, Septemb | er 29, 2:00-3:50 pm | |
| Panel 1.1: The decline of the middle class (Alhajas 3) | Panel 1.2: Informing an Educational Equity Agenda: The Instructional Pipeline from Schools to Teachers to Students (Canonigos 2) | Panel 1.3: Safety Net in a Time of High Unemployment (Musicos 4) | Panel 1.4: The Future of Workforce Development Programs in Latin America (Las 8 Calles) |
| Chair: TJ Lah, Yonsei University | Chair: David Blazar, Harvard University | Chair: Kenneth Couch, University of Connecticut | Chair: Ariel Fiszbein, Inter-American Dialogue |
| Male Earnings Inequality and Female Marital Outcomes: Evidence from India | The Effect of High Quality Elementary Instruction on Student's Non- Cognitive Outcomes | Scraping By: Income and Program Participation after the Loss of Extended Unemployment Benefits | José Ramón Perea, OECD Development Centre |
| Sinduja V. Srinivasan , Pardee RAND Graduate School; A.V. Chairi, University of Sussex; and Annemie Maertens, University of Sussex | David Blazar, Harvard University | Robert G. Valletta, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco; and Jesse Rothstein, University of California, Berkeley | Silvia Montoya, Director General for Education Evaluation, Buenos Aires Carmen Pagés-Serra, Inter-American |
| In Transit: The Well-Being of Migrants from Transition and Post-Transition Countries Milena Nikolova, IZA and Brookings Institution; and Carol Graham, Brookings Institution and University of Maryland | Learning Lessons from Instruction: Results from an Observational Study of U.S. Elementary Classrooms Heather C. Hill, Erica Litke, Cynthia Pollard, Katherine Lynch, and Barbara Gilbert, Harvard University | Automatic Stabilizers in the EU during the Great Recession Christian Wittneben, Mathias Dolls, Clemens Fuest, and Andreas Peichel, Centre for European Economic Research | Development Bank Germán Ríos, Banco de Desarrollo de América Latina, CAF Alexandria Valerio, World Bank |
| Measurement and Characterization of the Middle Class in Latin America | Using a Dynamic Approach to School Improvement: Promoting Quality and Equity in Education | Comparing earnings and income redistribution in OECD countries over the great recession: Who weathered the storm? | |
| Maria Fernanda Cortes, Econometría Consultores; and Nancy Aireth Daza Báez, Departamento Nacional de Planeación | Leonidas Kyriakides , Charalambos Y. Charalambous and Evi Charalambous, University of Cyprus | Katie Baird, University of Washington, Tacoma | |
| Stuck in the Middle: Recession, Vulnerability and Disillusionment | | The Disappearance of the Middle Class in America: Evidence from Overwhelmed Community Non-Profits | |
| Soumya Chattopadhyay, Brookings Institution | | Maureen Berner, University of North Carolina; and Ben Chambers, City of San Antonio | |

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| \mathbf{Mo} | onday, September 29, 2:00-3:50 | pm |
| Panel 1.5: The Middle Class in the United States (Las 3 Gracias) | Panel 1.6 The Effects of Debt (Canastillo) | Panel 1.7: Movilidad social y clases medias (Spanish language) (Los Oficios 6) |
| Chair: Timothy Smeeding, University of Wisconsin | Chair: David Myers, American Institutes for Research | Chair: Ignasi Brunet Icart, Universidad Rovira i Virgili |
| The Income Dynamics of U.S. Middle-Class Households from the Mid-1990s to 2012 | Do Debts Harm Your Health? A Follow-up Study of Individuals Who Were Over- Indebted During the Recession of the 1990's | Innovación, Clases Medias Y Ocupaciones Creativas. El Caso De Los Diseñadores Gráficos |
| John J. Hisnanick, U.S. Census Bureau | Heikki Hiilamo, University of Helsinki; Jenni Blomgren, Social Insurance Institute of Finland; and Nico Maunula, Social Insurance Institute of Finland | Ignasi Brunet Icart , Universidad Rovira i Virgili |
| The Shrinking Middle: Changes in the Composition of the Middle Class in the United States, 1967-2013 | Private Debt, Public Virtues | El Papel Del Sector Público En El Declive De La Clase Media Europea: El Caso Español |
| Laryssa Mykyta, U.S. Census Bureau | Martino Comelli, SciencesPo | Maria Crespo, Universidad de Alcalá |
| Marriage Matters: Family Structure and the Decline of the Middle Class | Capitalism, Consumer Debt and Social Policy: A Theoretical and Empirical Examination | Estructura Social De La Clase Media En La Argentina (1976-2010) |
