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1. Executive Committee and Council 2004

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Klaus F. Zimmermann, Institute for the Study of Labor, Bonn

2. Message from the President

Dear ESPE friends,

Our annual conference had a successful return to Europe in 2004. Participants were very impressed with the beauty of Bergen, particularly after the weather began cooperating. I, and many others by all accounts, found the plenary lectures particularly good this year. Robert Moffitt (Johns Hopkins) discussed the assessment of transfer program impacts on labor supply in general modeling frameworks, and Jean-Marc Robin (Paris I) introduced us to cupolas (they were new to me, at least), an important tool for representing and estimating joint probability distributions, and presented an interesting application to income inequality. We all are very grateful to the local organizing committee, headed by Alf Risa, for the wonderful job they did of setting up the conference. The program committee, which was chaired by Christoph Schmidt, selected a first-rate set of papers for presentation. We thank them for performing the unenviable task of choosing among a large number of high quality submissions.

The annual conference will be held in Paris this coming summer, from June 16 through June 18, at the Cité Universitaire. Patricia Apps is serving as the program chair, while the local organizing committee is headed by Catherine Sofer and Olivia Ekert-Jaffé. Submissions are due by February 1, 2005. Please see www.espe.org for details.

It has been a pleasure for me to serve as the President of ESPE this year, and it's a relatively easy job after the conference organizational activities associated with being President-Elect! I always look forward to attending the annual ESPE conference, since the size of the Society and its annual meeting promotes the exploration of research ideas in an informal, small group setting. I am also proud of the association we have with *The Journal of Population Economics*, which is widely viewed as one of the leading field journals in population, household, and labor economics.

One of the main reasons that serving as President has been so enjoyable is the presence of Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, who has served as the Society's Secretary for six years. Rudolf has been ESPE's institutional memory, and has happily and competently guided presidents, local organizers, and program organizers through their responsibilities. All who have worked with him have benefited greatly, and he will be sorely missed. Our only consolation is that we have managed to persuade Sara de la Rica to assume the position of ESPE Secretary, and we are extremely grateful for her willingness to perform this important task.

On behalf of the Council and Executive Committee I thank all of you for your continued support of the Society. I look forward to seeing you in Paris next summer and at ESPE conferences in the years to come.

Chris Flinn

3. Eighteenth ESPE Conference and General Assembly in Bergen 2004

Report, General Assembly

The Eighteenth General Assembly of the European Society for Population Economics was held on Saturday, June 12, 2003 in Bergen in the Griegshallen. 50 members attended the meeting. The President, Chris Flinn, led the Assembly. He thanked those involved with making the New York meeting a success, especially the local organiser Alf Erling Risa as well as the scientific organiser Christoph Schmidt, who was assisted in the latter job by A. Aakvik, T. Bauer, D. Jäger, M. Lindeboom and R. Riphahn. This years' meeting was very successful, which can be seen by the highly acclaimed plenary lectures of Robert Moffitt and Jean-Marc Robin, but also by a very high quality of the contributed papers. 328 papers have submitted, 180 of them have been accepted. Attendance at the meeting reached close to 200 participants. The next conference of ESPE will be held in Paris June 16-18, 2005, at the Cité Universitaire. Patricia Apps (University of Sydney, Australia) will serve as the program chair, Catherine Sofer from Paris I Sorbonne University and Olivia Ekert-Jaffé from l'Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED), Paris, as the local organizers. All submissions should be sent by e-mail to the program committee at ESPE2005@law.usyd.edu.au Submissions should include an abstract and, when possible, the paper itself. Preference will be given to submissions that include a complete paper, other things equal. Abstracts are to be submitted as plain text in the main body of the email; papers should be sent as attachments in either MS Word, .pdf, or .ps format. The submission deadline is February 1, 2005.

