

# International Comparative (Adult) Education Research: Multidisciplinary and Cross-National Research Approaches

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## Conference Language:

English

The international academic conference addresses issues regarding the state and prospects of international comparative (adult) education research. The focus will be on theoretical and methodological approaches, based on international comparative research works. As international comparative educational research is a multi-, even an inter-disciplinary field of research, the conference will harvest the potential of multi-disciplinary approaches. The purpose of the conference is to discuss the basic scientific preconditions for theoretically grounded and methodically sound international comparative research in the field of (adult) education.

Online registration available: <http://www.die-bonn.de/weiterbildung/veranstaltungskalender/Details.aspx?id=630>

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## PROGRAMME

### Monday, September 12

09:45	Registration
10:45	<p>Welcome Address Prof. Josef Schrader, German Institute for Adult Education (DIE) Prof. Josef Schmid, University of Tuebingen</p> <p>Moderation Prof. Tom Sork, University of British Columbia</p>
11:00	<p>Session I: New paradigms in comparing education policy Keynote Speaker: Prof. em. John Field, University of Stirling Discussant: Dr. Antoni Verger, Autonomous University of Barcelona</p>
12:00	<p>Session II: Large scale assessments and international comparative research: Chances and challenges for education research Keynote Speaker: William Thorn, Organisation for Economic Co-Operation and Development (OECD) Discussant: Prof. Rudolf Tippelt, University of Munich</p>
13:00	Lunch
14:00	<p>Session III: Comparative research on participation in adult education: Explaining unequal chances Keynote Speaker: Dr. Ellen Boeren, University of Edinburgh Discussant: Prof. Elina Kilpi-Jakonen, University of Turku</p>
15:00	<p>Session IV: Cross-country analysis of the effects of upper secondary education and training systems and characteristics on skills level distribution Keynote Speaker: Prof. Andy Green, University College London Discussant: Prof. Ellu Saar, Tallinn University</p>
16:00	Coffee Break
16:30	<p>Session V: Labour market returns to education and the skills implications of current economic developments: Evidence from international comparisons Keynote Speaker: Prof. Harry Anthony Patrinos, World Bank Discussant: Dr. Friederike Behringer, Federal Institute for Vocational Education and Training</p>
17:30	End of first day
19:30	Dinner

## PROGRAMME

Tuesday, September 13

- 09:15                      Session VI: Indicators of quality: Comparing educational systems from a life-span perspective  
Keynote Speaker: Prof. Kai Schnabel Cortina, University of Michigan  
Discussant: Prof. Hubert Ertl, University of Oxford
- 10:15                      Session VII: The contribution of comparative welfare state research on (adult) education research  
Keynote Speaker: Prof. Marius R. Busemeyer, University of Konstanz  
Discussant: Prof. Manos Matsaganis, Politecnico di Milano
- 11:15                      Coffee Break
- 11:45                      Session VIII:  
Comparative Adult Education: Theoretical assumptions and empirical evidence from cross-country comparisons  
Keynote Speaker: Prof. John Holford, University of Nottingham  
Discussant: Prof. Michael Schemmann, University of Cologne
- 12:45                      Lunch
- 13:45                      Round Table Discussion:  
International and comparative adult education research:  
Taking stock and looking ahead  
Speakers:  
Prof. Bernhard Schmid-Hertha, University of Tuebingen  
Prof. Bernd K pplinger, University of Giessen  
Prof. Katarina Popovi c, University of Belgrade  
Prof. Regina Egetenmeyer, University of Wuerzburg  
Moderation: Prof. Ekkehard Nuissl, University of Kaiserlautern/  
University of Florence
- 14:45                      Conclusions and Outlook:  
Prof. Josef Schrader, German Institute for Adult Education (DIE)
- 15:00                      End of Conference

Timing for sessions:

20 minutes presentation - 10 minutes discussant - 30 minutes plenary discussion