| Wade Horn, Deloitte | Mary E.A. Caplan, University of Georgia | N Sacco, Universidad de Buenos Aires |
| Soft Skills Needed for Entering the Middle Class | Political Reform and Consumer Debt: The 'Emerging Middle' in Mexico and Jordan | Crisis formativa, educación a distancia y las iniciativas para el desarrollo de la trayectoria laboral en la educación superior. |
| Arnold Packer, SCANS; and Robert I. Lerman , American University and Urban Institute | Lisa Singleton, Columbia University | Carmen G. Casas Ratia, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México |
| | | La neceisdad de un cambio estructural para transformar la ciudadania Antonia Picornell-Lopez, Universidad de Salamanca |

| | Panel S | ession 2 | |
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| | Monday, Septembe | er 29, 4:10-6:00 pm | |
| Panel 2.1 Immigrants in Public and Adult Education (Alhajas 3) | Panel 2.2 Higher Education (Canonigos 2) | Panel 2.3 Programs to Increase Labor Force Participation (Musicos 4) | Panel 2.4 Political and Social Structure of the Middle Class (Las 8 Calles) |
| Chair: Andres Arias Astray, Universidad Complutense de Madrid | Chair: Sean Tanner, University of California, Berkeley | Chair: Jason Turner, Secretary's Innovation Group | Chair: Maureen Berner, University of North Carolina |
| Are Patterns of Governance Changing? A Study of Immigration, Migrant Education, and Bilingual Education Policies in the US and the EU | Gains and Gaps: Changing Inequality in U.S. College Entry and Completion | The Role of Apprenticeship Systems in Rebuilding the Middle Class | Middle Class Evolving to Precariat: Labor Conditions for the 21st Century |
| Aleksandra Maria Malinowska and Laurence Lynn, University of Texas, Austin | Susan Dynarski, University of Michigan; and Martha J. Bailey, NBER | Robert I. Lerman, American University and Urban Institute | Andoni Alonso and David Alonso, Universidad Complutense de Madrid; Silvia Ferreira, Universidad de Porta |
| Immigrants in Public Education: A Closer Look at Cross-Generational Differences | The Economics of BA Ambivalence: The Case of California Higher Education | Two-Generation Strategies for Expanding the Middle Class | Politics of middle class growth and decline in advanced democracies |
| Umet Ozek , American Institutes for Research; and David Figlio, Northwestern University | Alan Benson, University of Minnesota – Twin Cities | Tara Smith and Rheagan Coffey, University of Texas, Austin | Young-hwan Byun, City University of New York |
| No Country for (Migrant) Children: The Great Recession and Multidimensional Disadvantage of Children in Spain | What Role do Public Universities Play in Educational Inequality? Evidence from North Carolina | K-99: Lifelong Learning in the New Knowledge Economy | Bourgeois Barricades: Frustrated Middle Class in Public Protests |
| Jesus Ruiz-Huerta and Rosa Martinez, Universidad Rey Juan Carlos | Helen F. Ladd, Duke University; Charles T. Clotfelter, Duke University; and Jacob L. Vigdor, University of Washington | Michelle LaPointe, La Pointe Evaluation & Analysis for Decisionmakers; and Jason Wingard, Goldman Sachs | Soumya Chattopadhyay , Brookings Institution |
| Harvesting Hardships in Florida: Educators' Views on the Challenges of Immigrant Migrant Students and Their Consequences on Education | Equal Education, Unequal Jobs: College Students with Disabilities | | Institutional Strength and Middleclass in Antiquity and Modern World: A Comparative Perspective |
| Katrin Kriz , Janese L. Free, and Jenny Konecnik, Emmanuel University | Saul Schwartz and Jennifer Stewart, Carleton University | | Carlos Felipe Amunategui Perello, Pontoifica Universidad Católica |
| The Intergenerational Transmission of Noncognitive Skills and Their Effect on Adult Education and Employment Gema Zamarro, University of Arkansas; and Ildefonso Mendez, University of Murcia | · | | The Effects of the Economic Crisis in the Political Culture of Elderly People: Spain as a Case Study Ainhoa Uribe-Otalora, San Pablo University |

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| Monday, September 29, 4:10-6:00 pm | | | |
