

ISI Wealth Conference 2025 Program

(last update: 16 September 2025, changes still possible)

Thursday, 9 October 2025			
Start Time	End Time	Event	Location
8:00	9:00	Registration	TBD
9:00	10:30	Opening + Keynote Talk with Céline Bessièrè (Paris-Dauphine University and University Institute of France) on "The Gender of Capital"	TBD
10:30	11:00	Coffee Break	TBD
11:00	12:30	<p>Session 1.1: Wealth Measurement</p> <p>Missing Wealth Distribution, Wealth Inequality, and Anti-Inequality Policies – Michele Bavaro (University of Oxford) and Piotr Paradowski (Luxembourg Income Study and Gdansk University of Technology)</p> <p>The Global Distribution of Human and Nonhuman Wealth – Olle Hammar (Linnaeus University and Institute for Futures Studies) and Daniel Waldenström (Research Institute of Industrial Economics)</p> <p>Reach Me if You Can: How to Boost the Participation of Rich Households in Wealth Surveys? – Andrej Cupak (National Bank of Slovakia and University of Economics in Bratislava), Judita Jurašeková Kucserová (National Bank of Slovakia) Zuzana Brokešová (University of Economics in Bratislava), Boris Frankovič (Statistical Office of the Slovak Republic) and Sofie Waltl (University of Cambridge)</p>	Break-out Room 1
11:00	12:30	<p>Session 1.2: Trends in Wealth Inequality</p> <p>Student Debt and Wealth Gap among College-educated Americans: A Life Course</p>	Break-out Room 2

and Cohort Analysis – **Lingxin Hao** (Johns Hopkins University)

Economic Elites and Wealth Concentration Cross-Nationally, 1996-2025 – **Wesley Stubenbord** (Cornell University)

Belgian Wealth Inequality, 1935-2022 – **Arthur Apostel** (Ghent University)

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Session 1.3: Housing Markets

Break-out Room 3

Unaffordability and the Corporate Concentration of Housing Wealth: Structural Shifts in U.S. Housing Markets – **Max Fineman** (Princeton University)

Housing Affordability, Familial Assistance, and the Transition to Home Ownership – **Joe LaBriola** (University of Michigan)

Collective Ownership, Unequal Access? Housing Cooperatives and Socioeconomic Inequality – **Lena Radau** (LMU Munich)

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Session 1.4: Demographic Perspectives on Wealth

Break-out Room 4

Wealth Inequality among Families in a Changing Demographic Landscape: Evidence from Germany, 1988–2017 – **Lisa Klein** (Humboldt University of Berlin), **Philipp M. Lersch** (DIW Berlin) and Maximilian Longmuir (Stone Center at CUNY)

Wealth and Education of Single-Parent Households in Light of Different Education Policies – **Sylwia Radomska** (Polish Academy of Sciences and GRAPE) and **Eva Sierminska** (LISER and Polish Academy of Sciences)

The nativity wealth gap – a systematic review and meta-analysis – **Mathis Herpell** (DIW Berlin)

12:30	13:30	Lunch	TBD
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 2.1: Measuring Perceptions of Wealth</p> <p>“I Don’t See Anything Positive or Neutral In It”: Adolescents’ Lived Experiences, Perceptions, and Understandings of Inequality – Marie Lou Hartmann (University of Bamberg), Margitta Grötsch (University of Bayreuth), Daniel Mayerhoffer (University of Amsterdam), Hannah Olbrich (University of Bamberg) and Jan Schulz (University of Bamberg)</p> <p>Tied to Reality? A Network-Based Approach to Inequality Perceptions in the Classroom – Hannah Olbrich (University of Bamberg), Margitta Grötsch (University of Bayreuth), Marie Lou Hartmann (University of Bamberg), Daniel Mayerhoffer (University of Amsterdam) and Jan Schulz (University of Bamberg)</p> <p>Perceptions of Wealth and Income Inequality: A Distinction without a Difference? – Kris-Stella Trump (Johns Hopkins University)</p>	Break-out Room 1
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 2.2: Pensions</p> <p>The State Construction of Heterogeneous Returns: The Individualized Retirement System and the Rise of the 1% – Asher Dvir-Djerassi (University of Michigan)</p> <p>Pension Systems and Wealth Inequality in Old Age: Revisiting the Paradox of Redistribution – Kun Lee (LIS Cross-National Data Center and Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research), Javier Olivera (Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research) and Philippe Van Kerm (University of Luxembourg)</p> <p>Gendered employment histories and the accumulation of wealth and pension entitlements over the life course – Katja</p>	Break-out Room 2

