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## **IZA Workshop** **Wage Inequality, Technology and Institutions**

July, 2 - 3, 2004  
IZA, Bonn, Germany

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### **Program**

+++ 45 minutes presentation +++ 10 minutes discussion +++ 5 minutes general discussion +++

#### **Friday, July 2:**

**12:20 - 13:20**

**Lunch**

**13:20 - 13:30**

**Welcome**

#### *Session 1: Unions and Wage Inequality*

**13:30 - 14:30**

**W. Stanley Siebert** (University of Birmingham, UK and IZA), John T. Addison (University of South Carolina and IZA) and Ralph W. Bailey (University of Birmingham)  
"The Impact of Deunionization on Earnings Dispersion Revisited"

Discussant: **Chinhui Juhn** (University of Houston and IZA)

**14:30 - 15:30**

**Björn Brügemann** (MIT)  
"Unions, Deunionization and Changing Wage Inequality"

Discussant: **W. Stanley Siebert** (University of Birmingham, UK and IZA)

**15:30 - 16:00**

**Coffee / Tea Break**

#### *Session 2: Institutions, Wage Inequality and the Labor Share*

**16:00 - 17:00**

**Winfried Koeniger** (IZA), **Marco Leonardi** (University of Milan and IZA) and Luca Nunziata (University of Milan and IZA)  
"Labor Market Institutions and Wage Inequality"

Discussant: **Francine Blau** (Cornell University and IZA)

**17:00 - 18:00**

**Daniele Checchi** (University of Milan and IZA) and Cecilia Garcia Penalosa (CNRS and GREQAM)  
"Labor Shares and the Personal Distribution of Income in the OECD"

Discussant: **Sebastian Kessing** (Wissenschaftszentrum Berlin für Sozialforschung WZB)

**20:00**

**Dinner**

**Saturday, July 3:**

*Session 3: Institutions and Labor Demand*

**9:30 - 10:30**

**Lawrence M. Kahn** (Cornell University and IZA), Guiseppe Bertola (Universita di Torino) and Francine Blau (Cornell University)  
"Labor Market Institutions and Demographic Employment Patterns"

Discussant: **Stephen Machin** (University College London and IZA)

**10:30 - 10:45**

**Coffee / Tea Break**

*Session 4: Technology Change and Inequality*

**10:45 - 11:45**

**Alan Manning** (London School of Economics) and Maarten Goos (London School of Economics)  
"Lousy and Lovely Jobs: The Rising Polarization of Work in Britain"

Discussant: **Marco Leonardi** (University of Milan and IZA)

**11:45 - 12:45**

**José V. Rodriguez Mora** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra), John Hassler (Stockholm University and IZA) and Joseph Zeira (Hebrew University)  
"Inequality and Mobility"

Discussant: **Winfried Koeniger** (IZA)

**12:45 - 14:00**

**Lunch**

*Session 5: Wage Inequality, Labor Demand and Search Frictions*

**14:00 - 15:00**

**Olivier Pierrard** (Catholic University of Louvain)  
"Impacts of Selective Reductions in Labor Taxation"

Discussant: **José V. Rodriguez Mora** (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)

**15:00 - 16:00**

**Tito Boeri** (Bocconi University and IZA) and Michael C. Burda (Humboldt University, Berlin and IZA)  
"Preferences for Rigid versus Individualized Wage Setting in Search Economies with Frictions"

Discussant: **Björn Brügemann** (MIT)

**16:00 - 16:30**

**Coffee / Tea Break**

*Session 6: Skill Premiums and Firm Heterogeneity*

**16:30 - 17:30**

**Bernd Fitzenberger** (University of Frankfurt) and Karsten Kohn (University of Frankfurt)  
"Skill Premia, Employment, and Cohort Effects in a Model of German Labor Demand"

Discussant: **David A. Jaeger** (College of William and Mary and IZA)

**17:30 - 18:30**

**Alfonso Rosolia** (Bank of Italy), Andrea Brandolini (Bank of Italy) and Piero Cipollone (Bank of Italy)  
"Unequal Workers or Unequal Firms"

Discussant: **Alexandru Voicu** (IZA)