

Network Committee:

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28th ANNUAL WORKSHOP

September, 2 – 5, 2020

CONFERENCE ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

The 28th annual workshop of the European Research Network on Transitions in Youth (TIY) will take place in **Naples**, Italy, from 2 to 5 September 2020. The Department of Economics of the University of Campania Luigi Vanvitelli will host this year's workshop.

The theme of this year's workshop is:

The nature and duration of the school-to-work transition in Europe

Significant differences in young people's transitions are found across European countries. In some countries, the school to work transition (STWT) – the period from the completion of studies to the attainment of a stable job – goes smoothly and young people find themselves a job soon after completing their education, while in other countries they may need years to complete their STWT. EU-SILC data show marked variation in the overall duration of the STWT across European countries, ranging from an average of 9 to 34 months.

It is widely recognized that the duration of the STWT depends on the type of STWT regime and, more specifically, on the institutional structure. The characteristics of the education system may shorten and smoothen the STWT. However, an important role is also played by the nature of the labour market and, in particular, by local unemployment levels and the degree of labour market flexibility.

In this year's workshop, we wish to look especially at the nature and duration of the transition and to explain why it is so different across European countries. Particular attention will be paid to the following themes:

- The length of the school-to-work transition and related measurement issues
- The nature of the transition process
- Cross-country differences and differences across different regimes in the STWT
- Determinants of the nature and duration of the transition: individual, institutional and macroeconomic factors
- The groups of young people who experience transition difficulties
- Consequences of long transitions on later labour market outcomes
- Impact evaluation of educational policies and labour market schemes

The list of suggested themes is neither complete nor exclusive. Theoretically driven empirical research on other aspects of youth transitions that is based on high-quality (longitudinal) data, and experimental or intervention studies is also welcome. The committee also invites conceptual contributions, systematic reviews, and meta-analyses.

The Network Committee, therefore, cordially invites authors to submit contributions concerning the area of youth transitions, especially – but not exclusively – the analysis of problematic transitions from education to the labour market in a macro-micro perspective.

If you wish to present a paper at the workshop, please send an abstract (500 words) to the email address below by **April 10, 2020**. In keeping with our usual procedures, abstracts will be assessed for selection by the members of the Network Committee on the basis of their quality and relevance to the theme of the workshop. Authors will be notified of the decision regarding their paper by **April 30, 2020** at the latest.

The conference fee is set at **€ 650** and includes four nights of accommodation (single room), lunches and social events (including conference dinner). Since only a limited number of places will be available, anyone who wishes to attend the conference without presenting a paper should inform the conference organisers about this as soon as possible. To ensure the smooth running of the workshop and to guarantee accommodation (which will be organised by the workshop staff), participants are requested to register and pay the conference fee by **May 15, 2020**.

To make papers available to workshop participants in advance, final (electronic) versions should reach the local organisers at the very latest by **August 21, 2020**.

Local organiser:

Francesco Pastore

Relevant websites:

TIY network: <http://www.socsci.ru.nl/~maartenw/tiy/index.htm>

Department of Economics: <http://www.economia.unicampania.it/>

Submission of abstracts:

Abstracts should be sent by e-mail to: francesco.pastore@unicampania.it