

Invitation to research seminars spring 2013

Social-mechanism seminars

The social-mechanism seminar is an interdisciplinary research seminar. The presenters as well as the participants come from a wide variety of disciplines including sociology, economics, political science, mathematics, and computer science. In this seminar series, theoretical, methodological, and empirical work of importance for better understanding and forecasting social and economic change is presented.

The Origin of Status Inequality: A Simulation-Based Study

18 January | 12.30–14.00

Gianluca Manzo, Department of Sociology,
University of Paris-Sorbonne.

Human Empowerment and the Utility Ladder of Freedoms

25 January | 12.30–14.00

Christian Welzel, Center for the Study of
Democracy, Leuphana University.

Random Deviations and the Micro-Macro-Problem

1 February | 12.30–14.00

Michael Mäs, ETH Zürich.



Comparing Fictitious and Real Persons: Explaining the Unexplained Ethnic Labor Market Gap from Register Data. A Replication of a Randomized Field Experiment in Sweden

8 february | 12.30–14.00

Moa Bursell, Department of
Sociology, Stockholm University.



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The Naturalistic Fallacy Intuition

15 February | 12.30–14.00

Kimmo Eriksson, Mälardalen University.

Segregation and Urban Design: Does the Urban Structure Inhibit the Sharing of Public Space?

22 March | 12.30–14.00

Ann Legeby, KTH School of
Architecture.



Escaping Network Gravity: Lessons from Dynamic Network Research for Change and Innovation

12 April | 12.30–14.00

Balazs Vedres, Central European University.

To be announced

19 April 12.30–14.00

Jens Krause, Humboldt University, Berlin.

Social Capital and Inequality

26 April | 12.30–14.00

Mikael Bask, Department of Economics,
Uppsala University.

To be announced

3 May | 12.30–14.00

Michael Macy, Department of
Sociology, Cornell University.



To be announced

17 May | 12.30–14.00

Peter Gärdenfors, Lund University.

Seminars hosts are Peter Hedström, David Sumpter and Fredrik Liljeros from the Institute for Futures Studies. The seminars are free of charge and take place at the Institute, Holländargatan 13, Stockholm. Sandwiches will be served so please register no later than 11.00 a.m. the day before the seminar, if you would like to attend.

For registration: www.iffs.se/registration_socialmechanism.

Please spread information about the seminars to others in your department/institution.

Welcome!