
LIVES INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH DAYS 2026

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER (11:15-17:30)

Panel 1: Within-Couple Inequalities in Contemporary Societies

Organized by Davide Ziino, Marlène Tauch, Meret Lütolf, Leen Vandecasteele & Flavia Fossati

University of Lausanne, Géopolis, room 2207

Programme

11:15 – 13:00 | Session 1 – Labour Market Inequalities, Fertility, and the Consequences of Parenthood

- **Kristina Dorofeeva** (Florence), Are Dual-Earner Couples Required for Second Births? The Contrasting Evolutions of Italy and Spain
- **Flavia Mazzeo** (Max Planck Rostock), Couples' Relative Earnings and Timing of Second Birth by U.S. State-Level Structural Sexism
- **Carlos J. Gil-Hernández** (Florence), Within-Couple Child Penalty and Assortative Mating: Household Specialization or Doing Gender?
- **Maximilian Reichert** (Rotterdam), Pre-Birth Income Inequalities and the Evolution of Maternal Absolute and Relative Income Trajectories after Childbirth
- **Matthias Klingler** (Zurich), Three Sides of a Coin? Parenthood and the Division of Paid Work in Western Germany, Eastern Germany, and Switzerland

13:00 – 14:00 | Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 | Session 2 – Economic Resources, Care and Couple Dynamics

- **Anna Matysiak** (Warsaw), Disagreements over the Division of Labour within Couples
- **Marlène Tauch** (Lausanne), Deserving fathers? Gender, Family and Labour Market Status in Access to Childcare
- **Mariya Lenko** (Trento), Two Lives, One Story. Exploring Latent Earnings Trajectories of Couples over the Life Course
- **Janina Wollmann** (Jena), Inheritances and Gifts as Drivers of the Gender Wealth Gap in Couples?



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15:30 – 16:00 | Coffee Break

16:00 – 17:30 | Session 3 – From Division of Labour to Union Outcomes: Well-Being and Separation

- **Yasemin Yilmaz** (SHARE Berlin), How Do Older Couples Divide Housework? A Cross-national Comparison in Europe
- **Flavien Bonelli** (Lausanne), Linked Lives, Unequal Outcomes: Gendered Divisions of Labour and their Consequences among Swiss Couples
- **Vanessa Gash** (London), Does It Feel Good to be the Breadwinner? The Association between Couple Earner Type and Well-Being for Husbands and Wives in Cross-National Context
- **Anne Solaz** (INED Paris), Within-Couple Inequalities and Separation: Risk and Labour Market Consequences for Women and Men

