INTERNATIONAL WORKSHOP
INVESTING IN CHILDREN: POLITICS, POLICIES, AND OUTCOMES

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Thursday, May 25th
Sala de Prensa

09:00 h OPENING (Margarita León
Autonomous University of Barcelona)

09:15 h 1st PLENARY: CHILDREN’S AGENCY AND THE SOCIAL INVESTMENT AGENDA

Speakers:
Policy developments from a comparative perspective
 Mary Daly, University of Oxford
Social Investment and its critics
 Anton Hemerijck, European University Institute

Chair: Elin Peterson, Stockholm University

10:45 h COFFEE BREAK

11:00 h 1st PANEL: INEQUALITY AND INTERGENERATIONAL EQUITY: INVESTMENT IN THE EARLY YEARS

Speakers:
Inequalities in the early years: ethnicity, disability and family background
 Lucinda Platt, LSE

Intergenerational transfers: pro-elderly welfare states in a child-oriented Europe
 Pieter Vanhuysse, University of Southern Denmark

Equality of opportunity and early childhood care and education: in search for alternatives
 Christian Morabito, Save the Children Europe and UNESCO International Bureau of Education

Chair: Héctor Cebolla, UNED, Madrid

14:30 h 2nd PLENARY: INEQUALITIES AND PUBLIC INVESTMENTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD

Speakers:
Welfare states and child poverty. What can be done?
 Bea Cantillon, University of Antwerp

Obstacles to childcare for disadvantaged children
 Giuliano Bonoli, University of Lausanne

Chair: Rossella Ciccia, Queen’s University Belfast

16:00 h COFFEE BREAK

16:30 h 2nd PANEL: DOES DIVERSITY MATTER? UNDERSTANDING CHILDCARE CONTEXTS, POLICY DESIGNS AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORKS

Speakers:
Childcare provision and the Matthew effect
 Wim Van Lancker, Universiteit Antwerpen
 Emmanuele Pavolini, Maccera University

Childcare policies in Europe: the capabilities approach
 Mara Yerkes, Utrecht University
 Jana Javornik, University of East London

Childcare provision in segmented labour markets
 Costanzo Rancí, Politecnico Milano
 Stefania Sabatinelli, Politecnico Milano
 Margarita León, UAB

Chair: Erik Neimanns, University of Konstanz

20:00 h DINNER
**Friday, May 26th**

**Sala de Prensa**

This half-day session is oriented towards empirically-lead discussions on childcare and interventions in the early years. Specific attention will be given to the Spanish context and its territorial complexity although within a comparative framework and broader academic debates.

**9.30-11.30h Guiding topics for discussion***:
- Inequality, child poverty and issues of redistribution
- Intersecting and intergenerational inequalities
- Equal opportunities for vulnerable children

Brief introductions by:
- Gabriela Carvalho (UAB) and Alec Curtis (UAB): *trends in child poverty and social policy/public expenditure*
- Pau Mari-Klose: *trends in child poverty and redistributive impact in Spain*

**Chair**: Pau Mari-Klose (*University of Zaragoza*)

**11.30-11.45h COFFEE BREAK**

**11.45-13.30h Guiding topics for discussions***:
- The politics of investing in children/public opinion.
- Different forms of governance and impact on access and quality of childcare
- Access to childcare (efficiency of targeted versus universal programmes
- Quality of childcare and early years education

Brief introductions by:
- Eric Neimanns (*University of Konstanz*): *Public opinion and policy reforms in early childhood education. The Spanish case in comparative perspective*
- Daniel Gabaldón (*University of Valencia*): *Transitions home-school and access to childcare services by income groups: the case of Valencia*

**Chair**: Margarita León

**13:30 h LUNCH**

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**Speakers, Chairs and discussants:**
- Giuliano Bonoli, *University of Lausanne*
- Bea Cantillon, *University of Antwerp*
- Héctor Cebolla, *UNED, Madrid*
- Rossella Ciccia, *Queen’s University Belfast*
- Mary Daly, *University of Oxford*
- Daniel Gabaldón, *UV*
- Anton Hemerijck, *European University Institute*
- Jana Javornik, *University of East London*
- Margarita León, *UAB*
- Pau Mari-Klose, *UNIZAR*
- Christian Morabito, *Save the Children and UNESCO International Bureau of Education*
- Emmanuele Pavolini, *Maccerata University*
- Elin Peterson, *Stockholm University*
- Lucinda Platt, *LSE*
- Costanzo Ranci, *Politecnico Milano*
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