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Speakers



Helen Baykara-Krumme, Chemnitz University of Technology, Germany

Helen Baykara-Krumme received her Diploma in Sociology from the Free University of Berlin. She was a fellow of the International Max Planck Research School on the Life Course and completed her doctorate in 2007. Currently she is working as a Senior Researcher in the Department of Sociology at Chemnitz University of Technology. Her research interests include migration, family and aging.



Axel Börsch-Supan, Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy, Munich Center for the Economics of Aging (MEA) Munich, Germany

Axel Börsch-Supan, born 1954, studied Economics and Mathematics in Munich and Bonn. He holds a Ph.D. degree from M.I.T. (Advisor: Daniel McFadden) and was Assistant Professor of Public Policy at the JFK-School of Government at Harvard University. After two years as Professor of Economics at Dortmund University he became Professor of Macroeconomics and Economic Policy at the University of Mannheim in 1989. Since 2001 he was the founding and executive director of the Mannheim Research Institute for the Economics of Aging (MEA). He was chairman of the Council of Advisors to the German Economics Ministry, has co-chaired the German Pension Reform Commission, and was member of the German President's Commission on Demographic Change. He has served as a consultant to many governments, the OECD, the World Bank, among others. Börsch-Supan is Coordinator of SHARE (Survey of Health, Aging and Retirement in Europe). Since November 2010 Börsch-Supan has been a scientific member of the Max Planck Society and, since January 2011, director at the Max Planck Institute for Social Law and Social Policy. Börsch-Supan is a member of the German National Academy of Sciences, the Berlin-Brandenburg Academy of Sciences and the MacArthur Foundation Aging Societies Network.



Ricca Edmondson, National University of Ireland, Galway

Ricca Edmondson was born in South Africa and brought up in England. After studying philosophy and political thought at Lancaster and the theory of the social sciences at Oxford, where she wrote her D.Phil., she taught philosophy at universities in Berlin, also working as a translator. She then carried out sociological research at the Max Planck Institute for Human Development before coming to Ireland. Ricca Edmondson is currently working on

- The history and sociology of wisdom,
- Ageing, the life course and intergenerational relations
- Links between ethnography, rhetoric and interculturality

How do people think and feel about the roles played by wise processes in their life courses, relationships and political ideas? What impacts do their cultural and social surroundings have here? The thread linking questions like these is the topic of informal reasoning: how do human beings in everyday life make the arguments and reach the conclusions they do, especially in relation to what they see as the human condition? Researching this topic throws light on neglected but key aspects of how people make sense of their worlds. It can have important practical implications, and it connects strongly with issues concerning ageing, the life course and intergenerational relations, as well as with questions focusing on how people (mis-)understand those from different cultures.

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Karen L. Fingerman is a Professor of Human Development and Family Sciences at UT Austin. She studies adult development and old age. She has conducted research and published numerous scholarly articles on positive and negative emotions in relationships. Her work has examined parents and children, grandparents and grandchildren, friends, acquaintances, and peripheral social ties. The National Institute on Aging funded her work on problematic social ties across the lifespan and currently funds her research on middle-aged adults, their grown children and aging parents. The Brookdale Foundation, the MacArthur Transitions to Adulthood group and the MacArthur Foundation Research Network on an Aging Society also have funded her research. She received the Springer Award for Early Career Achievement in Research on Adult Development and Aging from Division 20 of the American Psychological Association in 1998 and the Margret Baltes Award for Early Career Achievement in Behavioral and Social Gerontology from the Gerontological Society of America in 1999.



