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Call for Papers Education in Adulthood and the Labour Market

Background

In today's knowledge societies, education is not limited to initial schooling and training in youth anymore. Rather, learning is now considered a lifelong process, necessary to guarantee long-term employability, flexibility and adjustment to rapidly changing workplace requirements. While the growing importance of educational activities in adulthood is undisputed, theoretical and empirical contributions on their changing relevance and relationship to employment careers are just at a starting point. Thus the conference will strive to present current international research on education and training subsequent to initial training and their relationship with the labour market from both a sociological and an economics perspective.

Topics

The scientific committee encourages theoretical and policy-oriented, but in particular empirical contributions using process-produced data, survey evidence, qualitative material or experiments, focusing on the timing and sequencing of educational activities in the adult life course, decision processes for (non-)participation, selectivity in access, incentives, barriers, and (un)favourable welfare state arrangements, productivity effects and labour market returns (income, employability, employment security, flexibility, career), expenditures on education and training and adult education in international comparison.

Keynote speakers

Rolf Becker (University of Bern)

Peter Fredriksson (Institute for Labour Market Policy Evaluation, Uppsala)

Submission

The deadline for submissions is 13 July 2009. Please submit electronic versions of extended abstracts (3 pages) or completed papers (PDF preferred) to Educ2009@iab.de. You will be notified on acceptance of your paper by 13 August 2009.

Scientific committee

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Travel costs:

Nuremberg is connected worldwide via Nuremberg airport. A small number of travel grants are available. Applications for travel grants should include a CV and letter of motivation and must be handed in together with the submitted paper.

Conference fee:

The conference fee will be € 50.