



Dear Madam, Dear Sir,

It is with great pleasure that we invite you to the mid-term workshop of the BELSPO funded project **'Measuring and mobilizing wealth for a cohesive, inclusive and fair society'** (CRESUS) (2013-2017).

CRESUS is a joint project between a multi-disciplinary team of economists, sociologists and social policy experts of the Universities of Antwerp, Leuven and Liège. The project aims at integrating the analysis of wealth in the research of socio-economic policy. We want to contribute to a better informed public debate and policy making process on current issues such as the fight against poverty and social exclusion, efficient and equitable taxation, sustainable pensions and health care, labour market access and employability. A more detailed description of the project can be found at http://www.belspo.be/belspo/brain-be/themes_5_Social_en.stm.

On **Friday 10/06/2016** the CRESUS team is organising a mid-term workshop to present the outcomes of the project so far and to guide its further evolution. The workshop consists of three thematic sessions, with in each session a presentation of preliminary outcomes by one of the partners of the project, a presentation by a high-level external speaker on a related topic and some time for discussion. The detailed program of the workshop can be found on the next page.

The venue of the workshop is:

University of Antwerp – Grauwzusters Cloister
Stadscampus – Building S
Lange Sint-Annastraat 7
2000 Antwerp – Belgium

Attendance to the workshop is open to all those interested either as members of the steering committee of the project, representatives from government agencies, civil society or the academic community.

You can register for the workshop by sending an e-mail with your name and affiliation to: sarah.kuypers@uantwerpen.be **before 1/06/2016**.

Program

9:00 – 9:30	Registration and coffee
9:30 – 9:45	Introduction to the project – Ive Marx (University of Antwerp)
9:45 – 11:00	Session 1: Estimation of the income and wealth distributions
9:45 – 10:15	Project presentation – Sarah Kuypers (University of Antwerp) <i>'Estimation and validation of the income and wealth distributions in Belgium'</i>
10:15 – 10:45	External presentation – Philip Vermeulen (ECB) <i>'Estimating the top tail of the wealth distribution'</i>
10:45 – 11:00	Discussion
11:00 – 11:15	Coffee break
11:15 – 12:30	Session 2: Wealth and capital income inequality: measurement and consequences for optimal taxation
11:15 – 11:45	Project presentation – Kevin Spiritus (KU Leuven) <i>'The rate of return allowance'</i>
11:45 – 12:15	External presentation – Daniel Waldenström (Uppsala University) <i>'Wealth inequality in Sweden: What can we learn from capitalized income tax data?'</i>
12:15 – 12:30	Discussion
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:45	Session 3: Wealth accumulation and intergenerational transfers
13:30 – 14:00	Project presentation – Justina Klimaviciute & Sergio Perelman (University of Liege) <i>'Caring for dependent parents: altruism, exchange or family norm?'</i>
14:00 – 14:30	External presentation – Luc Arrondel (Paris School of Economics) <i>'French savers in the "Great Recession": preferences, financial expectations and portfolio choices'</i>
14:30 – 14:45	Discussion
14:45 – 15:00	Coffee break
15:00 – 16:00	Panel discussion
16:00	Reception