The Secretary of the Society, Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, reported on the recent elections. In total, 136 ballots were received. Christoph Schmidt from RWI Essen was elected President. He will become President of the Society in 2005. Rudolf thanked the outgoing Council Members Patricia Apps and Heather Joshi for their service to the Society. He welcomed Marco Francesconi (Essex) and Catherine Sofer (Paris I) as new members in the Council, Valerie Lechene and Klaus F. Zimmermann were reelected. The positions are effective from January 2004. Further information about the Society is to be found on the Web-page of the Society. (www.espe.org). The books of the Society (kept by the Treasurer Regina Riphahn) have been audited by Agneta Kruse and Marco Francesconi, their positive report has been approved by the Assembly. Rudolf thanked Agneta Kruse and Marco Francesconi – who stepped down as auditors – for their service. As suggested by the Secretary, the Assembly voted to appoint René Böheim (Linz) and Mark Taylor (Essex) as new auditors for the books of the Society.

Chris Flinn, President.

Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, Secretary.

4. Call for Contributions to the Newsletter

The ESPE newsletter provides information on the society's activities, on past, present and future events within or outside the Society's framework. All members are kindly invited to use the ESPE Newsletter to make announcements of events in the field of population economics. Please send all contributions to the Secretary.

5. Call for Papers: ESPE Conference Paris

The Nineteenth Annual Conference will take place on **June 16-18, 2005, at the Cité Universitaire, Paris**. The aim of the Conference is to facilitate the exchange of research ideas and results across a range of fields, including the economics of the household, labor economics, public economics, demography, and health economics. Examples of research topics are: human capital investment, gender issues, intrahousehold distribution, aging and social security, taxation, population and economic growth, domestic and international migration, income distribution and redistribution within and between generations, technological change and the environment.

Patricia Apps (University of Sydney, Australia) will serve as the program chair, Catherine Sofer from Paris I Sorbonne University and Olivia Ekert-Jaffé from l'Institut National d'Etudes Démographiques (INED), Paris, as the local organizers. Other members of the program committee are Alison Booth (Australian National University), Olympia Bover (Bank of Spain), Valérie Lechene (Oxford University) and François-Charles Wolff (University of Nantes).

All submissions should be sent by e-mail to the program committee, ESPE2005@law.usyd.edu.au. Submissions should include an abstract and, when possible, the paper itself. Preference will be given to submissions that include a completed paper, other things being equal. Please send:

- an electronic version of an abstract (250 words maximum) in MS Word format for inclusion in the Book of Abstracts.
- an electronic version of the paper (or a detailed abstract) as attachment in pdf format, as one file (including tables and figures).

The submission deadline is **February 1, 2005**. Acceptance decisions will be communicated in March. We particularly encourage graduate students to apply. Waivers of the conference registration fee will be provided for 10 graduate students. To apply for a waiver the submission of a full

paper together with a confirmation of student status by the dissertation supervisor is required. ESPE wants actively to increase participation from East European countries. Presenters from these countries who are within ten years of having completed their PhD can apply for a 50% reduction in the registration fee. Information on conference location, registration, and hotel reservations will be available at www.espe.org

6. Elections 2004: Candidate for President

Patricia Apps: She is Professor of Public Economics in the Faculty of Law, University of Sydney, Adjunct Professor in the Economics Program, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University, Canberra, and also Adjunct Professor at the University of Technology, Sydney. She studied economics at Yale University, and obtained her PhD at the University of Cambridge. In 1994 she was elected Fellow of the Academy of Social Sciences in Australia. She became a Research Fellow of IZA in 1999.

Her research has focused on theoretical and empirical approaches to modeling multi-person households, and the application of these models to the analysis of tax policy, welfare programs, household labour supply and saving behaviour, and gender issues. Her publications in these areas have appeared in general and specialist journals, including the *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Labour Economics* and the *Journal of Population Economics*. She also plays an active role in policy debates in these areas.

Candidate for Secretary

Sara de la Rica: She is a Doctor in Economics by the University of the Basque Country (1991). Actually, she is an associate professor of Economics at the University of the Basque Country (Spain). Her research interest is focused on applied microeconometrics to the Labour Market, in particular, to the Spanish Labour Market. Wage differences have been among the issues where Sara has done most of her work. During the last couple of years, the relation between the low fertility rate of Spanish females and her labour market situation is one of the topics she is most interested in.

Her work has been published in *Review of the Economics of the Household* (forthcoming), *Public Finance and Management* (forthcoming), *Moneda y Crédito* (forthcoming), *Spanish Economic Review* (2003), *Economica* (1999), *Applied Economics* (1997), *Journal of Human Resources* (1995) and *Investigaciones Economicas* (1995), among others.

