

2024 Measuring Progress Annual Workshop



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This international workshop will bring together **leading scholars and practitioners** to discuss the quest for better lives, **how to measure progress, and tools to lastingly increase quality of life. This workshop builds upon the [Measuring Progress Seminar Series](#), extending it to an in-person event to facilitate community building and the exchange of ideas.**

The workshop will take place over two days, and it will feature two keynote speeches, numerous presentations, and a social dinner. All sessions will be plenary, and streamed online to facilitate remote attendance. Speakers will have approximately 25 minutes for presentation and discussion.

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Thursday 06			Friday 07		
All	Day	Registration			
9:15	9:30	Welcoming Coffee	09:30	10:30	Keynote Koen Decancq
9:30	10:00	Opening Remarks	10:30	10:35	Short Break
10:00	11:00	Keynote Tessa Peasgood	10:35	11:50	Plenary 4
11:00	11:20	Coffee Break	11:50	12:10	Coffee Break
11:20	13:00	Plenary 1	12:10	13:00	Plenary 5
13:00	14:30	Lunch	13:00	14:30	Lunch
14:30	16:10	Plenary 2	14:30	16:10	Plenary 6
16:10	16:30	Coffee Break	16:10	16:30	Coffee Break
16:30	18:10	Plenary 3	16:30	18:10	Plenary 7
			18:10	18:20	Closing and Farewell
			19:30		Social Dinner Porta Nova





Thursday 6 June

All day registration

09:15 09:30 Welcoming Coffee

09:30 10:00 Opening address

10:00 11:00 Keynote: Tessa Peasgood

“Measuring progress: Lessons from measuring health related quality of life”

11:00 11:20 Coffee Break

11:20 13:00 Plenary 1

“Causes and Consequences of Well-being”

Shanfei Zhang

Investigating the Relationship between Migrants’ Mobility and Life Satisfaction

Malgorzata Mikucka

Revisiting the relationship between income inequality and happiness: New insights from the Social Data Recycling (SDR) program

Marija Bockarjova

Quadruple helix of well-being, productivity, sustainability, and inclusiveness: a systematic literature review

Lucia Macchia **[chair]**

Physical pain predicts job loss especially for those with low job control: Longitudinal analysis of adults in the United States and Australia

13:00 14:30 Lunch



14:30 16:10 Plenary 2

“Well-being Measures”

Talita Greyling

Development and validation of a happiness index using Google Trends™

Mark Fabian

Evidence against the simple validity of life satisfaction scales from cognitive interviews

Alberto Prati

How comparable is life satisfaction data from different surveys?

Martijn Burger [chair]

The comparability of differently worded subjective well-being measures

16:10 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 18:10 Plenary 3

“Social Cohesion”

Alessio Rebecchi

Loneliness during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Francis Munier

You recognize me, I am happy!

Roger Fernandez-Urbano

Dancing in the Dark: Social Life and Life Satisfaction in Times of Economic Prosperity and Crisis

Catherine Coron [chair]

Wellbeing, Trust and Public Policies in France and in the UK: Fading trust since the Subprime Crisis?



Friday 7 June

09:30 10:30 Keynote: Koen Decancq

“Self-reported well-being and interpersonal well-being comparisons with respect for preferences”

10:30 10:35 Short Break

10:35 11:50 Plenary 4

“Measurement Methods”

Ana Fredrich-Queiroz

Developing a computational model of risk preference concerning trade-offs in well-being

Anthony Lepinteur

Fantastic wellbeing results and where to find them

Caspar Kaiser [chair]

Reversing the Reversal? A Systematic Reappraisal of Economic Wellbeing Research

11:50 12:10 Coffee Break

12:10 13:00 Plenary 5

“The Social Transformation”

Gabriel Augusto Leite Mota

4DW: more happiness or more inequality? A preliminary critical assessment

Simone D'Alessandro [chair]

Reimagining Progress: Exploring the Interplay of Working Time Reduction and Public Service Provision in eco-social transformation

13:00 14:30 Lunch

14:30 16:10 Plenary 6

“Institutional Well-being Initiatives”

Chiara Peroni

Are happy people successful entrepreneurs?

