

WOPSI

The World Politics of Social Investment

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Important note: *To use our joint time most effectively, we ask all participants to read all papers in advance. The papers will be presented only very briefly by the discussants. That is, we will go by the “Korpi-rule”: paper-givers will not (!) presented their own papers. Discussants will present and comment on the papers. Discussants have 15-20 min to present and discuss the paper. We assigned 50 mins for each paper so that we have plenty of time for discussion. The main idea for the workshop is not for authors to ‘defend’ their papers, but rather to get as much feedback as possible to further improve the papers and the coherence of the books.*



Program

Thursday, June 28th 2018

- Arrival of participants
- Conference dinner at 19.00 at (information to follow)

Friday, June 29th 2018

- **8.30 – 9.00** **Welcome & Presentation of WOPSI frame & outline**
- **9.00 – 9.50** **Chapter 3: The Role of Public Opinion in the Politics of Social Investment in Western Europe**
Marius R. Busemeyer & Julian L. Garritzmann
Chapter presented and discussed by Reto Bürgisser
- **9.50 – 10.40** **Chapter 4: Southern Europe: Childcare and Activation on the Social Policy Agendas**
Reto Bürgisser
Chapter presented and discussed by Marius Busemeyer
- **10.40 – 10.50** **Coffee break**
- **10.50 – 11.40** **Chapter 5: Southern Europe: The difficult Politics of Social Investment Reforms**
Stefano Ronchi & Patrik Vesan
Chapter presented and discussed by Triin Lauri
- **11.40 – 12.30** **Chapter 6: The Baltic States: Human Capital Investment as a New Element in the Social Policy Agenda and the Politics of Reform**
Triin Lauri & Anu Toots
Chapter presented and discussed by Patrik Vesan



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- **12.30 – 14.00** **Lunch at (information to follow)**

- **14.00 – 14.50** **Chapter 7: Social Investment in the Visegrad Countries: Agendas and Politics**
Dorota Szelewa & Michał Polakowski
Chapter presented and discussed by Sonja Avlijaš

- **14.50 – 15.40** **Chapter 8: Explaining the Constrasting Trajectories of Baltics and Visegrad Countries**
Sonja Avlijaš
Chapter presented and discussed by Dorota Szelewa

- **15.40 – 16.00** **Closing remarks**

Departure

- **Participants depart Friday evening or Saturday**