| Panel 2.5 Effects of Inequality (Las 3 Gracias) | Panel 2.6 Wages/income (Canastillo) | Panel 2.7 Afecciones de las clases medias (Spanish language) (Los Oficios 6) | |
| Chair: David Johnson, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis | Chair: Rob Valletta, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco | Chair: Cristobal Torres, Universidad Autonoma de Madrid | |
| Does Rising Income Inequality Reduce Middle-Class Income Growth? | How Income Changes During Unemployment: Evidence from Tax Return Data | Percepción de la calidad de los servicios públicos y nuevas formas de financiación en tiempos de crisis | |
| Timothy Smeeding , University of Wisconsin | Sara LaLumia , Williams College; and Laura Kawano, U.S. Department of the Treasury | Inma López , Universidad Complutense de Madrid | |
| Middle Class Rising: Federal Policies in Post- World War Two United States | The Translation of Economic Growth into Decent Jobs: Post-1979 American Performance in International Perspective | Metodología y acompañamiento profesional en trabajo social: evidencias empíricas a través de la normativa de inclusión en España. | |
| Ruth Ellen Wasem, University of Texas | David R. Howell, The New School | Domingo Carbonero , Esther Raya Diez, and Neus Caparros Civera, Universidad de La Rioja | |
| US Social Policy in an Era of Middle Class Decline | Changing Trends in the Effect of Minimum Wage on Employment | Violencia social en México: su impacto en la seguridad ciudadana | |
| Katie Baird , University of Washington, Tacoma | Rafael Rivera Pastor, Iclaves SL | Aida Imelda Valero Chávez , Escuela Nacional de Trabajo Social, UNAM | |
| The Rise of Inequality, the Decline of the Middle Class, and Educational Outcomes | Efficient Minimum and Maximum Wages | Crisis Económica, Clases sociales y Usos Tecnológicos en España | |
| Greg Thorson, University of Redlands | Sang-Moon Hahm , KDI School of Public Policy and Management | Cristobal Torres , Universidad Autonoma de Madrid | |

| | Panel S | ession 3 | |
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| | Tuesday, Septembe | er 30, 2:00-3:50 pm | |
| Panel 3.1 Editors' panel (Alhajas 3) | Panel 3.2 Middle Class in the Developing World (Canonigos 2) | Panel 3.3 Accountability in Education (Musicos 4) | Panel 3.4 Public Assistance Programs for the Unemployed (Las 8 Calles) |
| Chair: Douglas Besharov, University of Maryland | Chair: Franziska Gassmann, Maastricht University | Chair: Helen Ladd, Duke University | Chair: Ruth Wasem, University of Texas |
| Kenneth Couch, University of Connecticut; editor, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management | Stabilizing Effects of Redistributive Policies: A Comparative Analysis | School Accountability and Labor- Market Outcomes in the United States | Measuring Capacity and Requiring Work: Disability Benefit Reform in Great Britain from the Perspective of the United States |
| Neil Gilbert, University of California, Berkeley; Chair, Editorial Board, International Journal of Social Welfare Traute Mayer, University of Southampton; Co-Editor, Journal of European Social Policy Timothy Smeeding, University of Wisconsin; Co-Editor, Poverty and Income Distribution and Income Assistance SIRN | Danielle Loustau-Williams , University of Pittsburgh | Sean Tanner , University of California, Berkeley | Zachary Morris , University of California, Berkeley |
| | The Impact of an Unconditional Cash Transfer on Early Childhood Development: The Zambia Child Grant Program | Student Aid, Student Behavior, and Educational Attainment | U.S. Trade Adjustment Assistance, Manufacturing Employee Displacement, Job Loss and Decrease in the Middle Class |
| | Leah Prencipe, David Seidenfeld, and Laura Hawkinson, American Institutes for Research; and Sudanshu Handa, University of North Carolina | Saul Schwartz , Carleton University; and Sandy Baum, George Washington University | Alejandro Góngora, Dennis M. Sawyers, Tessa Roscoe, Juan Acosta, Carnegie Mellon University |
| | Is there a Middle Class in Mexico? Middle Class and Public Agenda | Public Accountability Reforms and Higher Education | Immigrant Welfare Policy and the Ethnic Inequality of Welfare Participation - an Empirical Study in the American States |