Giulia de Candia

Reporting equitable and sustainable well-being at local level: the BesT 2023 reports



Iryna Kyzyma and Somia Salah

Measuring well-being in schools in Luxembourg: Challenges and opportunities

Nikita Strelkovskii [chair]

Unpacking National Well-being System: An Exploratory Data Analysis of OECD How's Life Indicators

16:10 16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 18:10 Plenary 7

“Determinants of Well-being”

Andreas Knabe

Is a Sorrow Shared a Sorrow Doubled? Parental Unemployment and the Life Satisfaction of Adolescent Children

Chris Barrington-Leigh

High life satisfaction reported among small-scale societies with low incomes

Samuel Dupret

Wellbeing priorities in the real world: The cost-effectiveness of psychotherapy in low- and middle-income countries

Chiara Costi [chair]

Healthcare Workers and Life Satisfaction during the Pandemic

18:10 18:20 Closing and Farewell

19:30 Social Dinner at “Porta Nova”





TESSA PEASGOOD

University of Sheffield, UK

Measuring progress: Lessons from measuring health related quality of life

This presentation will explore whether the field of measuring progress and wellbeing can better capitalise on existing methods and tools developed for the economic evaluation of health and social care.

I will discuss six areas that could apply to wellbeing research in which health researchers do well:

1. proximity to the needs of decision makers
2. engagement with the public as co-producers in research
3. inclusion of patient and public views in determining what matters
4. presentation of outcomes as single index
5. the application of psychometrics and qualitative evidence in the development and testing of measures
6. rigorous assessment of the robustness of recommendations against assumptions underlying outcomes measures.

Health outcomes measures, such as the Quality Adjusted Life Year, can effectively capture aspects of individual lives that are not going well. If, as I will argue, the primary role of government in the space of wellbeing is the alleviation of suffering, then the tool kit of the health economist could be more widely employed.

Tessa Peasgood is a health economist and senior lecturer at the University of Sheffield. Her research interests lie predominantly in measuring and valuing health and wellbeing and the use of outcomes within health technology appraisal. As a mixed methods researcher she applies both qualitative and quantitative techniques to the development, testing and valuation of patient reported outcome measures. She has a PhD in health economics from Imperial College, London and is a member of the EuroQol group.



Self-reported well-being and interpersonal well-being comparisons with respect for preferences

This presentation studies the problem of making interpersonal well-being comparisons with respect for individual preferences. It critically evaluates the usefulness of the widely available self-reported well-being measures for preference-based well-being comparisons. In the first part, the direct application of self-reported measures is examined, revealing that they violate a fundamental requirement of respecting individual preferences in interpersonal comparisons. As an alternative, equivalent income is proposed as a well-being measure that aligns with this principle. However, its computation requires knowledge of individual preferences. The second part explores whether self-reported well-being data can provide the necessary information about preferences. Systematic variations in the use of the response scale are found to hinder the effectiveness of self-reported well-being data for this purpose. An alternative non-parametric elicitation method is therefore introduced to elicit preferences for well-being analysis: the Adaptive Bisectional Dichotomous Choice (ABDC) method. The presentation includes several empirical illustrations comparing the use of self-reported well-being measures with the proposed alternative approaches.

Koen Decancq is Professor at the Centre for Social Policy at the University of Antwerp (Belgium). He holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Leuven. He has been a visiting professor at the Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs of the University of Princeton and has been the Ludwig M. Lachmann Research Fellow at the London School of Economics. He is currently a fellow at the Department of Economics of the University of Leuven and at the Centre for Philosophy of Natural and Social Science at LSE. His research interests are in welfare economics, the measurement of (multidimensional) inequality, poverty, and well-being with a special focus on the incorporation of individual preferences and the role of social, ageing and well-being policies. He is an associate editor of *Social Choice and Welfare* (since 2020), the *Journal of Economic Inequality* (since 2019) and member of the Editorial Board of the *Review of Income and Wealth* (since 2018). He is the country team leader for Flanders for the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe (SHARE).



