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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### Life Course Analysis

Theoretical perspectives, methodological innovations, and empirical applications

**Date of Event:** October 26-27, 2021 ▪ **Submissions Deadline:** May 31, 2021

**Venue:** Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Rostock

The life course approach has made a lasting impact on the social sciences. It provides a dynamic perspective on individual lives, which are seen as evolving processes shaped by critical transitions. Moreover, the approach stresses the embeddedness of individual life courses in socioeconomic and cultural contexts. This perspective has been highly influential across many disciplines, and it has spawned a rich and fast-evolving literature.

The main goal of this event is to bring together researchers to present and discuss recent developments in life course analysis and to contribute to advancing the field. This includes (1) theoretical perspectives on the life course; (2) methodological innovations in quantitative methods and qualitative methods; and (3) empirical applications of the life course approach from across the social sciences and beyond, including studies on health, families, labor markets, and migration.

The event will be held on October 26-27, 2021, at the **Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research in Rostock**. We are planning an in-person meeting with a hybrid/virtual presentation option if the pandemic situation permits. If necessary, the conference will take place fully virtually.

Each day will start with a keynote speech. The **keynote speakers** are Dr. Anette Fasang, Humboldt-University Berlin and Dr. Liliya Leopold, University of Amsterdam.

We invite you to submit abstracts of original research papers (up to 500 words) and a short CV (max. 1 page) to [lifecourse@demogr.mpg.de](mailto:lifecourse@demogr.mpg.de) by **May 31, 2021**. Any conference-related inquiries may also be directed to [lifecourse@demogr.mpg.de](mailto:lifecourse@demogr.mpg.de). Submitters will be notified about selection decisions by **June 30, 2021**. We look forward to receiving your submissions.

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There are no fees for the event. Participants are expected to seek their own funding for travel and lodging. IMPRS-PHDS will reimburse travel and housing expenses for participating IMPRS-PHDS students. A limited amount of financial support for participation is available for junior scientists or scientists from low or middle-income countries, but will be awarded on a competitive basis. Please indicate the request for such funding at the time of abstract submission.