Elizabeth Frankenberg, Duke University, USA

Elizabeth Frankenberg is a Professor within the Department of Public Policy Studies at Duke University, where she joined the faculty in 2007. She has also been an associate professor within the departments of Sociology and Community Health Services at UCLA since 2005. Before beginning her career in education, she held various positions at RAND, including Director of the NICHD Post-doctoral training program and the Hewlett Foundation Training Program in International Demography, Associate Director of the Population Research Center, and Social Scientist. Professor Frankenberg earned her Ph.D. in Demography and Sociology from the University of Pennsylvania in 1992. Professor Frankenberg's research focuses specifically on health care, mortality, developing economies, decision-making within families, and Southeast Asia. She recently received three grants from the National Institute of Aging to conduct studies on "Older Adults and their Families in Mexico," the "Evolution of Well-being of Older Adults After a Disaster," and "Long-term Effects of Natural Disasters on Social and Economic Well-being." She is also currently working on a project, funded by a grant from the Hewlett Foundation, to study "Reproductive Health, Empowerment of Women, and Economic Prosperity." In the past, she has also received grants from the Fogarty International Institute, the National Science Foundation Program on Human and Social Dynamics, and the MacArthur Foundation, to name a few. Professor Frankenberg has published her research findings and insights in numerous prestigious academic journals throughout her career. Her paper with A. Bittenheim, B. Sikoki and W. Suriastini entitled, "Do Women Respond to Expansions in Reproductive Health Care?", recently appeared in *Studies in Family Planning*. Her work with J. Nobles on "Mothers' Community Participation and Child Health", appeared in the *Journal of Health and Social Behavior*. Her work has also been published in the *American Journal of Public Health*, *Globalization and Poverty*, *Populations*, and the *Journal of Development Economics*. In addition to her papers and articles, she has also published three books. Along with sharing her work through publication, Professor Frankenberg has also presented her work extensively around the country. Her latest talks were given on the topics of "Estimates of the Tsunami's Impact on Mortality in Indonesia" and "The Impact of the Tsunami on Mental Health in Sumatra, Indonesia." She has been invited to present her work at the Population Association of America annual meetings, the DuPRI summer seminars, Yale University, the University of Maryland, the World Bank, and at several other universities and seminars.

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Gunhild Hagestad, Norwegian social research (NOVA), Oslo, Norway

Gunhild Hagestad was educated both in Norway and the United States. She received a Ph.D. in sociology and philosophy of science from the University of Minnesota and has held academic posts at the University of Chicago, Pennsylvania State University, Northwestern University and the University of Oslo. In addition, she has been a visiting professor at the University of Bremen and the Free University of Amsterdam. Since 1997, she has been Professor of Sociology at Agder University College in Kristiansand, Norway and a senior researcher at NOVA (Norwegian Social

Research) in Oslo.



Misa Izuhara, University of Bristol, UK

Misa Izuhara is a Reader in Comparative Policy Research and the Head of the Centre for Urban and Public Policy Research at the School for Policy Studies, University of Bristol, UK. She joined the University in 1998 after completing her MA at UBC, Canada and PhD at Bristol. She has been undertaking research extensively, both nationally and internationally, in the areas of housing and social change, ageing and intergenerational relations, and comparative policy analysis. Her recent research projects include cross-national comparative research on 'Housing Assets and Intergenerational Dynamics in East Asian Societies' funded by the UK Economic and Social Research Council. She is the author of *Housing, Care and Inheritance* (Routledge, 2009) and the Editor of *the Handbook on East Asian Social Policy* (Edward Elgar, 2013) and *Ageing and Intergenerational Relations: Family reciprocity from a global perspective* (The Policy Press, 2010). She is the past Editor of the international journal *Policy & Politics* (2005-2008) and the incoming Editor of *Journal of Social Policy* (2014).

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Karen L. Kramer is Associate Professor at the Anthropology Department at the University of Utah. She received her Diploma in Anthropology from the University of New Mexico and has been a Postdoctoral fellow in Demography at UC Berkeley.

My research focuses on the evolution of human sociality and behavior, with particular interests in cooperative breeding, parenting and childhood. The question that unifies my research is why do humans have the unparalleled capacity for population growth compared to closely related species? My current field work in a traditional Maya village in the Yucatan, Mexico has focused on documenting and modeling children's time allocation, juvenile cooperation, intergenerational resource flows, female energetics, and high fertility in a pretransitional population. My on-going research among the Pumé, a group of South American mobile hunter-gatherers addresses questions about children's growth, development and reproductive strategies, and the effects that seasonal resource availability has on fertility and child mortality. I also collaborate with conservation biologists and primatologists working in the Madagascar highlands. I have held academic appointments at Stony Brook University and Harvard University before coming to Utah in 2012.



