



EINLADUNG ZUR NÄCHSTEN VERANSTALTUNG DES POTSDAM RESEARCH SEMINAR IN ECONOMICS

Wir laden Sie herzlich zur nächsten Veranstaltung des Potsdam Research Seminar in Economics am **20.10.2015** ein.

Das Seminar findet von **14.00 bis 16.00 Uhr** (c.t.) in Raum **3.06.S 27** statt.

Referent:

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Thema des Vortrages:

Weighting the Obvious?

Indexing Job Quality and the Effects of „Bad Jobs“ on Subjective Wellbeing in Kyrgyzstan

Abstract:

While there is broad agreement that job quality is a multidimensional concept, scholarship has tended to focus on how it should be measured, rather than on the effects of bad jobs. This deficit is particularly stark in the developing world, which has been almost entirely ignored to date due to a lack of suitable data. In this article, we pay homage to the wider literature, using subjective, objective and mixed approaches to measuring job quality but focus on the relationship between bad jobs and subjective well being in the developing world. Using unique household survey data from Kyrgyzstan, which includes the attributes of an individual's employment and his or her perceptions of which attributes contribute to good jobs, we generate four indices of job quality. Employing OLS and ordered probits, we show a positive relationship between job quality and subjective wellbeing. Testing equality of the coefficients from these analyses, we subsequently show that the scale, sign and significance of the relationships do not alter across different weighting mechanisms. We thus conclude that whilst it remains important to consider how to index job quality, lack of data should not be a continued barrier to further job quality research in developing countries.

Wir freuen uns auf Ihre Teilnahme.

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