<p>Möhring (University of Bamberg and University of Mannheim), Clara Overweg (University of Bamberg) and Andreas Weiland (TU Dortmund University & University of Bamberg)</p>			
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 2.3: International Perspectives on Housing</p> <p>Trusts and International Wealth Management: Direct and Indirect Ownership of Real Estate in Britain – Amelie Grosenick (LMU Munich) and Jakob Miethe (LMU Munich)</p> <p>Housing Wealth Regimes – Nora Waitkus (Heidelberg University and London School of Economics) and Fabian Pfeffer (LMU Munich)</p> <p>Housing Wealth Inequality in Urban China – Wei Zhao (University of California, Riverside), Jun Xu (University of Macau) and Fang Gong (Ball State University)</p>	Break-out Room 3
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 2.4: Concepts of Wealth</p> <p>The Misunderstood Middle: How Ownership Redefines Class – Pirmin Fessler (Austrian National Bank) and Martin Schürz (Austrian National Bank)</p> <p>A Conceptual Analysis of the “Wealth Advantage” in Current EU Sustainability Reporting and Assessment Standards – Felicitas Sommer (Technical University of Munich)</p> <p>Does Land Inequality Have a Spatial Dimension? An East African Perspective – Stephan Kehinde Medase (Johann Heinrich von Thünen Institute), Resty Naiga (Makerere University) and Raphael Kweyu (Kenyatta University)</p>	Break-out Room 4
15:00	15:30	Coffee Break	TBD

15:30	17:00	Session 3.1: Thematic Mix: New Comparative Perspectives	Break-out Room 1
<p>Perceived Wealth Mobility in Europe – Alexi Gugushvili (University of Oslo)</p> <p>Networks of Privilege? Communist Party Connections, Wealth, and Human Capital – Joan Costa-Font (London School of Economics and Political Science, Institute of Labor Economics, and CESifo), Anna Nicińska (University of Warsaw) and Olga Popova (Leibniz Institute for East and Southeast European Studies and Institute of Labor Economics)</p> <p>Wealth Taxation and Redistribution in International Comparison – Fabian Pfeffer (LMU Munich), Franziska Disslbacher (Vienna University of Economics and Business) and Daniel Rösler (LMU Munich)</p>			
15:30	17:00	Session 3.2: Understanding Gender Gaps in Wealth	Break-out Room 2
<p>Wealth Inequalities between Women and Men in the Top 1%: First Insights from Ethnographic Fieldwork in Continental Europe – Céline Bessière (Paris-Dauphine University and University Institute of France)</p> <p>Prenuptial Agreements and Economic Gender Equality – Lina Aldén (Linnaeus University), Anne Boschini (Stockholm University) and Anna Nordén (Jönköping University)</p> <p>Understanding Gendered Wealth Inequality: The Role of Bargaining Power – Vanessa Lechinger (Vienna Chamber of Labour and Vienna University of Economics and Business), Miriam Rehm (University of Duisburg-Essen) and Izsakun Zuazu Bermejo (University of Duisburg-Essen)</p>			
15:30	17:00	Session 3.3: Wealth and Health	Break-out Room 3
<p>Assets, Debts, and Health: Disaggregating</p>			

the Wealth–Health Gradient in Japan – **Dina Maskileyson** (University of Luxembourg) and **Piotr Paradowski** (Luxembourg Income Study and Gdansk University of Technology)

The Wealth–Health Gradient Over the Life Course: A Cross National Comparative Analysis – **Davide Gritti** (University of Trento), **Dina Maskileyson** (University of Luxembourg), **Raffaele Grotti** (University of Trento and Stockholm University) and **Stefani Scherer** (University of Trento)

Inherited (Dis)Advantage? The Long Arm of Health Returns to Family Wealth in Norway by Gender and Migration Background – **Bettina Hünteler** (DIW Berlin) and **Dina Maskileyson** (University of Luxembourg)

15:30 17:00 **Session 3.4: Wealth and Marriage** Break-out Room 4

Household structures, assortative mating and wealth concentration – **Federico Scalese** (University of Luxembourg and Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research)

Same-Sex Inequalities in Norway: Selection into Marriages and Consequences for Education, Income, and Wealth – **Øyvind N. Wiborg** (University of Oslo and DIW Berlin/SOEP) and **Alexi Gugushvili** (University of Oslo)

Marrying a Billionaire: Studying US American Billionaires' Family Biographies Using the Forbes World's Billionaires List, 2010-2022 – **Ria Wilken** (Freie Universität Berlin)

