The Human Mortality Database

An HMD member-initiated meeting at the 2016 PAA conference

Wednesday March 30, 2016, 9:30 am-12:30 pm

Washington Marriott Wardman Park, Madison B (Mezzanine Level)

The HMD Project team is organizing an HMD Side Meeting titled "The Human Mortality Database: Expanding research opportunities" at the 2016 PAA conference on 30 March, 2016. The HMD has become the main source of reliable mortality statistics at the population level, providing extended time series of life table values for 38 high-income countries. The meeting will be a unique opportunity to get insider information about this world-renowned demographic database and to take part in discussions about the project future developments. A significant portion of the session will be dedicated to research presentations based on HMD data analyses, to emphasize new research opportunities as well as to discuss the potential pitfalls and drawbacks in using HMD data. The hope is to generate a lively exchange of ideas and information between HMD users and developers. Future expansion plans and specific user's needs will also be debated.

Presentations at the HMD side meeting

9:00 – 9:30 Breakfast

9:30 – 10:00 The Human Mortality Database: a powerful resource for demography.
Presentation by the HMD Team: Vladimir M. Shkolnikov, Magali Barbieri, Domantas Jasilionis, Carl Boe, Dmitri Jdanov

10:00 – 12:00 Why Do We Like the HMD? Selected Examples from Academic Users.

1. Best-practice life expectancy: A comparison between females and males. *France Meslé and Jacques Vallin*
2. Maximum human lifespan: Will the record be unbroken? *John Wilmoth and Nadine Ouellette*

10 minutes break

3. Mortality in Russia: long-term features and recent changes. *Vladimir M. Shkolnikov*
4. Comparative Statics for Longevity. *Josh Goldstein*

12:00 – 12:30 Round table: Future developments of the HMD. Introduced by *Magali Barbieri*

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