| | Miguel Del Castillo Negrete Rovira and Carlos Martinez, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México | Paola Mattei, University of Oxford | Ling Zhu , University of Houston; and Ping Xu, Rhode Island University |
| | Investigating the Effect of Retrenchment on the Family and Society Rose Ogbechie, Pan Atlantic University | | The Decline of the Middle Class: The View from the Perspective of Occupational Health Emilio Diaz De Mera, UNED |

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| Tue | esday, September 30, 2:00-3:50 | pm |
| Panel 3.5 The Middle Class in East Asia (Las 3 Gracias) | Panel 3.6 Poverty and Well-Being (Canastillo) | Panel 3.7 Crisis económica y clases medias (Spanish language) (Los Oficios 6) |
| Chair: M. Jae Moon, Yonsei University | Chair: David Johnson, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis | Chair: Fernando de Lucas, Universidad Complutense de Madrid |
| The Shrinkage of Middle Classes in Japan? The Growing Labour Market Flexibility and Its Consequences for the Class Structure | Examining the Middle Class in the United States Using the Lens of the Supplemental Poverty Measure | Vivencias, Percepciones y Estrategias De Colectivos En Situación De Fragilidad: Estudio De Caso Sobre Mujeres Solas Con Cargas Familiares |
| Hirohisa Takenoshita, Sophia University | Trudi Renwick and Kathleen Short, U.S. Census Bureau | Pilar Parra and Lucila Finkel, Universidad Complutense de Madrid |
| Who's Middle Class? Subjective Perceptions of the Socially Skidded Middle Class Chen Hee Tam, SIM University | Quality of Life, Well-Being, and Social Policies in European Countries Angel Carrasco Campos and Luis Carlos Martínez Fernández, University of Valladolid | Crisis, Clases Sociales, Empleo y Educación En España Fernando de Lucas, Universidad Complutense de Madrid; and Sagrario Segado, Universidad Nacional de Educacion a Distancia |
| The Middle Class Racing Against the Machine? Technology and Middle-Class Unemployment in Hard Times | Wealth Inequality and Housing Condition Among Middle Classes in Italy | La Mediación Intercultural y Comunitaria Como Herramienta Para La Integración y Bienestar De La Ciudadanía |
| So Young Kim, KAIST | Joselle Dagnes and Luca Storti, University of Turin; and Marianna Filandri, University of Milan-Bicocca | Marta Blanco, University of Madrid |
| Comparative Analysis of Budgetary Program Evaluation in OECD Countries: With a Focus on Korean PART System | Are the House-Poor Really the Poor? Consumption Patterns and Behaviors of Korean House-Poor | Análisis de la oportunidades de participación en las políticas de bienestar social en el ámbito municipal de España. |
| T.J. Lah, Yonsei University | Jungsook Kim, Young Ho Eom, M. Jae Moon and Joungyoon Hwang, Yonsei University | Enrique Pastor Seller , Universidad de Murcia |
| | | La Edad y la Adopción: El convenio Europeo en materia de adopción de menores de 2008. Patricia López Peláez , UNED |

| | Panel S | ession 4 | |
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| | Tuesday, Septemb | er 30, 4:10-6:00 pm | |
| Panel 4.1 Evaluation of Education Programs and Systems (Alhajas 3) | Panel 4.2 Public Services (Canonigos 2) | Panel 4.3 Economic Crisis in Southern Europe (Musicos 4) | Panel 4.4 Households and Families (Las 8 Calles) |
| Chair: Rafael Rivera, Iclaves SL | Chair: Katrin Kriz, Emmanuel College | Chair: Fernando De Lucas, Universidad Complutense de Madrid | Chair: Wade Horn, Deloitte |
| Private School Choice for the Lower Middle Class: Initial Participant Effects of the Louisiana Scholarship Program | Child welfare workers' perceptions of children's participation: a comparative study of England, Norway and the United States | Economic Crisis and Austerity Policies in Portugal: Effects on the Middle Class | When College Youth Feel Poor: The Buffering Effects of Family Resilience and Social Resources |
| Jonathan Mills , Patrick Wolf and Jay Greene, University of Arkansas | Marit Skivenes, University of Bergen and Katrin Kriz, Emmanuel College | Pilar Gonzalez , Universidade do Porto; and António Figueiredo, Universidade do Porto, Quaternaire Portugal | Melissa Lopez Reyes and Isabella Regina C. Yujuico, De La Salle University |
