

Workshop on harmonization of household surveys, fiscal data and national accounts: comparing approaches and establishing standards

May 17 and 18, 2018

Paris School of Economics, Campus Jourdan, 48 Boulevard Jourdan, Room: R2-21 & R2-02

Final Program (May 18 2018)

Day 1- Thursday, May 17 | Room R2-21 (Breaks in room R2-20)

12:30-13:00 [30min] Coffee/Tea (Room R2-20)

13:00-13:15 [15min] Welcoming remarks and the objective of the workshop

Thomas Piketty and Nora Lustig

13:15 – 14:30 [1h15 min] Methods for combining surveys, tax and national accounts data & DINA

Chair: Emmanuel Saez

1. *"A synthesis of Distributional National Accounts methods in rich and emerging countries: France, USA, China, India, Russia, Middle East"* by **Thomas Piketty** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
Based on Bertrand Garbinti, Jonathan Goupille-Lebret and Thomas Piketty "Income Inequality in France, 1900-2014: Evidence from Distributional National Accounts (DINA)"; Thomas Piketty, Emmanuel Saez, Gabriel Zucman, "Distributional National Accounts: Methods and Estimates for the United States"; Thomas Piketty, Li Yang and Gabriel Zucman, "Capital Accumulation, Private Property and Rising Inequality in China, 1978-2015", Lucas Chancel and Thomas Piketty "Indian Income inequality dynamics 1922-2015: From British Raj to Billionaire Raj"; Filip Novokmet, Thomas Piketty, Gabriel Zucman "From Soviets to Oligarchs: Inequality and Property in Russia 1905-2016."; Facundo Alvaredo, Lydia Assouad, Thomas Piketty, "Measuring Inequality in the Middle East 1990-2016: The World's Most Unequal Region?"
2. *"Methods for Combining Surveys and Administrative Data,"* by Thomas Blanchet, Ignacio Flores and **Marc Morgan**. [\[link to PDF\]](#)
3. *"Income inequality in Europe, preliminary estimates from Distributional National Accounts"* by **Thomas Blanchet**, **Lucas Chancel** and Amory Gethin. [\[link to PDF\]](#)

25 min each including comments

14:30 – 14:45 [15 min] Break - Coffee/Tea in room R2-20

14:45 – 16:00 [1h 15min] Methods for combining surveys and administrative data (1)

Chair: Francisco Ferreira

1. *"The Missing Rich in Household Surveys: A Survey of Causes and Correction Methods"* by **Nora Lustig** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
2. *"Simple correction of distribution data for missing income and missing people"* by **François Bourguignon** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
3. *"A detailed comparison of LIS and WID income concentrations for the United States and selected other countries, 1980s-2013."* by **Nishant Yonzan**, Branko Milanovic, Salvatore Morelli and Janet Gornick [\[link to PDF\]](#)

25 min each including comments

16:00 – 16:15 [15 min] Break - Coffee/Tea in room R2-20

16:15 – 17:35 [1h 20min] Methods for combining surveys and administrative data (2)

Chair: Martin Ravallion

4. *"Pareto Models, Top Incomes and Recent Trends in UK Income Inequality"* by **Stephen Jenkins** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
5. *"The impact of top incomes biases on the measurement of inequality in the United States"* by Paolo Verme and **Vladimir Hlasny** [\[link to PDF\]](#)

25 min each including comments + 30 min overall discussion on DAY 1 sessions.

18:30 Cocktail and buffet, PSE hall

Day 2 – Friday, May 18 | Room R2-01 (breaks in front of the room)

8:30 – 9:00 Coffee/Tea in front of room R2-01

9:00 – 10:20 [1hr] Methods for combining surveys and administrative data: developing economies

Chair: Paul Segal

1. *"The decline that wasn't? Reconciling survey, tax, administrative and SNA data in Brazil"* by **Pedro Souza** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
2. *"Is Inequality Underestimated in Egypt? Evidence from House Prices"* **Roy van der Weide**, Christoph Lakner and Elena Ianchovichina [\[link to PDF\]](#)
3. *"Top Incomes, Issues with Survey Data and Inequality: Evidence from Simulations and Linked Income and Tax Return Data"* by **Sean Higgins**, Nora Lustig and Andrea Vigorito [\[link to PDF\]](#)
4. *"CEQ-DINA for Mexico"* by **John Scott**, Gerardo Leyva, Nora Lustig, Sandra Martinez-Aguilar, and Enrique de la Rosa [\[link to PDF\]](#)

20 min each including comments

10:20 – 11:20 [1hr] Global-level adjustments: approaches so far

Chair: Peter Van de Ven

1. *"From DINA to global DINA: methods used in the World Inequality Report"* by **Lucas Chancel**.
Based on "World Inequality Report 2018" by Facundo Alvaredo, Lucas Chancel, Thomas Piketty, Emmanuel Saez, and Gabriel Zucman and "Estimating a global distribution of income brick by brick" by Lucas Chancel and Amory Gethin. [\[link to PDF\]](#)
2. *"Lakner-Milanovic World Panel Income Database"* by **Christoph Lakner** and Branko Milanovic:
3. *"Linking micro data to NA totals to arrive at distributional results"* by **Jorrit Zwijnenburg** [\[link to PDF\]](#)

20 min each including comments

11:20 - 11:40 [20min] Break - Coffee/Tea in front of room R2-01

11:40 – 13:00 [1hr 20min] Wealth Inequality

Chair: Janet Gornick

1. *"The Tail that Wags: Differences in right tail coverage and estimates of wealth inequality."* by **Arthur Kennickell** [\[link to PDF\]](#)
2. *"Accounting for Wealth Inequality Dynamics: Methods, Estimates and Simulations for France (1800-2014)"* by **Bertrand Garbinti**, Jonathan Goupille-Lebret and Thomas Piketty [\[link to PDF\]](#)
3. *"The concentration of personal wealth in Italy: 1995-2016"* by Facundo Alvaredo, Paolo Acciari and **Salvatore Morelli**
4. *"Wealth Inequality in Sweden, evidence from DINA,"* Sebastian Escobar, **Daniel Waldenström** [\[link to PDF\]](#)

20 min each including comments

13:00 – 13:30 [30min] What we have learned and what to do next

Chair: Branko Milanovic

François Bourguignon

Emmanuel Flachaire [\[link to PDF\]](#)

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