

Project on Intergenerational Equity (PIE)
International Workshop on

Economics of Intergenerational Equity in Transition Economies

March 10-11, 2005

hosted by the Institute of Economic Research (IER), Hitotsubashi University
at Sano Shoin (Presidential Guest House)
Kunitachi, Tokyo, Japan

DAY 1 (March 10, THU)

OPENING ADDRESSES (15:00-15:20)

Nishimura, Yoshiaki (Vice President, Hitotsubashi University, Japan – Project Leader)

Kuboniwa, Masaaki (Director, IER, Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

PANEL A: PENSION REFORMS IN THE CIS STATES (15:30-17:30)

Chair: Uegaki, Akira (Seinan Gakuin University, Japan)

Panelists (in order of presentation):

1. Becker, Charles (Duke University, USA) & Urzhumova, Dina (Pragma Corporation, Kazakhstan)

“Pension System Reform in Central Asia: An Overview”

2. Sinyavskaya, Oxsana (Independent Institute for Social Policy, Russia)

“Pension Reform in Russia: A Challenge of Low Pension Age”

3. Ohtsu, Sadayoshi (Osaka Sangyo University, Japan) & Tabata, Shinichiro (Hokkaido University, Japan)

“Pension Reforms in Russia”

Coffee Break (17:30-17:50)

PANEL B: LABOR AND POPULATION ISSUES IN THE CIS STATES (17:50-19:20)

Chair: Kumo, Kazuhiro (Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

Panelists:

1. Becker, Charles (Duke University, USA) & Seitenova, Ai-Gul (Pragma Corporation, Kazakhstan)

“Fertility and Marriage in Kazakhstan's Transition Period: Implications for Social Security Policy”

2. Kuboniwa, Masaaki (Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

“Russia's Demographic Crisis in the 1990s and the Long-Run: How can we dream with Russia?”

DAY 2 (March 11, FRI)

PANEL C: PENSION REFORMS IN POLAND & ROMANIA (10:00-12:00)

Chair: Ikemoto, Shuichi (Nihon University, Japan)

Panelists:

1. Vasile, Valentina (Institute of National Economy, Romania)
“Romania’s Pension System: Between Present Restrictions and Future Exigencies”
2. Yoshino, Etsuo (Hokkaido University, Japan)
“Consistently Compromising Reform of the Polish Pension System from 1999 to 2004”
3. Gora, Marek (Warsow University of Economics, Poland)
“Pension Expenditure as the Part of GDP: Social Security vs. Economic Growth”

Lunch Time (12:00-13:00)

PANEL D: PENSION REFORMS IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC & HUNGARY (13:00-15:00)

Chair: Mikheeva, Nadezhda (Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

Panelists:

1. Bezdek, Vladimir (National Bank, the Czech Republic)
“The Public Pension System in the Czech Republic from the Point of View of Public Finance”
2. Gal, Robert Ivan (TARKI Social Research Centre, Hungary)
“Fertility Effects of the Pension System and Other Intergenerational Transfers: Test on Hungarian Data”
3. Iwasaki, Ichiro (Hitotsubashi University, Japan) & Sato, Kazuko (Institute of Russian & East European Economic Studies, Japan)
“Private Pension Funds in Hungary: Politics, Institutions, and Performance”

Coffee Break (15:00-15:30)

PANEL E: LABOR AND POPULATION ISSUES IN CENTRAL & EASTERN EUROPE (15:30-17:00)

Chair: Sugiura, Fumikazu (Hitotsubashi University, Japan)

Panelists:

1. Szeman, Zsuzsa (Institute of Sociology, Hungary)
“Social Ageing, the Labour Market and Pensions”
2. Kupiszewski, Marek (Central European Forum for Migration Research, Poland)
“Migration in Poland in the Period of Transition - the Adjustment to the Labor Market Change”

CLOSING ADDRESS (17:00-17:05)

Takayama, Noriyuki (Hitotsubashi University, Japan – Project Director)

RECEPTION (buffet style) (17:20-19:00)