17:00 19:00 **Opening Reception** TBD

Friday, 10 October 2025

Start Time	End Time	Event	Location
8:00	9:00	Registration	TBD
9:00	10:30	Session 4.1: Perceptions & Tax Preferences How Contextualizing Wealth Shapes Perceptions and Tax Preferences – Franziska Disslbacher (Vienna University of Economics and Business), Raphael Gottweis (WU ViennaVienna University of Economics and Business), Victoria Hüneweltdt (University of Siena), Samuel Jalalian (LMU Munich), and Daniel Rösler (LMU Munich) Who is Angry? Comparing Moral Outrage Against Excessive Wealth Gap in EU Countries – Joanna Kitsnik (Fondazione Eni Enrico Mattei) and Tanel Vallimäe (Tallinn University) Taxing Capital: Public Perceptions and Tax Policy Preferences – Patrick Sullivan (Yale University), Paul Marx (University of Bonn) and Fiona Kniaz (Yale University)	Break-out Room 1
9:00	10:30	Session 4.2: Pathways to Gender Wealth Inequality Gendered Pathways to Wealth: The Self-Assessed Relevance of Different Accumulation Channels across the Wealth Distribution – Theresa Nutz (Leibniz Institute for the Social Sciences), Nicole Kapelle (Trinity College Dublin, Humboldt University of Berlin, and University of Oxford), Daria Tisch (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies) Decomposing the Gender Wealth Gap in Late Working Age Based on the Most Relevant Family-Work Life Course Aspects – Carla Rowold (University of Oxford and Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research) and Nicole Kapelle (Trinity College Dublin,	Break-out Room 2

Humboldt University of Berlin, and University of Oxford)

Unequal Estate Division for Wealth Perpetuation: Portfolios, Primogeniture, and Patrilineality – **Nhat An Trinh** (University of Oxford), Daria Tisch (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies) and Manuel Schechtl (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill)

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Session 4.3: Intergenerational Mobility

Break-out Room 3

Heterogeneity in Intergenerational Transmission of Housing Inequality: Evidence from Cohort Study in China (1935-2003) – **Yuting Li** (University of Luxembourg) and Zhuowen Qin (King's College London)

Wealth Mobility in the United States: Empirical Evidence from the PSID – **Christophe Van Langenhove** (Vrije Universiteit Brussel)

The Relationship Between Family Wealth and Housing Market Outcomes: Maintained Financial Advantages across Generations – **Jia Wang** (University of Oslo)

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Session 4.4: The German Wealth Elite

Break-out Room 4

Wealth Inequality and Families: A Sociological Perspective on Inequalities in the (Re)Production of Wealth within Rich Families in Germany – **Benjamin Neumann** (TU Dortmund University) and **Marliese Weißmann** (Sociological Research Institute Göttingen)

Private Parties: Contours of an Exclusive Ownership Elite – **Isabell Stamm** (TU Berlin) and Franziska Wiest (Max Planck Institute for the Study of Societies)

Super-rich Families and Their Modern Pastors: The Role of Family Business Consultants in the Preservation of Dynamic Wealth in Germany – **Franziska Wiest** (Max

Planck Institute for the Study of Societies)			
10:30	11:00	Coffee Break	TBD
11:00	12:30	Keynote Talk with Lane Kenworthy (University of California San Diego)	TBD
12:30	13:30	Lunch Break	TBD
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 5.1: Wealth & The Media</p> <p>Giving Back Wealth: Analysis of the Communication and Media Reception of the "Good Council for Redistribution" – Hendrik Theine (Johannes Kepler University Linz), Carlotta Verita (University of Pennsylvania) and Moritz Gartiser (University Duisburg-Essen)</p> <p>How Does Journalism Reflect the Economic Interests of Their Audiences? The US Field of Newspapers from 1981 to 2017 – Alexis von Mirbach (LMU Munich) and Rodney Benson (New York University)</p> <p>Portrayal of German Immigrants in Terms of Wealth in the U.S. Press between 1848 and 1914 – Kevin Grieves (Whitworth University), Marie Hartmann (University of Bamberg), Carsten Källner (Complexity Science Hub Vienna), Diana Peña Ruiz (National Institute for Scientific Research, and Liane Rothenberger (Catholic University of Eichstätt-Ingolstadt)</p>	Break-out Room 1
13:30	15:00	<p>Session 5.2: Wealth Across the Life-Course</p> <p>Cross-cohort Differences in Wealth Accumulation – David Arbelaez (Harvard University) and Alexandra Killewald (University of Michigan)</p> <p>Wealth Accumulation and Wealth Inequality across Generations: Comparing Baby Boomers, Gen-X, and Millennials – Anette</p>	Break-out Room 2

Fasang (Humboldt University of Berlin), Rob J. Grujters (University of Bristol), Martin Gaedecke (University of Oxford), **Nicole Kapelle** (Humboldt University of Berlin), Zachary van Winkle (Sciences Po)

The Stability of Individual Wealth Positions over the Lifespan in Germany, Norway, and Britain – Daniel D. Schnitzlein (Innside Statistics, Leibniz University Hannover and IZA Bonn), **Philipp M. Lersch** (DIW Berlin/SOEP and Humboldt University of Berlin), **Øyvind N. Wiborg** (University of Oslo and DIW Berlin/SOEP)

