Workshop on consumption and saving over the life cycle

PerCent, CBS, and the University of Iceland

Héraðsskólinn at Laugarvatn

25-26 August 2023

Friday 25 August

14.00-14.01 Gylfi Zoega, Welcome

Saving, consumption and pensions

- 14.01-14.45 **Arnaldur S. Stefánsson**, Gylfi Zoega and Sigurður P. Ólafsson: *Mortgage Relief and Household Saving: Evidence from a natural experiment in Iceland using Administrative Data*
- 14.45-15.30 **Sigurður P. Ólafsson**: The Persistent Effect of Uncertainty on Households' Consumption and Saving
- 15.30-15.45 Coffee break
- 15.45-16.30 Andri S. Scheving og Gylfi Zoega: The Effect of Adult Children's Wealth and Income on Saving in Retirement
- 16.30-17.15 Erla Björk Sigurðardóttir: Do Mandatory Pension Savings Cause Debt Accumulation? An Event Study Approach
- 17.15-18.00 Stephen Wright, What's the point of defined benefit schemes?
- 19.00-22.00 Dinner at Lindin, Laugarvatn

Saturday 26 August

Saving, consumption and pensions, continued

9.00-9.45 **Svend Hougaard Jensen:** *Home Equity as a Pension Device*

Central banking

- 9.45-10.30 Yunus Aksoy: Federal Reserve Chairs and Monetary Regimes
- 10.30-11.15 **Porsteinn S. Sveinsson**: Of Doves to Hawks: Strategic Voting in Monetary Policy Committees
- 11.15-11.30 Coffee break
- 11.30-12.15 Ásgerður Pétursdóttir: Central Bank Digital Currency: Efficiency and Risk Taking
- 12.15-13.15 Lunch
- 13.15-14.00 **Aðalheiður Ó. Guðlaugsdóttir**: HOUDYNI A Dynamic Model Featuring Housing and Borrowing for the Icelandic Economy

Other topics

- 14.00-14.45 **Tinna Ásgeirsdóttir**: *The Effect of Having a Child with a Disability on Repartnering*
- 14.45-15.30 Caroly St Aubyn: The Credit Card Debt Puzzle: New Facts and Theory
- 15.30-16.00 Coffee break
- 16.00-16.45 **Ásthildur M. Jóhannsdóttir, Gylfi Zoega**, Marco Francesconi and Tinna Ásgeirsdóttir: *The Effect of Covid on Student Performance*
- 16.45-17.30 Arnaldur S. Kristjánsson and Emil Dagsson: Intergenerational Mobility in Iceland: The Effects of Occupation and Education

17.30-17.45 Svend Hougaard Jensen: Summary and reflections

19.00-22.00 Dinner at restaurant Lindin, Laugarvatn



Participants

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Hotel

Friday: Aðalheiður, Andri, Smári, Sölvi, Ásgerður, Ásthildur, Carolyn, Erla, Marco, Sigurður, Stephen, Svend, Tinna, Þorsteinn, Yunus.

Saturday: Svend, Carolyn, Marco, Stephen, Yunus.