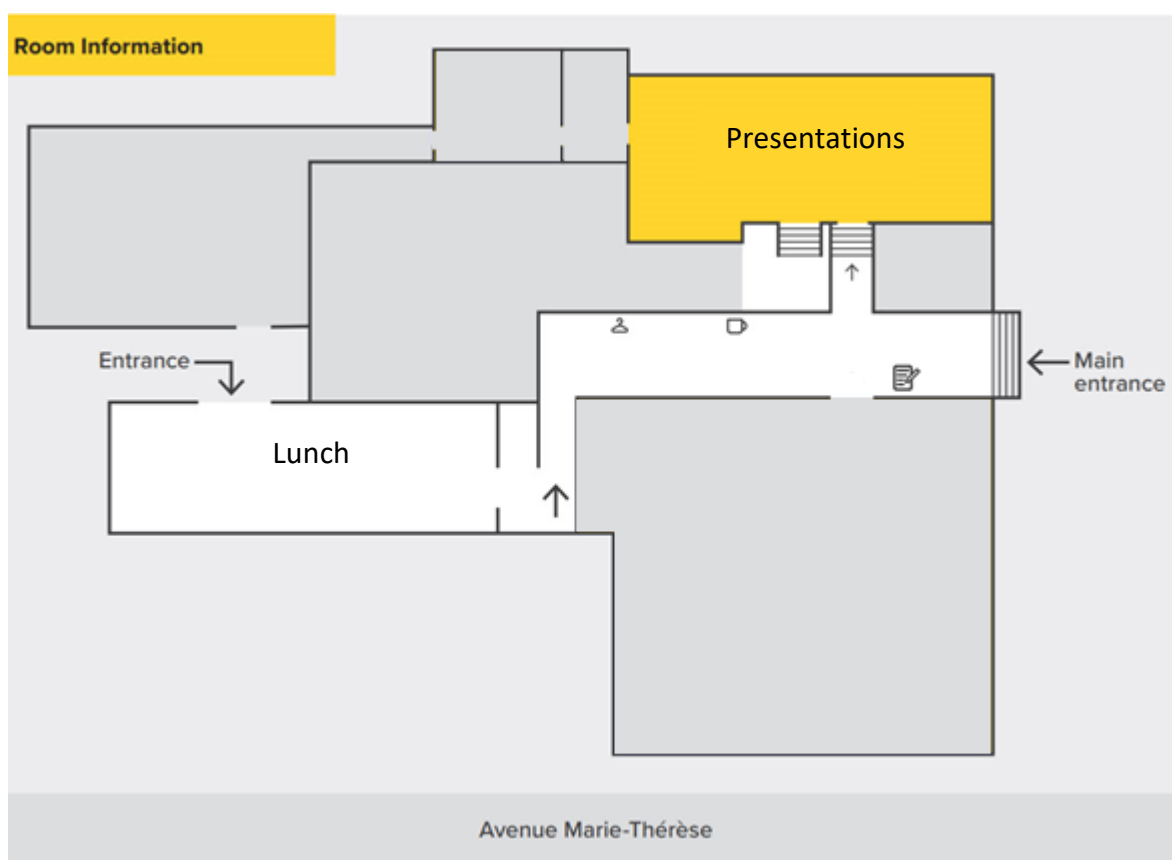


SESSION HOUSEKEEPING

- Presenters should arrive 10 minutes before the session starts in order to load their presentations;
- Please, bring your slideshow on a portable drive; you will not be able to connect your personal computer;
- Each speaker has 25 minutes in total. We recommend that presentations should be less than 18 minutes long, allowing for 7 minutes of Q&A;
- Each session will be recorded, shared virtually, and uploaded to our YouTube channel.

THE VENUE The conference will take place in Hotel Parc Belle-Vue, which is located in the heart of Luxembourg City.

5, avenue Marie-Thérèse, L-2132 Luxembourg



GETTING TO THE VENUE

All public transit is free of charge in Luxembourg.

Hamilius is the bus and tram station in the city centre, which is a 10-minute walk away from the hotel.

From the Central Train Station (Gare Centrale), the tram stops at Hamilius.

From the airport, the bus lines 6 and 16 stop at Hamilius.

The bus stop nearest to the Hotel is Belair Rheinsheim, which is located a 5-minute walk away. Bus line number 15 stops there. Please note, buses going in the other directions (from the hotel towards Hamilius) stop on a different street, which is right outside the venue.

The bus stop Monterey in the city centre (also near Hamilius), is a 10-minute walk away from the hotel. Numerous bus lines serve this stop.

For more information concerning bus routes and timetables in Luxembourg, see mobiliteit.lu.

Taxis cannot be hailed on the street in Luxembourg. There are specific taxi stands. WEBTAXI has an app and is typically less expensive.

If you come by car, the hotel car park is free of charge during the day, until 5 p.m.

GETTING TO THE SOCIAL DINNER AT RESTAURANT PORTA NOVA

The social dinner will take place at the restaurant “Porta Nova” (14 Avenue de la Faïencerie, 1510 Luxembourg), which is located in Luxembourg-City in the Limpertsberg district. From the conference venue, it is a 20 minute walk through the municipal park, or a 10 minute tram ride from Hamilius (stop “Limpertsberg, Faïencerie”).



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