



INSTITUTE  
OF SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES  
Faculty of Social Sciences  
Charles University



UNIVERSITY OF  
**MARYLAND**  
SCHOOL OF PUBLIC POLICY

Berkeley Social Welfare

# Cash Transfers and Guaranteed Minimum Income Programs: Research, Evaluation, and Policy

## International Conference

*Agenda*

**September 9-10, 2024**

Charles University  
Green Hall No. 141, Karolinum building  
Prague, Czechia

**Day 1: Monday, 9 September**

- 12:00 **Optional half-hour tour of Charles University**  
Meet at the main lobby of Karolinum, Ovocný trh 5
- 13:00–13:15 **Welcome and Introductions**  
*Arnošt Veselý*, Vice-Dean for Science and Research, Faculty of Social Sciences,  
Charles University  
*Martin Potůček*, Charles University  
*Douglas Besharov*, University of Maryland  
*Neil Gilbert*, University of California, Berkeley

13:15–13:45 **Keynote Address**

*Jiri Svarc*, Head of Unit of the Social Policies, Child Guarantee, SPC division, Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs, and Inclusion, European Commission

13:45-15:15 **Panel session: Comparing European Minimum Income Schemes**

Panel chair: *Georg Fischer*, former director, Analysis, Evaluation, and External Relations, European Commission [ret.]

“Towards Universal Social Protection: Simulating Reform Strategies in Five EU Countries”

*Emma Álvarez Cronin* and *Jose Antonio Noguera*, Autonomous University of Barcelona

“Improving Coordination between Benefit Administration and Services”

*Ágota Scharle*, Budapest Institute for Policy Analysis

“Minimum Income Schemes and Work Incentives in EU-27”

*Kateryna Bornukova*, Joint Research Centre, European Commission

“Minimum Income Schemes and Gender: How Income Sharing Assumptions Affect Gender Gaps in Last Resort Income Protection”

*Alessandro Nardo*, University of Antwerp - Center for Social Policy (CSB) Herman Deleek

“Beyond the Roof Overhead: An Analysis of Asset Testing Requirements for Minimum Income Recipients in the European Union”

*Joanna Mroczka* and *Daniele Pacifico*, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

15:15-15:30 **Coffee Break**

15:30-17:15 **Panel Session: Evaluation issues**

Panel chair: *Laura Peck*, Principal Scientist and Domain Director, Income Security & Economic Mobility, MEF Associates; Co-Editor-in-Chief, *American Journal of Evaluation*

“How Impactful is a One-time Cash Transfer Program on Recipients’ Lives and How Do Housing Cost-burdened Households Cope: Preliminary Evidence from a Small US Community”

*Jerry Anthony*, University of Iowa

“The Baby’s First Years Study: Filling a Scientific Gap”

*Lisa Gennetian*, Duke University

“Exploring the Relationship Between Attitudes Toward Poverty, Belief in Structural Racism, and Support for Guaranteed Income: Results from a 2024 Nationally Representative Survey”

*Monica De La Cruz, University of California, Berkeley*

“Exploring the Democratic Consequences of Cash Transfer Programs”

*Sarah Bruch, University of Delaware*

“An Analysis of the Effectiveness of Cash Transfers on Survivors of Intimate Partner Violence”

*Andrea Hetling, Rutgers University*

“Effects of Recent Guaranteed Income Programs in High-Income Countries: A Systematic Literature Review”

*Joanna Woronkiewicz and Douglas Noonan, Indiana University*

17:15 **End of First Day**

19:30 **Conference Dinner**

Café Louvre

Národní 22, Prague 1

## **Day 2: Tuesday, 10 September**

9:00-10:15 **Panel Session: The Role of Safety Net Programs**

Panel chair: *Andrea Hetling, professor, Rutgers University*

“Crisis resilience of European welfare states: The Role of Multiple Layers of Protection”

*Werner Eichhorst, IZA*

“Regulating the Poor through Internal Borders: The EU in Historical and International Perspectives”

*Martin Seeleib-Kaiser, Tübingen University*

“The Envisioned Age-Indexed Basic Income Model”

*Joni Askola, Charles University*

“The Impact of UBI on Generative Welfare Operations”

