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8-8:30 a.m. Registration and coffee

8:30-8:45 a.m. Welcome and introduction of center directors:

Mark J. Warshawsky, Deputy Commissioner, Retirement and Disability Policy, Social Security Administration

8:45-10:15 a.m. Panel 1: Trends, Informing Long-term Forecasts

Session moderator: John Laitner, Michigan Retirement and Disability Research Center

“Trends in Disability and the Use of Disability Insurance”
John Bound (University of Michigan), HwaJung Choi (University of Michigan), Robert Schoeni (University of Michigan), Timothy Waidmann* (Urban Institute)

“The Impact of the Great Recession on SSDI Awards: A Birth Cohort Analysis”
Michael Anderson* (Mathematica), Yonatan Ben-Shalom (Mathematica), David Stapleton (Boston College), and Emily Roessel (SSA)

“Changing Labor Markets and Mental Illness: Impacts on Work and Disability”
Richard Frank* (Harvard University), Sherry Glied (New York University), Keith Marple (Harvard and Brandeis)

“Forecasting Survival by Socioeconomic Status and Implications for Social Security Benefits”
Péter Hudomiet (RAND), Michael Hurd* (RAND), Susann Rohwedder (RAND)

10:15-10:30 a.m. Break

10:30-noon Panel 2: Program and Policy Interactions and Incentives

Session moderator: Jason Fichtner, Johns Hopkins

“The Impact of the Minimum Wage on DI Participation”
Gary Engelhardt* (Syracuse University)
“The Effect of the Delayed Retirement Credit on Social Security Claiming and Employment”
Mark Duggan* (Stanford), Irena Dushi (SSA), Gina Li (Stanford), Sookyo Jeong (Stanford)

“Does Student Loan Forgiveness Drive Disability Application?”
Philip Armour* (RAND) and Melanie Zaber (RAND)

“A Meta-analysis of the Decline in the Labor Force Participation Rate”
Ananth Seshadri* (University of Wisconsin–Madison)

Noon-12:30 p.m.
Break: Box lunches will be available in the lobby.

12:30 p.m.
Lunchtime speaker: Ron Haskins, Brookings Institute, “The Evidence-Based Policymaking Act”

1:15-2:45 p.m.
Panel 3: Measurement of Well-being in Retirement
Session moderator: Irena Dushi, Social Security Administration

“Trends in Retirement Income Adequacy: Evidence from IRS Tax Data”
John Beshears (Harvard), James J. Choi* (Yale), David Laibson (Harvard), Shanthi Ramnath (U.S. Department of the Treasury)

“The Impacts of Payday Loan Use on the Financial Well-being of OASDI and SSI Beneficiaries”
Haydar Kurban* (Howard University), Nyanya Browne (Howard University), Bahareh Eftekthari (Howard University)

“Inattentive Households and Consumption Declines during Retirement”
Sheng Guo (Florida International), Jonathan Skinner* (Dartmouth), Stephen P. Zeldes (Columbia University)

“Pension Reform and Return to Work Policies”
Maria Fitzpatrick* (Cornell University)

3-4:30 p.m.
Panel 4: International Data
Session moderator: Ben Danforth, Social Security Administration

Axel Börsch-Supan (Max Planck), Courtney Coile* (Wellesley College), Jonathan Cribb (Inst. for Fiscal Studies), Carl Emmerson (Inst. for Fiscal Studies), Yuri Pettinicchi (Max Planck)

“Public Pension Design and Household Retirement Decisions: Cross-national Comparisons”
David Knapp* (RAND), Jinkook Lee (University of Southern California), Maciej Lis (OECD), Drystan Phillips (University of Southern California)

“The Effect of Relabeling and Incentives on Retirement: Evidence from a Pension Reform”
Jonathan Gruber* (MIT), Ohto Kanninen (Labor Institute for Economic Research)

“Interest Rate Trends in a Global Context: Expanding the Evidence Base for Forecasting”
Dmitriy Stolyarov* (University of Michigan), Linda Tesar (University of Michigan)
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8-8:30 a.m.  Registration and coffee

