Self-Responsibility in European Welfare Institutions – Concepts, Methods and Trends

Programme of the international workshop
19–21 May 2016 Hamburg University
Edmund-Siemers-Allee 1 west wing, room 221
Organisers: Patricia Frericks, Julia Höppner, Ralf Och

Thursday May 19th
12.00–13.00 Registration

13.00–13.30 Welcome
Welcome by Birgit Pfau-Effinger, Director of the Research Centre CGG and lead of the Center’s Research Area 2 “Change in institutional constellations in welfare states”
Welcome by the organisers and introduction to the workshop and organisation

Self-responsibility and social rights: An invasion of status by contract?
Florian Blank (Institute of Economic and Social Research, WSI, Düsseldorf)

Social Investment Package of the European Union – From Merit to Investment
Bettina Leibetseder (Johannes Kepler University Linz)

Concepts of self-responsibility in European welfare reforms
Patricia Frericks (University of Helsinki)

15.10–15.40 Coffee break

15:40–16.40 First keynote: Jane I. Millar (University of Bath)
Making People Autonomous: Self-responsibility and Activation for Lone Mothers in the UK

16.40–17.10 Coffee break

17.10–18.50 2. Session: European Differences in the institutional framing of self-responsibility
Changing welfare regimes and the role of self-responsibility in activation policies
Nicola Duell (Economix Research & Consulting) and Lena Thurau (Economix Research & Consulting)

Self-Responsibility and Choice in Germany, Sweden and the US
Stephan Köppe (University College Dublin)

Self-responsibility as institutional individualisation? The family in European social security institutions
Patricia Frericks (University of Helsinki), Julia Höppner (Hamburg University) and Ralf Och (Hamburg University)

19.00–20.00 Reception
Friday May 20th

09.00–10.40  3. Session: Differences in self-responsibility – the perspective of actors

My thoughts and views on self-responsibility principles in European Welfare institutions
Byambadorj Purvee, Mongolia

Personal responsibility or personalized responsibility? The ambiguous definition of self-responsibility in the provision of social welfare services
Paolo Rossi (University of Milano Bicocca)

Towards an increased self-responsibility in pensions? Reconstructing attitudinal trends about public versus individual responsibility in pension provision among the German population
Dirk Hofäcker (University of Duisburg-Essen)

10.40–11.10  Coffee break

11.10–12.10  Second keynote: John L. Campbell (Dartmouth College and Copenhagen Business School)

For Better or Worse: Institutionalizing Self-Responsibility

12.10–13.10  Lunch

13.10–14.50  4. Session: Methods and data to analyse institutional regulations

How to measure institutional individualization in social security?
Patricia Frericks (University of Helsinki), Julia Höppner (Hamburg University) and Ralf Och (Hamburg University)

Disability policy in Europe: a fuzzy set ideal type analysis of approaches towards active citizenship
Josephine Foubert (Ghent University)

The «contratto di ricollocazione»: the Italian way towards flexicurity
Mariacristina Degoli (University of St. Gallen)

14.50–15.20  Coffee break

15.20–16.30  5. Session: Outcomes and new inequalities of institutionalized self-responsibility

Beyond welfare markets. (Un-)Intended implementation of self-responsibility in the German pension system
Felix Wilke (University of Kassel)

The principle of self-responsibility in German job centers
Stefanie Börner (University of Magdeburg) and André Stiegler (University of Jena)

16.30–16.40  Short break


Universal healthcare? Linking out-of-pocket payments to income-related inequalities in unmet health needs
Monika Ewa Kaminska (University of Bremen) and Melike Wulfgramm (University of Southern Denmark, Odense)

The enzymatic effect of behavioural economics – theoretical and empirical findings from regulating life style risks
Kathrin Loer (Fernuniversität in Hagen)

19.00  Conference dinner

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