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Session 5.3: Wealth Inequality in Education

Break-out Room 3

Homeownership, Asset Poverty, and Children's Postsecondary Education – **Alexander Adames** (University of Michigan and Princeton University) and Angela Li (Princeton University)

BAföG's Blind Spot: Parental Wealth and the Reproduction of Inequality in German Higher Education – **Samuel Jalalian** (LMU Munich)

The Paradox of Expertise: How Independent Education Agencies Un/serve Wealthy Chinese Families Preparing for Overseas Education – **Ruiyi Li** (University of Southern California)

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Session 5.4: Policies

Break-out Room 4

Experimental Effects of a Matched Savings Account Program on Education Outcomes, Workforce Development, and Time Preferences – **Davide Azzolini** (FBK-IRVAPP and Urban Institute)

Asset Tests and Household Dissaving: Evidence from Spain's Minimum Income Scheme – **Dmitry Petrov** (University of Alcalá), Luis Ayala (National University of Distance Education Spain) and **Olga Cantó Sánchez** (University of Alcalá)

Gendered Patterns in Contributions to Tax-Favoured Savings Accounts in Canada: Evidence from Administrative and Qualitative Data : 2009-2022 – **Maude Pugliese** (National Institute for Scientific Research) and Julie Landour (University of Paris-Dauphine)

15:00	15:30	Coffee Break	TBD
15:30	17:00	<p>Session 6.1: Perceptions of Wealth & Justice</p> <p>Subjective Wealth Inequality in Germany: Perceptions and Fairness Evaluations from an Experimental Vignette Survey – Gonzalo Franetovic (University of Turin), Clara Löffler (ISI Munich), Hannah Massenbauer (University of Zurich), Marvin Memmen (Maastricht University), Cristóbal Moya (DIW Berlin) and Laila Schmitt (LMU Munich)</p> <p>How Laypeople’s Notions of Wealth Reproduce Inequality: A Cross-Country Comparison – David Schieferdecker (Freie Universität Berlin), Chana Teeger (London School of Economics and Political Science), Angelika Juhász (Freie Universität Berlin), Jonathan Mijs (Boston University), Flavio Carvalhaes (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro), Graziella Moraes Silva (Geneva Graduate Institute), Jeremy Seekings (University of Cape Town), Winnie Arthur (University of Cape Town), Pedro Fandiño (Federal University of Rio de Janeiro) and Susanne Reinhardt (Freie Universität Berlin)</p> <p>Making Sense of Economic Inequalities through Profiles of Perceived Justice – Cristóbal Moya (DIW Berlin) and Jule Adriaans (University Bielefeld)</p>	Break-out Room 1
15:30	17:00	<p>Session 6.2: Thematic Mix: New Data</p> <p>Taxing Which Incomes? Demand for Tax</p>	Break-out Room 2

Changes for Capital and Labor Income –
Licia Bobzien (University of Potsdam)

Shifting Perceptions among Chilean Elites
Following the 2019 Social Uprising – **Rafael
Carranza** (Pontifica Catholic University of
Chile)

Wealth Inequality and Longevity in England
and Wales, 1860-1990: Evidence from
Linked Probate and Death Records – **Naomi
Muggleton** (University of Warwick and
University of Oxford), Aaron Reeves
(University of Oxford and London School of
Economics and Political Science), Charles
Rahal (University of Oxford and Oxford
Population Health), Linda Li (London School
of Economics and Political Science) and
Alexandra Rottenkolber (Linköping
University)

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Session 6.3: Inheritance & Transfers

Break-out Room 3

Intergenerational Wealth Transfers and
Gendered Transitions into Entrepreneurship
– **Agnieszka Althaber** (LMU Munich)

Dissecting Intergenerational Transfers: The
Inheritance and Gift Gap over Time – Markus
Grabka (DIW Berlin), **Eva Sierminska**
(Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic
Research and Institute of Economics of the
Polish Academy of Sciences) and Karan
Singhal (University of Luxembourg and
Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic
Research)

Intergenerational Transfers and Housing
Inequality Across Europe: A Cross-Sectional
Analysis of the Gender and Generations
Survey – **Gabriela Sepúlveda Vásquez**
(University College Dublin), Stephan Köppe
(University College Dublin) and Rowan
Arundel (University of Amsterdam)

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Conference Dinner

Hofbräuhaus,
Platz 9, Munich

Saturday, 11 October 2025

Start Time	End Time	Event	Location
8:00	9:00	Registration	TBD
9:00	10:30	Experiments with Wealth: Stack of Coins and Living Data Join us for an experimental session with hands-on activities to bring data from the page into the classroom.	TBD
10:30	11:00	Coffee Break	TBD
11:00	18:00	Excursion to Staffelsee	Meeting Point TBD