PolOfEdu Workshop at LLAKES, Institute of Education, UCL, 27-28 September 2019

Friday the 27th from 1 to 6 pm and Saturday the 28th from 9.15 am to 2 pm.

Location: Room C3.09 on 27th and Room 739 on 28th

Organizers: Charlotte Haberstroh, Julian Garritzmann, Susanne Wiborg

Participants

Ibrahim Alhouti, IoE UCL Tom Chevalier, Oxford Marina Cino-Pagliarello, LSE Emmerich Davis, Harvard Niccolo Durazzi, University of Edinburgh Julian Garritzmann, University of Zurich/EUI Thomas Gift, UCL Lukas Graf, Hertie School of Government Berlin Charlotte Haberstroh, LSE Ursula Hackett, Royal Holloway Jens Jungblut, University of Oslo Andrew McNeil, LSE Amelia Peterson, Harvard Eda Safiye Demir, UCL Supanutt Sasiwuttiwat, UCL Susanne Wiborg, UCL

Talks (further details below)

Julian Garritzmann, University of Zurich/EUI Francis Green, LLAKES, UCL

Friday 27

1-1.15 pm: Welcome

1.15-2.15 pm: Julian Garritzmann: A Loud, But Noisy Signal? Public Opinion and the Politics of Education Reform in Western Europe (book launch)

2:30-4.15 pm: Panel 1 Explaining institutional change and variation in school systems

Tom Chevalier and Jane Gingrich: "The Politics of Quality in Educational Production"

Ibrahim Alhouti: "Reforming the Education System but Neglecting the Teachers: The Case of Kuwait"

Amelia Peterson: "The End of the Road Less Travelled: processes of transformation in upper secondary education"

coffee break

4.30-6.15 pm: Panel 2 Education Politics and Business Power

Marina Cino Pagliarello: "Populism and the losers of the knowledge economy: who is framing educational goals?"

Durazzi, Niccolo: "The quiet politics of higher education"

Lukas Graf, Alexandra Strebel and Patrick Emmenegger: "New Forms of Collective Organizing: When the State Steps in to Get Skills Right"

Saturday 28

9.15-10.15 Keynote by Francis Green: *Private school reform policy in Britain: past failures and current discourse.*

10.25-11.35 Panel 3: Who governs education?

Thomas Gift, Emmerich Davies and Carlos X. Lastra-Anadon: "Global Performance Assessments and Preferences for Centralization: Evidence from the PISA"

Jens Jungblut and Michael Dobbins: "The Politics of Higher Education Governance Reform in Western Europe"

11.50 – 1pm Panel 4: Education, social mobility, and political attitudes

Andrew McNeil and Charlotte Haberstroh: "A coalition of aspirational voters? Social mobility and voters' support of the knowledge-based economy"

Emmerich Davies: "Skeptical Democrats? The Effects of Increasing Education on Political Attitudes in India"

1pm Lunch and conclusions.

Workshop Talks:

Friday, 27 September, 1 - 2.15 pm, Cruciform Building B 304-LT1, UCL Campus London

Julian Garritzmann "A Loud, But Noisy Signal? Public Opinion and the Politics of Education Reform in Western Europe" (book launch)

Julian Garritzmann's talk, based on a forthcoming co-authored CUP book, will show that public opinion matters in the politics of education reform. However, the book also identifies conditions under which party and interest group politics matter more: the salience of a particular issue and the coherence of popular attitudes on that issue. The book provides both a comprehensive analysis of public opinion on education policy in eight Western European countries as well as detailed historical case studies on actual reform processes."

Julian Garritzmann is a Senior Researcher in Political Science at the University of Zurich, Switzerland. He is a comparative political scientist, working at the intersection of comparative political economy, political sociology, and comparative political institutions. Most of his recent work is on welfare state research, education and social investment policy, global social policy, party politics, and public opinion. His book on the Political Economy of Higher Education Finance was awarded the German Political Science Association's (DVPW's) Dissertation Prize, the ESPAnet/JESP's *Doctoral Researcher Prize*, and it was shortlisted for the *Deutscher Studienpreis*.

Saturday, 28 September, 9.15-10.15 am, Cruciform Building B 304-LT1, UCL Campus London

Francis Green "Private school reform policy in Britain: past failures and current discourse."

The talk will begin by characterising the evolved problem of private -- that is, fee-paying -- schooling in Britain. Francis Green will then analyse recent developments and discourse surrounding options for reform of Britain's private schools.

Francis Green is Professor of Work and Education Economics at the Institute of Education (now a faculty of UCL), at the LLAKES research centre and the Centre for Global Higher Education. His general interests lie in labour economics, education economics and political economy. He maintains an interdisciplinary approach in both research and teaching. His research focuses on skills, training, work quality and industrial relations issues. He has published more than 150 articles and nine books, including "Demanding Work. The Paradox of Job Quality in the Affluent Economy" (Princeton University Press, 2006).