Frieder R. Lang, Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (FAU), Germany

Frieder R. Lang is chair and director of the Institute of Psychogerontology at the Friedrich-Alexander University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (FAU), and full professor of psychology and gerontology. He received his Ph.D. in 1993 from the Free University of Berlin and the Max Planck Institute for Human Development in Berlin. He has worked as an assistant professor at the Humboldt University of Berlin, and as Associate Professor at Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg, Germany. He is currently Editor-in-Chief of "GeroPsych - The Journal of Gerontopsychology and Geriatric Psychiatry,

and serves as Editorial Board Member for several journals in the field (e.g., Psychology and Aging, European Journal of Ageing). Frieder R. Lang has published about 100 articles and books. His major research areas are health, personality, social relationships, ageing and technology, and active ageing.



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Manos Matsaganis is Associate Professor of European Social and Employment Policies at the Department of International & European Economics, Athens University of Economics & Business. He has previously worked at the London School of Economics (Welfare State Programme, 1990-1993), at the University of Crete (1996-1999 & 2011-2004), and at the Greek Prime Minister's Office (Strategic Planning Division, 1997-2001). His research interests include the social impact of the economic crisis, the economic analysis of public policy, the political economy of welfare reform, and the development of tax-benefit models. He is the coordinator of the Policy Analysis Research Unit at AUEB (<http://www.paru.gr>), and a member of the Expert Group on Social Investment for Growth and Cohesion (at the European Commission, DG Employment, Social Affairs & Inclusion).

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Merril Silverstein is the inaugural holder of the Marjorie Cantor Endowed Professorship in Aging, a joint appointment in the Falk College and the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. A prolific scholar and researcher, Silverstein joins Syracuse University from the University of Southern California, where he served as professor of gerontology and sociology. As an active member of the USC Andrus Gerontology Center, he has published more than 130 age-related publications. He currently serves as editor of *Journal of Gerontology: Social Sciences*, the discipline's flagship journal produced by the Gerontological Society of America. He has received nearly \$4.5 million in external grants for aging-related research, particularly on topics relating to intergenerational aging within the context of family life, including issues of social support, public policy, and later-life migration. He is currently principal investigator of the Longitudinal Study of Generations, a project that has tracked multigenerational families over four decades. He has active projects around the globe, including Sweden, the Netherlands, and Israel on topics of aging and intergenerational relations and currently directs a longitudinal study of older adults in rural China that is entering its second decade. Silverstein's appointment as the Cantor Professor recognizes the pioneering scholarship of the late Professor Marjorie Cantor that advanced understanding of the lifestyles of older persons, the importance of caregiver support systems, and needs of elders across class and culture. SU Chancellor Nancy Cantor and her brother, Richard L. Cantor, established the professorship in memory of their mother, who died in 2009. Silverstein will play a role in advancing collaborative research and teaching in the field of aging through Syracuse University's interdisciplinary Aging Studies Institute.



Pieter Vanhuyse, European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research, Vienna, Austria

Pieter Vanhuyse is Head of Research and Deputy Director at the European Centre for Social Welfare Policy and Research in Vienna (affiliated to the UN). He obtained a Master in economics at the University of Leuven, and an MSc in politics as well as a PhD in political economy at the London School of Economics. Pieter has been a Junior Fellow of the Institute for Advanced Study at Collegium Budapest, VATAT Research Fellow of the Higher Education Committee of the State of Israel, and Assistant Professor at the University of Haifa. Pieter's research focuses on political sociology and comparative political economy of human capital, pensions, and other public policies in ageing OECD democracies. Pieter's research has been published in over forty journals, including *Public Choice*, *J. Social Policy*, *J. European Social Policy*, *J. Public Policy*, *J. European Public Policy*, *Political Studies*, and *West European Politics*. Pieter has co-edited *Post-Communist Welfare Pathways* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2009) and *Ageing Populations in Post-Industrial Democracies* (Routledge/ECPR, 2012), and has authored *Divide and Pacify: Strategic Social Policies and Political Protests in Post-Communist Democracies* (CEU Press, 2006), which was nominated for the American Sociological Association's Best Book Award for Political Sociology.