7. Election 2004: Council

Four council members need to be elected. The elected council members will start their 3-year term in 2005. Usual voting procedures are being followed according to the statutes. We are applying a new system of E-voting which will facilitate voting procedures for all members for whom we have e-mail addresses. For other members, a postal ballot with directions on how to complete it is included with this newsletter. To be valid, it must be returned to the office of the Secretary before **January 15, 2005**.

The candidates and their biographical details are listed alphabetically below:

Alison Booth: She is Professor of Economics and a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London (from 1993) and of the IZA Bonn (from 1996). She was appointed as Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts (FRSA) in 1999. She obtained her PhD from the London School of Economics in 1984.

Booth was Editor-in-chief of *Labour Economics* from 1999-2004, and was the 1999 Editor of *The Economic Journal Conference Volume*, and the 1998 Co-editor of *The Economic Journal Conference Volume*. She appears in the 2003 *Who's Who in Economics* and served as Panel Member for the UK Research Assessment Exercise 2001, Economics and Econometrics, 1999-2001. She also served on the Executive Committees of the European Association of Labour Economists (1996-2002) and the Royal Economic Society 1998-2002 and as an elected member (1997-2002) of the Council of the Royal Economic Society. She has recently been appointed to the Board of Editors of *The Economic Record*. She is a citizen of Australia and Britain.

Booth has worked on a number of labour market topics, including trade unions, gender issues in pay determination, temporary work and part-time employment, work-related training, employment protection, and academic labour markets. Her book, *The Economics of the Trade Union*, Cambridge University Press (reprinted 2002) was one of Princeton University Economics Book of the Year in 1996. She is a contributor to the economics section of the *International Encyclopedia of the Social & Behavioral Sciences* (2001) Oxford: Elsevier Science Limited. She has received research grants from the Australian Research Council, the Leverhulme Trust, the Nuffield Foundation, and the Economic and Social Research Council.

Miles Corak is Director of the Family and Labour Studies Division at Statistics Canada, a research group devoted to analysis of the well-being of children and families as well as their interaction with the labour market and social institutions. During 2003/04 he was a member of the UNICEF Innocenti Research Centre in Florence Italy, working as the research coordinator and lead researcher on child poverty and well-being in rich countries. He holds an MA in economics from McGill University and a PhD from Queen's University, and was a member of the research staff of the Economic Council of Canada before joining Statistics Canada in 1991. He is also an adjunct professor with the Department of Economics at Carleton University, and a Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Labor (Bonn Germany). He has published in a wide variety of academic and policy orientated journals on topics related to intergenerational earnings and income mobility, unemployment dynamics, and unemployment insurance. His most recent research deals with conceptual and measurement issues in the definition of child poverty, understanding levels and changes in child poverty rates in the OECD, and the structure and age-incidence of fiscal policy. His publications have appeared in, among others, the Journal of Labor Economics, and the Journal of Human Resources. He has also edited three books, the most recent— Generational Income Mobility in North America and Europe—will soon be published by Cambridge University Press.

Daniela Del Boca, Ph.D. from the University of Wisconsin-Madison (1988), is Professor at the University of Turin and Director of the Center for Household Income, Labour, and Demographics (CHILD). Her work has focused mainly on labor market decisions, family formation, and fertility, with a particular emphasis on the role of institutions in shaping these behaviors. Her articles have appeared in several books and journals such as the American Economic Review, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Population Economics, Labour Economics, Review of Income and Wealth, and Review of Household Economics. She is Co-editor of Labour and Associate Editor of Review of Economics of the Household and Fellow of IZA, CES (Center for European Studies) at NYU and the Italian Academy at Columbia University. She has been President of ESPE in 2000.

Christian Dustmann: He is Professor at the Department of Economics, University College London. He is also Director of CReAM, the Centre for Research and Analysis of Migration. He has a Ph.D. in Economics from the European University Institute (1992), and received his "Habilitation" from the University of Bielefeld in 1997. He is an editor of the Journal of Population Economics, and research fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London, the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), and a research associate of the

Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), London. His main research interests are in population economics (migration, economics of the family), and labour economics (education, wage structures, and earnings mobility), and he has widely published in these areas.

