

# First annual CEP-IFS labour conference

Bringing together leading researchers and junior scholars to discuss frontier research in labour economics.

Monday 15 - Tuesday 16 June 2026, The Institute for Fiscal Studies, 2 Marylebone Road, London, NW1 4DF

## Day one, Monday 15 June

09:00	<b>Welcome</b>
	<b>Keynote</b>
09:15	<b>The returns to international migration in a free mobility setting: evidence from Austria and Germany</b> Presenter: <b>Andrea Weber</b> (Central European University)
	<b>Presentations</b>
10:00	<b>Refugees' right to work: efficiency and equity in host country labor markets</b> Presenter: <b>Sarah Winton</b> (London School of Economics)
10:40	<b>Agglomeration, segregation and imperial origins</b> Presenter: <b>Martina Viarengo</b> (Geneva Graduate Institute)
11:20	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Presentations</b>
11:30	<b>TBC : Long run impacts of labor market investments during recessionary periods</b> Presenter: <b>Allison Green</b> (CEP, London School of Economics)
12:10	<b>Building the knowledge economy: the GI Bill and racial inequality</b> Presenter: <b>Christiane Szerman</b> (CEP, London School of Economics)
12:50	<b>Heuristic self-evaluation in high-stakes decisions: fields of study and long-term earnings</b> Presenter: <b>Yoav Goldstein</b> (Tel Aviv University)
13:30	<b>Lunch</b>
	<b>Presentations</b>
14:30	<b>The asymmetric effect of wage floors: a natural experiment with a rising and falling minimum wage</b> Presenter: <b>Jon Piqueras</b> (IFS, University Carlos III Madrid and RF Berlin)
15:10	<b>Minimum wages, earnings, and worker-firm sorting</b> Presenter: <b>Suphanit Piyapromdee</b> (University College London)
15:50	<b>Break</b>
	<b>Presentations</b>
16:00	<b>Organizing expertise with externalities: evidence from primary care</b> Presenter: <b>Guy Michaels</b> (CEP, London School of Economics)
16:40	<b>Managing innovation in firms</b> Presenter: <b>Isabela Manelici</b> (CEP, London School of Economics)
17:20	<b>Close of day one</b>

## Day two, Tuesday 16 June

### Keynote

- 09:30** **Classical questions in family economics revisited: The role of complex family structures**  
Presenter: **Katrin Løken** (Norwegian School of Economics)

### Presentations

- 10:15** **Welfare reform and education requirements for parents: evidence from Denmark**  
Presenter: **Barra Roantree** (IFS and Trinity College Dublin)
- 10:55** **Residential location choice, family ties, and labor supply**  
Presenter: **Hadar Avivi** (IFS and University College London)

### 11:25 Break

### Presentations

- 11:40** **Price discovery in labor markets: why do firms say they cannot find workers?**  
Presenter: **Ben Friedrich** (Northwestern University)
- 12:20** **The role of unions in labor markets with informality: Evidence from Brazil**  
Presenter: **Nikita Kohli** (Haas School of Business, University of California, Berkeley)

### 13:00 Lunch

### Presentations

- 14:00** **Gender diversity and decision-making in teams**  
Presenter: **Viola Salvestrini** (Bocconi University)
- 14:40** **The role of employment and employers in mental health**  
Presenter: **Marco Manacorda** (Queen Mary University of London)

### Keynote

- 15:20** **The class gap in career progression**  
Presenter: **Anna Stansbury** (Massachusetts Institute of Technology)

### 16:05 Close

### Presentation format

- 40 minutes for each presenter (including questions from the floor)