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Dear IARIW Member and General Conference Delegates,

35th IARIW General Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 20-24, 2018

Preparations for our 35th IARIW General Conference, which is taking place in Copenhagen, Denmark, August 20-24, are almost complete. Thanks to the great work done by the local organizer, Statistics Denmark, this conference will be a very memorable experience. We start with a welcome reception on Monday evening starting at 7 PM in the DGI-byen Conference Centre and end with the farewell dinner on Friday evening at the Moltkes Palace. The Thursday afternoon excursion will be a canal tour and visit to Rosenborg Castle. In the evening delegates will receive an entry ticket to Tivoli amusement park.

For details on the conference logistics consult the conference website maintained by Statistics Denmark at <https://www.dst.dk/da/Sites/iariw>

The theme of the opening plenary session of the conference organized by Statistics Denmark is the uses of microdata. The session will start with a keynote address entitled "Why Macro Needs Microdata" by Professor Torben Anderson from the University of Aarhus. There will also be a presentation on wealth, debt and macroeconomic stability by Niels Lynggard Hansen from Danmarks Nationalbank and a presentation on opportunities and challenges related to microdata for research and policy making by Niels Ploug from Statistics Denmark. This will be followed by a panel debate chaired by Mark Pearson from the OECD on how microdata can best be used to benefit society.

This year's Ruggles Lecturer will be Tim Smeeding from the University of Wisconsin-Madison. The title of his lecture, to take place on Tuesday from 18:00 to 19:00, is "Triangulation in Economic and Social Measurement."

Conference delegates are reminded that it is the discussants who both present and discuss the papers at IARIW General Conferences. This means that authors do not have to prepare PowerPoint presentations for their papers.

On-line Availability of All Conference Papers

It has long been an IARIW tradition to distribute papers before the conference to allow conference participants the opportunity to read them before the event. It is believed that this availability improves the quality of the discussion at the conference. The internet now allows us to make papers available before the conference not just to those attending the conference, but to all members, and indeed to the general public.

I am pleased to announce that all 165 papers on the program for the upcoming 35th IARIW General Conference are now posted at <http://www.iariw.org/c2018copenhagen.php>. I would like to thank authors for meeting the deadline. I hope that many conference participants will have an opportunity to read papers of interest before the conference and to relate their comments to the authors at the conference. These papers represent the latest in research in the area of income and wealth from around the world.

Council Election

Members are reminded that the deadline for receipt of electronic ballots for the election of four persons to the IARIW Council for the 2018-2022 term is 11:59 PM EDT on Thursday, August 16. If you are uncertain whether you have voted, or want to verify that your ballot has been recorded, a list of members who have cast their ballot by 1:00 PM EST on August 11th is posted [here](#). Biographies of the candidates are posted at <http://www.iariw.org/councilrecnom2018.php>. The results of the election will be officially announced at the membership meeting on August 22.

To vote, click here: [VOTE](#)

IARIW Membership Meeting

The meeting of the members of the Association will take place at 8:00 PM on Wednesday August 22, 2018 at the 35th IARIW General Conference in Copenhagen in the Plenum at the DGI-byen Conference Centre. The agenda for the meeting is posted at <http://www.iariw.org/IARIW-agenda-2018.pdf>. Draft minutes of the 2016 members meeting are posted at <http://www.iariw.org/M2016.pdf>. All members are strongly encouraged to attend.

Session Proposals for the 2020 General Conference

Members are reminded that session proposals for the 36th IARIW General Conference, which will be hosted by Statistics Norway in August 2020, are now being received by the secretariat (info@iariw.org)

and will continue to be received until noon on Wednesday, August 22. These proposals will be distributed and discussed at the membership meeting that evening.

IARIW-Higher School of Economics Conference in 2019 on Income, Wealth, Inequality, Poverty and Well-being in CIS Countries and Eastern Europe

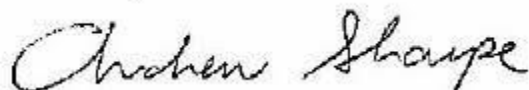
On September 17-18, 2019 the IARIW, in partnership with the Higher School of Economics, supported by Rosstat and CIS Stat, will be holding a special international conference entitled "Experiences and Challenges in the Measurement of Income, Wealth, Inequality, Poverty and Well Being in CIS Countries and Eastern Europe" in Moscow, Russia. This will be the first conference that the IARIW has ever organized in Russia. The call for papers will be distributed to the membership in September.

IARIW-World Bank Conference in 2019 on New Approaches to Defining and Measuring Poverty in a Growing World

In November 2019, the IARIW, in partnership with the World Bank, will be organizing an international conference on new approaches to defining and measuring poverty. The conference will take place at the World Bank office in Washington, D.C. This will be the first time that the IARIW has partnered with the World Bank in the organization of a conference. The call for papers will be distributed to the membership in September.

I look forward to seeing everyone in Copenhagen and to a successful conference!

Best Regards,



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