Wilbert van der Klaauw is a Professor of Economics at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a Research Fellow at the Carolina Population Center, the ISER (University of Essex) and CHILD (University of Turin). He received his Ph.D. in Economics at Brown University, and has been a regular ESPE conference participant since then. His research interests include the study of life cycle labor supply and occupational choice decisions, the economic determinants of household formation and dissolution, and the study of educational investment and productivity. Another area of his research has been the development and application of alternative estimation strategies for evaluating the impact of social programs or interventions on individual choice behavior and outcomes, with a particular focus on the applicability of the Regression-Discontinuity approach. Van der Klaauw serves as an Associate Editor for the Journal of Business and Economic Statistics. His recent publications include articles in the International Economic Review, Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, the Economic Journal, and The Review of Economics and Statistics.

Alf Erling Risa (born 1952): Professor of economics, and presently dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Bergen. He is affiliated with Centre for Economic Studies of Social Insurance and Programme for Health Economics, both at the University of Bergen, CESifo, and IZA. Research interests include theoretical and applied analyses of social insurance and the welfare state, economic policy towards accident prevention, evaluation studies in health economics, and intergenerational distribution and pension policies. He has published in journals such as Journal of Population Economics, Economic Journal, Journal of Health Economics, Public Choice, Southern Economic Journal, Scandinavian Journal of Economics and European Sociological Review.

Winter-Ebmer Rudolf: Assoc. Prof. of Economics, University of Linz, Austria and Research Professor at Institute of Advanced Studies (HIS), Vienna. Born 1961, PhD (1991) and Habilitation (1996) in Economics, University of Linz. Previous visiting positions or teaching positions: University of California, Berkeley 1995-96, University of Graz 1998, University of Zurich 1999 and 2001, Université de Paris II 2000, University of Innsbruck 2001, University of Vienna, 2003.

Further affiliations : since 1992 Research Fellow with the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) London, since 1998 Research Fellow with the Institute for the Future of Labor (IZA), Bonn, ESPE Secretary 1998-2004.

Expertise and recent research:

Labour economics in general, evaluation of economic and social policy, wage determination, discrimination, migration, retirement, unemployment, education, unemployment benefit regulation.

Recent major publications:

American Economic Review, Journal of Labor Economics, European Economic Review, Journal of Law and Economics, Economica, Oxford Economic Papers, Labour Economics, Journal of Population Economics.

8. Call for papers: 1st International Conference on e-Social Science

Call for papers for the 1st International Conference on e-Social Science. The conference will be held in Manchester, UK on the 22nd - 24th June 2005 and will bring together members of the social science and Grid community. Details of the call can be found on the website at <http://www.ncess.ac.uk>

9. Call for Papers: 8th IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics

Call for papers for the 8th IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics, April 18-24, 2005, at Buch, Ammersee Lake, Germany The IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics was created in 1998, as an annual event taking place at the conference center of Deutsche Post at the Ammersee Lake (near Munich) in Bavaria, Germany. The Summer School is supported by the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), the European Economic Association (EEA), the European Association of Labour Economists (EALE), and the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE). It is funded by the European Union, under the Sixth Framework Programme, Marie Curie Conferences and Training Courses.

The objective of the Summer School is to bring together a large number of PhD students and senior lecturers to study new areas in labor economics. Students have the opportunity to present their work and discuss ideas with established researchers in a relaxed and open atmosphere.

The School is open to advanced graduate students from European universities, or Europeans studying abroad, engaged in the preparation of a doctoral dissertation or approaching that stage. Around 35 students will be selected, based on their preparation to participate in advanced study on the subject.

Lecturers:

Frank Vella (European University Institute) "Semiparametric Estimation of Micro Econometric Models"

Patricia Apps (University of Sydney) "Modeling the Labor Supply of Multiperson Households"

Funding:

Local expenses and traveling are covered.

