

BSPS MEETINGS

Wednesday 6 July

BSPS AGM and Day Meeting – preliminary announcement

The 2005 BSPS AGM will be held in the Graham Wallas Room at the London School of Economics. Probable start time – 10.30am.

To be followed by a day meeting:

Recent developments in ethnic demography

The organiser of this meeting is Baljit Bains – baljit.bains@london.gov.uk to whom offers of relevant papers and assistance should be sent

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12-14 September 2005

plenary theme

would be very welcome, but are also specifically invited on fertility, local government, local planning and census issues, household projections, health inequalities, mortality, population ageing, migrant populations, ethnicity, and internal and international migration, historical demography, reproductive health, evolutionary demography, methods (qualitative and quantitative) and models. If you wish to submit a paper that does not appear to fall into any of the listed strands, please submit either to the strand2.5 0 TD -03.r8osbmit eh1rr of Tj 232.5 3ukt/h1rr of T

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Please do not submit the same paper to more than one strand!
Strand organisers may reallocate papers to another strand, if appropriate, but potential presenters will be advised.

Notes:

A maximum of two papers per author, please. Strand organisers will confirm that submissions have been received. Notice of provisional programme will follow in May.

An abstract of approximately 250 words will be required for the Conference programme, by **30 Ju301**

The meeting will bring together demographers, policy analysts, as well as interested parties from the public and private sectors. The main focus of the conference will be the UK and Europe.

Confirmed speakers:

Paul Boyle, Emily Grundy and Cecilia Tomassini, Linda Hantrais, Tomas Sobotka.

Meeting organisers: Mike Murphy (M.Murphy@lse.ac.uk) and Steve Smallwood (Steve.Smallwood@ons.gov.uk)

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NOTICES

newsletter can now be downloaded in .PDF format via the Institute of Education website:

<http://www.ioe.ac.uk/bedfordgroup/cls/kohort/feb05.pdf>

Back issues of the newsletter can be found at www.ioe.ac.uk/bedfordgroup/cls/kohort

If you have any comments on this issue or wish to contribute to future issues please feel free to contact me by email (rc@cls.ioe.ac.uk) or phone (+44 020 7612 6755). The deadline for contributions for the May 2005 issue is **Friday 8th April 2005**.

If you are using NCDS, BCS70 or MCS data in your work please remember to notify us of **all** your publications, by completing and returning the form at the end of the newsletter. As well as helping to minimize the risk of unnecessary duplication, these details are an important outcome indicator, ensuring the future continuation of the cohort studies.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

POPFEST 2005 at Queen's University Belfast 22-24 June 2005

Website: <http://www.qub.ac.uk/c-star/popfest.html>

PopFest is a demography conference organised by postgraduates for postgraduates. It aims to provide a relaxed, supportive setting for students to come together to present work and discuss ideas. The conference transcends disciplinary boundaries and is an ideal forum for all postgraduates regardless of their stage of research. In the past PopFest has proved invaluable as a spring board for junior researchers and many of last years delegates went on to present their work at international conferences.

Abstracts for both oral and poster presentations of around 250 words are welcomed. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is Wednesday 20th April 2005

Abstracts should be sent to s.lavery@qub.ac.uk

Alternatively post to: Stuart Lavery, Popfest, School of Geography, Queens University Belfast, BT71NN

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Population Geography Research Group Spring Conference 'Population Policies, Institutions and Changing Distributions'

30-31 March 2005, School of Geography,
University of Wales Swansea

Call for Papers:

Abstracts welcome on any topics of relevance to population geography. Further details below. Please send titles and abstracts of papers to Darren Smith (D.Smith@Brighton.ac.uk) by February 15th 2005.

Travel Grants: A number of Travel Grants of up to £120 each are available to enable postgraduates, contract staff and unwaged to attend the Swansea conference. Applications for travel grants must be submitted by 18th February 2005. For further details and an application form, contact Caitriona (c.nilaoire@ucc.ie). Please pass this notice on to any postgraduates, contract staff, etc, in your department, who might be interested.

