“UNIONS AND THE POLITICS OF INEQUALITY”

Preliminary Workshop Program
Location: University of Geneva (rooms to be announced)

April 13, 2018

9.30-10.00 Introduction

10.00-12.00 Panel #1: Unionization revisited as an outcome
John Ahlquist (UC Sand Diego), "Using the China Shock to learn about unionization and using unionization to learn about the China Shock."

Magnus Rasmussen (Institute for Social Research, Oslo), “Institutions (still) rule: Labor market centralization and trade union organization.”

Discussant: Lucio Baccaro (Geneva)

13.30-15.30 Panel #2: Union organization, distributive norms and policy preferences
Dennie Oude Nijhuis (Leiden), "Labor Unions and the politics of postwar wage compression: An comparison of the Netherlands and the United Kingdom."

Nadja Mosimann (Geneva) and Jonas Pontusson (Geneva), “Union membership and support for redistribution: Within-country heterogeneity.”

Discussant: Ahlquist

16.00-18.00 Panel #3: Unions as political actors
Michael Becher (Institute for Advanced Study, Toulouse) and Konstantin Käppner (Konstanz), “Labor unions and unequal representation.”

Arianna Tassinari (Warwick) and Philip Rathgeb (Konstanz), “Organized Labor and the Eurozone crisis.”

Discussant: Baccaro

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9.00-11.00 Panel #4: Union membership and voting
Nadja Mosimann (Geneva), “Unions as agents of electoral mobilization in times of inequality.”

Line Rennwald (Geneva) and Jonas Pontusson (Geneva), “Paper Stones revisited: Class voting, unionization and the decline of the mainstream Left.”

Discussant: Ahlquist

11.30-12.30 Wrap-up discussion