Application:

Submissions to participate should reach IZA no later than February 4, 2005. Please submit your CV, one letter of support from your PhD supervisor and an abstract for a potential presentation of your research work. Those who are invited to present a paper should deliver a complete paper by March 18, 2005. Applications should be sent to:

Ana Rute Cardoso

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IZA, P.O. Box 7240, D-53072 Bonn, Germany

10. CALL for Papers EALE/SOLE World conference 2005

The 2005 world conference will take place at the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, USA from 2-5 June, 2005. On the occasion of the world conference the associations of labour economists of both sides of the Atlantic will meet for the second time, organising a joint programme, where more than 400 papers can be presented. You are invited to send in papers for submission. Papers are invited in any area of labour economics. The EALE scientific committee will evaluate all submitted papers. Those who wish to present a paper are requested to send full (draft) papers to the EALE Secretariat, Maastricht, up to and including November 1st, 2004. If you are interested in attending the conference please complete the on-line provisional registration <http://www.eale.nl/conference/2005/reg_www2005.htm> form and we will keep you informed. Papers accepted for presentation can be submitted for consideration for publication in the annual Conference Volume of the journal "Labour Economics", edited

in 2005 by Professor Regina Riphahn. Further information concerning submission rules and deadline will be given in the letter of acceptance.

11. Call for papers: The Rationale of Parenthood Choices

University of Pau (France), March 4-5, 2005

Scientific Committee (provisional):

Jacques LE CACHEUX (CATT/UPPA and OFCE) and Danièle MEULDERS (ULB/DULBEA).

Miriam BEBLO (Berlin School of Economics and ZEW, Mannheim), Jérôme DE HENAU (ULB/DULBEA), Daniela DEL BOCA (U. Torino/CHILD), Jeanne FAGNANI (U. Paris 1), Janet GORNICK (City U. New York), Siv GUSTAFSSON (U. Amsterdam), Maia GÜELL (U. Barcelona), Adriaan KALWIJ (U. Tilburg), Marie-Thérèse LETABLIER (CEE), Jane LEWIS (U. Oxford), Margaret MARUANI (Iresco/MAGE), Antoine MATH (IRES), Monique MERON (DARES), Síle O'DORCHAI (ULB/DULBEA), Hélène PERIVIER (OFCE), Henri SERBAT (AEA, Paris), Nina SMITH (Aarhus School of Business), Haris SYMEONIDOU (EKKE, Athens), Jane WALDFOGEL (Columbia U. New York), Cécile WETZELS (U. Amsterdam).

Organisational Committee:

Frédéric DIVIALLE (FédEco), Anne PERRIN (CATT/UPPA).

Attitudes towards parenthood are at the core of all economic and social problems raised by the decline in fertility rates and the ageing process of Europe's population.

In this context, the question of the influence of labour market conditions on fertility choices and the question of the adequacy of public policies in order to facilitate the combination between employment and parenthood have to be raised.

These have been the central question of the MOCHO research project (**Motherhood choices: The influence of employment conditions and of public policies¹**) during the last three years. The aim of the project was to study how the motherhood decision is affected by labour market conditions and how public policies can be designed in order to promote parenthood by dual career couples, which is becoming the normal way of life in the European Union's member states.

To go beyond the issues raised within this project and to establish a general state of the art of where research stands in this domain as well as to broaden the perspective, a call for papers

¹ EC Commission funded project n° HPSE-CT2001-00096, <http://www.ulb.ac.be/soco/mocho/>

has proven an interesting method. The call involves the following themes which are often interdependent:

- Household decision-making analyses
- Family policy: design and evaluation
- Labour market conditions and fertility
- Parenthood and earnings
- Timing of parenthood
- Future employment and demographic trends

Papers need to conform to the tradition of conferences organised by the Applied Econometrics Association and need to be based on a rigorous scientific analysis of data.

If you wish to present a paper, then submit the full paper (preferably) or a one page summary by filling the "Paper Registration" sheet on the Conference Web site (<http://www.aea.FedEco.org/2005Pau/fr>) no later than December 12, 2004.

Decisions of the scientific committee concerning the papers to be presented will be sent to the authors by January 15, 2005.

Working languages during the Conference will be English and French.