Conference Registration: The submission date for registration for conference attendance has been put back to 28th February 2004. Contact Darren Smith (D.Smith@brighton.ac.uk) for a registration form.

Conference Theme: The remit for papers is intentionally broad and papers should be submitted on any topic relevant to population geography. The organisers will decide the strands of the conference once they have received the abstracts. Papers will be 20-

On Wednesday 20th April 2004 the Institute of Education will be hosting a 1-day workshop on the National Child Development Study (NCDS) and the 1970 British Cohort Study (BCS70). This

Application Deadline

The application deadline is April 1, 2005.

Application and Information

You can download the application form from the website: <http://www.ishss.uva.nl/SIM/> or you can obtain application forms and other detailed information on the Summer Institute on International Migration, Ethnic Diversity and Cities from:

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Short Courses in International Health Schedule 2005!

At the University of Heidelberg, Germany

We would like to announce the following training courses offered by the Department of Tropical Hygiene and Public Health of the University of Heidelberg.

With our broad range of courses we try to address health issues that arise specifically within low and middle income countries. The courses are composed not only to transfer current knowledge, but also to enhance skills and abilities of the participants which can put into practice.

All courses are accredited within "tropEd", a European Network for Education, which offers a joint Master in International Health, yet they are open for individual further training. Participants receive a certificate of attendance from the University of Heidelberg. A two-weeks course costs EUR 1.500. (including course work and printed materials, but not accommodation, insurance or other personal costs during the stay).

For further information, organisation & application forms please inquire at mailto:natascha_petersen@urz.uni-heidelberg.de natascha_petersen@urz.uni-heidelberg.de.

You can also consult the web site <http://www.hyg.uni-heidelberg.de/ithoeg/teaching/index.htm> <http://www.hyg.uni-heidelberg.de/ithoeg/teaching/short/short.htm>

In the light of the most recent tragedy, I would like to point out especially the course on "Health of Unstable Populations":

Health of Unstable Populations, May 2 - 13, 2005

In cooperation with the Centre of Research on the Epidemiology of Disasters (CRED), University of Louvain

Contents overview

The content of the course reflects current knowledge and experiences of the management of complex emergencies in the

health sector.

Disaster situations, disaster preparedness, development programmes, cross-cultural awareness, working relations in the field, donor coordination, from relief to development, applied epidemiology of unstable populations.

Objectives

The goal of the course is to provide a better understanding of the issues related to the health care of refugees, internally displaced persons and the affected host population in developing countries and to the health care of migrants.

- * To sensitize participants for health of unstable populations
- * To create awareness about the relief and development context in which international organisations work
- * To enable participants to prepare for disasters and to better design health programmes focussing on unstable populations

At the end of the course, participants should be able to

- * explain the determinants of migrants health in Developing Countries and in Europe
- * apply rapid assessment methods in emergency situations
- * use strategic and operational planning and health management tools in unstable situations
- * apply planning methods in post-conflict situations
- * explain the driving forces and determinants of donor coordination
- * set up a disaster preparedness plan at operational district level
- * use quality criteria for good disaster management

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REPORTS OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

BSPS Day Meeting on Disclosure Control 11th January 2005

This meeting was arranged by Oliver Duke-Williams and John Hollis to bring users of Census and other data together with representatives from the national statistical agencies. The meeting was very well attended, with all places reserved some time before the date of the meeting.

The meeting commenced with an introduction and welcome from *John Hollis* of the Greater London Authority.

The first presentation was from *Keith Spicer* of the Office for National Statistics (ONS), who set the context for the session by discussing ONS' current policies, and the confidentiality policy and legislative framework within which they operate. Keith described two facets of disclosure: identity disclosure, in which an individual's identity is revealed, and attribute disclosure in which additional characteristics relating to a known individual are revealed. Keith made the argument that the nature of disclosure risk had changed from earlier Censuses, due to the policy decision to make results easily available via the Web, and the widespread electronic storage of many data sets. For the

sample of the individual sample under controlled conditions at ONS sites in London and Titchfield. A daily charge would apply to researchers using this facility. Angela described the differences between the samples, and also the likely specifications of a controlled access version of the household SAR.