

LEAVE POLICIES & RESEARCH

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“Leave policies within the family-related policies”

6th International LP&R seminar (Prague, 10-11 September 2009)

Meeting place: Faculty of Science, Albertov 6, Room 371 and 373, 3rd floor

Convenor= dr.Jirina KOCOURKOVA*

Final programme

Day 1 (Thursday September 10)

Chair: Fred Deven

9.15 **Welcome**

Introduction and review of the **programme**

9.30 **Session 1: Host Country session “The Czech Republic: interplay between demographic changes and family policies”**

- Introductions by:

Prof.J.Rychtarikova: Trends in family behaviour: fertility patterns

J.Kocourkova: History of leave policies

K.Prihodova: Recent family policy

Discussant: M.Korintus

Questions and general Discussion

11.15 Break

11.45 **Session 2: Similarities and differences in Central and Eastern Europe**

- Introductions by:

Prof.J.Rychtarikova: Recent demographic trends

N.Stropnik: Changes in family policies since 1990

Discussant: Prof.I.Kotowska

Questions and general Discussion

13.00 Lunch

Chair: Peter Moss

14.30 **Session 3: Selected national presentations**

Russia (Z.Kravchenko)

Germany (D.Erler)

Finland (M.Salmi)

Questions and Discussion

16.00 Break

16.15 **Session 7a: Network activities and business**

- **The network’s activities 2008-2009** (Moss & Deven)
- **EC Research Project** (Fusulier/Escobedo)
- **2009 Visegrad project** (Michon)

17.00 End of Day 1

18.00 Boat trip

20.00 Seminar dinner

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Day 2 (Friday September 11)

Chair: Jirina Kocourkova

9.30 **Session 4: International Labour Organisation: report on leave policies and current work in a key intergovernmental organisation**

- Introduction by Verena Schmidt (ILO staff member)

Discussant: Prof.Sh.Kamerman

Questions and general Discussion

10.30 Break

11.00 **Session 5: The Economics of Leave Policies**

- Introduction by:

Prof.M.O'Brien: Researching the cost of parental leave

Prof.J.Plantenga: The economics of leave

Discussant: D.-G.Tremblay

Questions and general Discussion

12.30 Lunch

Chair: Fred Deven

14.00 **Session 6a: European Union: Follow-up on new EC Directive Maternity and Parental leave;**

- Introduction by Tobias Muellensiefen (EC staff member)

Questions and general Discussion

14.45 **Session 6b: European Union: introduction to the European Family Alliance and its Web Portal**

- Introduction by Dijana Ferizovic (Project Manager/Editor)

Questions and general Discussion

15.15 **Session 6c: European Union: Parental childcare and employment policy**

- Keynote address: European Commissioner Vladimir Spidla

Questions and general Discussion

16.00 Break

16.15 **Session 7b: Network activities and business**

- **Publications** (Moss)
- **2010 meetings** (Deven)
- **LP&R Network Membership** (Moss & Deven)
- **Website** (Deven)
- **The network and advocacy groups** (Moss)
- Any other Business

18.00 End of seminar