8:30-10 a.m.  Panel 5: Preparation for Retirement

Session moderator:  **John Sabelhaus**, Federal Reserve Board

“Why Are 401(k)/IRA Balances Substantially Below Potential?”
Andrew G. Biggs (American Enterprise Institute), Alicia H. Munnell (Boston College), **Anqi Chen** (Boston College)

“Auto-enrollment Retirement Plans for the People: Choices and Outcomes in OregonSaves”
John Chalmers (University of Oregon), Olivia S. Mitchell (University of Pennsylvania), Jonathan Reuter (Boston College), Geoffrey T. Sanzenbacher (Boston College), **Mingli Zhong** (University of Pennsylvania)

“Debt Stress and Mortgage Borrowing in Older Age: Implications for Economic Security in Retirement”
Donald Haurin (Ohio State), Cäzilia Loibl (Ohio State), **Stephanie Moulton** (Ohio State)

“Measuring Racial/Ethnic Retirement Wealth Inequality”
Wenliang Hou (Boston College), **Geoffrey T. Sanzenbacher** (Boston College)

10-10:15 a.m.  Break

10:15-11:45 a.m.  Panel 6: SSI and SSDI

Session moderator:  **Manasi Deshpande**, University of Chicago

“Housing Assistance and SSI Participation”
**Erik Hembre** (University of Illinois–Chicago), Carly Urban (Montana State University), Lucie Schmidt (Williams)

“Incentives for Home- and Community-based Care Under the Affordable Care Act: Implications for Supplemental Security Income Receipt”
Mary Hamman (University of Wisconsin–La Crosse), Brooke Helppie-McFall (University of Michigan), **Daniela Hochfellner** (New York University)

“Grading Medicaid: Fiscal Federalism and Social Insurance in the United States”
**Timothy Layton** (Harvard), Nicole Maestas (Harvard), Daniel Prinz (Harvard), Mark Shepard (Harvard), Boris Vabson (Harvard)
“Economic Opportunity and Spatial Variation in Self-Reported Disability and Receipt of SSI & SSDI”  
Rourke O’Brien* (University of Wisconsin–Madison)

11:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.  Break: Box lunches will be available in the lobby. A poster session featuring research by RDRC-sponsored fellows takes place in the Holeman Lounge. See below for more information.

12:15 p.m.  Lunchtime speaker: Andrew Biggs, American Enterprise Institute, “Now Is Your Time: The Need for Experts to Weigh in on the Retirement Policy Debate”

1-2:30 p.m.  Panel 7: Opioids, Work Capacity  
Session moderator: Kate Bent, Social Security Administration

“Trends in Opioid Use Among Social Security Disability Insurance Applicants”  
April Yanyuan Wu (Mathematica), Denise Hoffman* (Mathematica), Paul O’Leary (SSA)

“Is the Rise in Illicit Opioids Affecting Labor Supply and Disability Claiming Rates?”  
Sujeong Park (RAND), David Powell* (RAND)

“Socioeconomic Status, Perceptions of Pain, and the Gradient in Disability Insurance”  
David Cutler* (Harvard), Ellen Meara (Dartmouth), Susan Stewart (NBER)

“Latent Work Capacity and Retirement Expectations”  
Italo Lopez Garcia (RAND), Nicole Maestas (Harvard), Kathleen Mullen* (RAND)

2:30 p.m.  Closing comments

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Lunchtime Poster Sessions

Joelle Abramowitz (Boston), “New Insights on Self-employment among Older Adults in the United States”

Briana Ballis (Boston), “The Long-Run Impacts of Special Education”

Martha Susana Jaimes (Boston), “Are the Social Security’s Actuarial Adjustments Regressive? The Effect of Differential Mortality Rates by Claim Age”


Michael Stepner (NBER), “The Long-Term Externalities of Short-Term Disability Insurance”


Kevin Wood (Boston), “Health Insurance Reform and Retirement: Evidence from the Affordable Care Act”