*Kyungbae Chung, Korean Socio-Economic Society*

10:15-10:30 **Coffee Break**

10:30-12:00 **Panel Session: Western Europe**

Panel chair: Burt Barnow, professor, George Washington University

“Minimum Income Schemes in Italy: Effects on Poverty, Inequality and Labour Supply”

*Massimo Aprea*, Sapienza University of Rome

“Cash Transfers in Long-term Care: Exploring (Non-)Take-up”

*August Österle*, WU Vienna University of Economics and Business

“Double Versus Single Threshold Eligibility Designs in Minimum Income Schemes”

*Dmitry Petrov*, University of Alcalá

“Between Neoliberal and Ethicized welfare: Recent Developments of Minimum Income Schemes in Czechia”

*Lucie Trlifajová*, Charles University

“Securing the Future: The Impact of the Finnish Guarantee Pension on Labor Supply and Health”

*Ozan Yanar*, University of Helsinki

12:00-13:15 **Lunch**

**Nearby restaurants**

Pivovar (Brewery) U Supa, Celetná 22

Restaurant U červeného páva (At the Red Peacock), Kamzíková 6

Restaurant U zlatého lva (At the Golden Lion), Ovocný trh 17

13:15-15:00 **Panel Session: Central and Eastern Europe**

Panel chair: *Fernando Burgos*, Fundação Getulio Vargas

“The Political Economy of Targeting: An Empirical Assessment of Poland’s Family 500+ Programme”

*Stephanie Roost*, UNU-MERIT, Maastricht University

“Navigating EU Standards: Poland's Struggle with Minimum Income Adequacy, Coverage and Take-Up”

*Ryszard Szarfenberg*, University of Warsaw

“Analyzing the GMI Experience of a Welfare State Outlier: The Case of Cyprus”

*Varvara Lalioti*, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens

“Adequacy of Guaranteed Minimum Benefit Scheme as a Poverty Alleviation tool in Croatia”

*Zdenko Babić, Zagreb University - Social Work Study Center*

“Distributional Impact Assessment of Recent Changes to Pensions, Cash Transfers and Taxes in Lithuania”

*Jekaterina Navicke, Vilnius University*

“Adequacy of Minimum Income Scheme in Slovakia: Power Resources Theory and Historical Institutionalism Perspectives”

*Daniel Gerbery, Comenius University in Bratislava*

15:00-15:15 **Coffee Break**

15:15-16:30 **Panel session: India, Mozambique, and the MENA region**

Panel Chair: *David Seidenfeld, Vice President, American Institutes for Research*

“Implementing Child Protection Case Management in Cash Plus Programs: Qualitative Evidence from Mozambique’s Child Grant 0-2 Years Program”

*Paula Dias, American Institutes for Research*

“The impact of the Prime Minister Kisan Samman Nidhi (PMK) on Household Participation in the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (MGNREGS) in India”

*Kasim Saiyyad, Cornell University*

“Cash Transfers for Maternal and Child Nutrition: What Can the Indian Experience Teach Us?”

*Shree Saha, Cornell University*

“Cash Transfers in the MENA Region: Two Decades of Impact Evaluation and Lessons Learned”

*Anis Brik, Hamad Bin Khalifa University*

16:30-17:45 **Panel Session: Central and South America**

Panel chair: *Neil Gilbert, professor, University of California, Berkeley*

“Overcoming the Trans-local Paradox of New Municipalism: The ‘Standardized Malleability’ of Basic Income with Digital Municipal Currencies”

*Eduardo Diniz, Fundação Getulio Vargas and Ester Barinaga, Lund University*

“Trajectory, Challenges, and Outcomes of CCTs: Analyzing 20 Years of the Bolsa Família Program”

*Fernando Burgos, Fundação Getulio Vargas*

“A Review of Exclusion Errors in Cash Transfer Programs Across Mexico, Brazil, and Colombia”

*Santiago Munevar Salazar*, American Institutes for Research

“Do Enrollment Gains from Conditional Cash Transfers Sustain Disruption? Evidence From Mexico”

*Susan Parker*, University of Maryland

17:45

**Adjourn**