12. Call for Papers: Workshop on Education and Training

Workshop on "Education and Training: Markets and Institutions", at Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim, 18/19 March 2005
Scientific committee: Christian Dustmann (University College London), Bernd Fitzenberger (Goethe-University Frankfurt), Stephen Machin (University College London/London School of Economics) Keynote speakers: David Card and Rick Hanushek. Purpose of the workshop: The purpose of the workshop is to focus upon current empirical research on economic aspects of education and training, including the role of markets and institutions, and to offer policy implications. Deadline for paper submission: **20 January 2005**, Decision for acceptance made by: **10 February 2005**

Please send a title and a paper/abstract (paper preferred) as electronic copy to Birgit Herrmann bherrmann@wiwi.uni-frankfurt.de. We will pay travel and accommodation for invited speakers. The conference will be sponsored through the research network "Potentials for flexibility in heterogeneous labor markets" (Flexibilisierungspotenziale bei heterogenen Arbeitsmärkten) by the German Science Foundation.

13. Workshop: 2005 Luxembourg Income Study Summer Workshop

The Luxembourg Income Study has made comparable over 130 large microdata sets containing comprehensive measures of income and economic well-being for a set of 29 modern industrialized welfare states. The LIS databank currently covers countries including: Australia, Austria, Belgium, Canada, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Luxembourg, Mexico, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Romania, Russia, the Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The LIS Summer Workshop is a one-week pre- and post-doctoral workshop designed to introduce young scholars in the social sciences to comparative research in income distribution and social policy using the LIS database. The 2005 Summer Workshop, our 17th such event, will be held in Luxembourg. Arrival will be the evening of Sunday, July 10 and departure the afternoon of Saturday, July 16. Tuition of €1,200 will cover instructional materials, accommodations, and full board. Transportation to and from Luxembourg is the responsibility of the student. Applications are available from the LIS homepage at: <http://www.lisproject.org/workshop.htm> and are due by April 15, 2005. Please note that space is limited.

The language of instruction will be English. The course of study will include a mix of lectures and assistance and direction using the LIS database to explore a research issue chosen by the participant. Workshop faculty will include the entire LIS staff (including Timothy Smeeding, Overall Project Director; Janet Gornick, Associate Project Director, Markus Jäntii, LIS Research Director; and John Coder, LIS Technical Director) and other experienced LIS users.

For more information about the workshop, please contact:

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For information about the LIS Project, see <http://www.lisproject.org/>.

14. Fellowship:

Postdoc / Doctoral Student

At the University of Erlangen-Nuremberg (Germany) at the chair for Empirical Economics of Prof. Regina T. Riphahn, Ph.D. postdoctoral researcher and doctoral student positions are to be filled, April 1, 2005 or later.

Candidates should have a PhD or an excellent master equivalent degree in economics or statistics, and should be able to speak German. They should have demonstrated research skills and a strong interest in applied econometrics, social policy, labor, personnel, or population economics. Applications should include a cover letter, curriculum vitae, and for postdoc candidates a research paper. In addition, two letters of recommendation are required and may be faxed to 0041 - 61 - 267 3351 or be submitted by mail or email to the address below. Please send your application prior to December 15, 2004. Applications will be considered until the positions are filled.

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15. New Books:

Torben Tranæs and Klaus F. Zimmermann: The recently published book *Migrants, Work, and the Welfare State*, edited by Torben Tranæs and Klaus F. Zimmermann, covers a broad range of questions on the integration of immigrants in the welfare states, and provides new evidence for this purpose. The book is the result of a successful co-operative venture between the Rockwool Foundation Research Unit (RFF) in Copenhagen and IZA Bonn. Based on representative surveys on the same non-Western immigrant groups in Denmark and Germany, the book presents the results of a comprehensive comparative study on the labor market integration in these two welfare societies. These surveys, conducted specifically for this project, cover a series of areas for which no information had been previously available. Researchers from RFF and IZA analyze important questions on education, training, employment and income prospects, self-employment probabilities, crime, and the financial sustainability of the welfare state. The project is the work of a number of leading researchers in the fields of migration and labor economics. Contributions are from Thomas Bauer, Amelie Constant, Horst Entorf, Christer Gerdes, Claus Larsen, Poul Chr. Matthiessen, Niels-Kenneth Nielsen, Marie Louise Schultz-Nielsen, and Eskil Wadensjö. The book is published by University Press of Southern Denmark: Odense 2004; it is available at 298 DKK (approx. 40 €). For more infor-

mation on obtaining the book follow the link at: <http://www.universitypress.dk/eng/>