| Economic Mobility in Rural Labor Markets: A Study of Public Schoolteachers | Physician Competition and Prices for Physician Services | The Collapse of the Middle Class in Greece during the Period of the Memoranda (2010-2014) | Romanian Family, Between Tradition and Economic Challenges as Illustration from Households Situated in Precarious Prosperity |
| Jacob Fowles , University of Kansas; and Joshua Cowen, Michigan State University | Anne Royalty, Indiana University- Purdue University, Indianapolis; and Laurence Baker and Kate Bundorf, Stanford University | Valia Aranitou, University of Crete | Ana Maria Preoteasa, Research Institute for Quality of Life; and Ionela Vlase, Lucian Blaga University of Sibiu |
| Research Design, Implementation and Results from a Remedial Reading and Writing Program | Courts in Crisis: Court Budgets Cut Access to Justice in California | Economic Crisis: Enhancing Good Regional Governance in the EU? | The Protective Effect of Families in Times of Economic Crisis in Southern Europe: The Case of Spain |
| Essam Assaad and Rebecca Stone, American Institutes for Research | Jose Preciado, Teresa Palmer, Terra Townsend, Cecilia White, and Millie Yan, California State University | Christina Kulich-Vamvakas and Petros Vamvakas, Emmanuel College | Almundena Moreno , University of Valladolid |
| Early Life Influences on Young Adult Financial Outcomes | Governing Crime or Governing through Crime? "Security Pacts" As a Policy Instrument in Italy (2007-2009) | | Do Remittances and Cash Transfers Have Different Impacts on Expenditure Patterns of Recipient Households? |
| Andrea H. Beller, Brent Roberts, and Jeffrey Brown, University of Illinois- Urbana; and Yilan Xu, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign | Marco Calaresu and Mauro Tebaldi, University of Sassari | | Fransika Gassman, Jennifer Waidler, and Melissa Segal, Masstricht University; and Jessica Hagen-Zanker, Overseas Development Institute |

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| Tue | esday, September 30, 4:10-6:00 | pm |
| Panel 4.5 Middle Class in Northern Europe (Las 3 Gracias) | Panel 4.6 Demographics of the Middle Class (Canastillo) | Panel 4.7 La crisis de las clases medias en España: perspectivas de análisis (Spanish language) (Los Oficios 6) |
| Chair: Heikki Hiilamo, University of Helsinki | Chair: Hector Diaz, Western Michigan University | Chair: José Félix Tezanos, GETS-UNED |
| Deindustrialization and Tertiarization and the Polarization of Household Incomes: The Example of German Agglomerations | Who is Who in the Middle Class | Tendencias de declive de las clases medias en contextos de crisis económica e incertidumbres políticas: el caso de España |
| Jan Goebel and Martin Gorning, German Institute for Economic Research | Itai Sened and Sagit Azari Vizel, Tel Aviv University | José Félix Tezanos, GETS-UNED |
| The Social Policies of Middle Class Households - Individual Risk Management Strategies in British Liberal Capitalism Traute Meyer, University of Southampton; and Jochen Clasen, University of Edinburgh | Labor Market and Fiscal Effects of the Demographic Transition in 27 EU Countries Eric Sommer, Mathias Dolls, and Karina Doorley, Centre for European Economic Research | La Reforma del Sistema Público de Pensiones del Gobierno Del Partido Popular en España: Sus Efectos Sobre el Bienestar Carlos Ochando, Universidad de Valencia. |
| Towards A Middle-Class Society? Raimo Blom, University of Tampere | Feminization of the Middle Class: Causes and Consequences Betty N. Morgan, Elon University | La crisis de las clases medias en España. Perspectivas de análisis Verónica Díaz y Pilar Gomiz, UNED |
| | Aging Single: How the Status of Being Single and Living Alone Influences the Psychological Well-Being and Wealth Decisions Among the Changing Black Middle Class | Los Procesos De Movilidad Social Descendente: Clases Medias y Sinhogarismo |
| | Kris Marsh and Philip N. Cohen, University of North Carolina; William A. Darity and Danielle Salters, Duke University; and Lynne M. Casper, University of Southern California | Iria Noa de la Fuente Roldán, Esteban Sánchez Moreno, María José Barahona, and Gomariz Complutense, Universidad Complutense de Madrid; and Darío Pérez Madera, Ayuntamiento de Madrid |
| | | Importing Poverty for the Catalonian Agriculture: The Case of Unió De Pagesos System Olga Achón, Universitat de Barcelona |