March 14, 2018

Dear IARIW Member,

Albert Braakmann, IARIW President and Jørgen Elmeskov, Director General of Statistics Denmark, would like to invite all members of the International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW) to attend the 35th IARIW General Conference, which will take place at the DGI-byen Conference Centre in Copenhagen, Denmark from Monday, August 20 to Friday August 24, 2018. Over 200 papers on income and wealth issues will be presented.

The conference website maintained by Statistics Denmark is found at www.dst.dk/iariw2018.

Registration is now open. You are encouraged to register by April 30, 2018 to obtain the early bird rate. Note that evening meals (except for the farewell dinner) are not included in the conference package this year.

The preliminary conference program with abstracts is posted at http://www.iariw.org/c2018copenhagen.php. Tim Smeeding, from the University of Wisconsin-Madison and a past IARIW Chair, will give the Ruggles lecture.

Delegates are responsible for booking their own accommodation. A list of hotels can be found at https://www.dst.dk/da/Sites/iariw/accommodation

Pre-Conference Training Courses at the General Conference

The IARIW will be offering two two-day training courses on August 19-20 immediately preceding the General Conference. One training session is on national accounting, given by Francois Lequiller, formerly Head of National Accounts at the OECD. The other training session is on the advantages and disadvantages of non- and semi-parametric methods for data classification and categorization given by Robert Zelli and Maria Grazia Pittau, both from the Sapienza University of Rome.

A minimum of 10 persons will be needed to be registered by the June 30, 2018 deadline for a training course to go ahead. There is no charge to participate in the sessions for IARIW
members, including employees of IARIW institutional members. Details on the two courses, and a link for the registration form, are posted at http://www.iariw.org/training2018.php.

Nominations Open for New Members of the IARIW Council

Four persons are to be elected to the Council for the 2018-2022 period. The call for nominations is posted at http://www.iariw.org/councilnom-2018.php. The deadline for nominations is June 15, 2018 at midnight EDT. An email ballot will be distributed to members shortly thereafter.

Membership Renewals

Individual members who had not prepaid their 2018 dues will have received in late January an invoice by email. If you have not already paid your dues for 2018, you are asked to do so as soon as possible. The annual membership rate for 2018 has been reduced from $75 US to $40 US for members who no longer wish to receive a hard copy of the Review of Income and Wealth. Membership dues can be paid by credit card at http://www.iariw.org/payment.php.

Special Conference in 2019

The IARIW will be organizing two special conferences in 2019. The first, in partnership with the National Research University Higher School of Economics, will be on income, wealth, inequality, poverty and well-being in CIS countries and will take place in Moscow. The second, in partnership with the World Bank, will be on poverty measurement issues and will take place in Washington. Details on these conferences will be provided shortly.

Members are invited to contact me with any questions related to the Association. I look forward to seeing as many members as possible at the General Conference in Copenhagen in August.

Sincerely,

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