

CfP: 6th Doctoral Workshop: Stability and Sustainability of Active Labour Market Policies in Times of Crises: National and International Comparisons (September 20th-21st, 2021, online)

Topic

The coronavirus pandemic is one of the most challenging social crises of modern welfare states. However, it is only one of the crises that welfare states have been confronted with since the turn of the millennium (e.g., the so-called refugee crisis and the euro crisis). It seems that different crises have resulted in different mechanisms for handling them. First, the common and the specific/diverging challenges of national labour market policies have to be examined. Second, the implications of active labour market policy programmes in times of crises have to be analysed. Third, it is also important to ask what the theoretical implications of active labour market policy are in a changing welfare state arrangement.

The papers or PhD research projects presented at the workshop should address at least one of the following questions:

- What are major similarities and differences concerning the ways in which different crises are addressed by nation states? How can the crises be distinguished systematically? Are there patterns of crisis management and learning processes between the different countries?
- Who are the relevant actors in the management of the crises?
- Which national and international answers have been developed to fight the labour-market related consequences of the crises?
- How promising are current concepts of active labour market policy? What future perspectives are necessary and fruitful?
- What future orientation of public employment services in the different countries is necessary to stand the current and possible future crises?
- What new theoretical concepts may result from the current labour market policy crises?

Aims of the Doctoral Workshop:

The workshop will:

- bring together labour market researchers
- provide doctoral students and early career researchers with an opportunity to present their current work and to receive constructive feedback from an international panel of senior researchers and experts and other doctoral students and early career researchers
- develop a supportive network of PhD and early career researchers with an interest in labour market policies in times of crises

Organizers and panel members:

Organizers: Henning Jørgensen (CARMA Aalborg University) & Michaela Schulze (German University of Applied Labour Studies) & ESPANet Germany; ESPANet Nordic; the working

group Welfare State Research of the German Political Science Association (DVPW), and the working group Political Economy of the German Political Science Association (DVPW)

Abstracts

In order to apply for the workshop, please send an abstract of 500 words to michaela.schulze@hdba.de. Deadline for submission is May 31st 2021. The participants for the workshop will be selected on the basis of the content and the quality of their paper proposals. PhD students and early career researchers who are accepted to the workshop will be asked to provide a full paper (5.000 words). The paper should be submitted to the organizers and participants three weeks prior to the workshop. The participants are expected to present a full paper including information on the research question(s), theoretical background, methodology and aspects the participant wants to discuss. The workshop will be held as an online conference hosted by the German University of Applied Labour Studies (Campus Schwerin). There are no conference fees.

Important dates

Submission deadline for abstracts for the Workshop: 31st May 2021

Notification of acceptance: 7th June 2021

Deadline for the submission of full research proposals or papers: 31st August 2021

Workshop: 20-21th September 2021