

## Workshop on minimum wages

### Lessons from recent experiences and European perspectives

*Paris, 20 October 2017, ENS 48 bd Jourdan. Amphithéâtre. 9.30 am- 5.30 pm*

Since the Great Recession, France has frozen its national minimum wage. By contrast, some OECD countries have significantly raised their minimum wages at the national or local levels; Germany has even introduced a *Mindestlohn* in 2015. This workshop will draw, for academic and non-academic audiences, the main lessons from these significant changes, and discuss the perspectives of a European minimum wage.

**9.30 Introduction:** Daniel Cohen (ENS-PSE, Director of Cepremap)

Andrea Garnero (OECD, French MW Commission): *Minimum wages across OECD*

#### **10.15 Session 1: National minimum wages**

Chair: Philippe Askenazy (CNRS-ENS-CMH)

Alex Bryson (UCL-NIESR, invited prof. ENS): *From the minimum wage to the Living Wage*

Mario Bossler (Head of the group "Minimum Wage", IAB): *Employment effects of the new German minimum wage: Evidence from establishment-level micro data.*

Discussant: Luc Behaghel (INRA-PSE)

#### **12.15 Lunch**

#### **1.45 Session 2: Local minimum wages.**

Chair: Corinne Prost (DARES)

Claire Montialoux (UC Berkeley): *State and local minimum wages in the US: employment, prices and inequality*

Ryo Kambayashi (Hitotsubashi University, Institute of Economic Research): *Prefectural but half-centralized minimum wage in Japan*

Discussant: Eve Caroli (Univ. Paris Dauphine-PSE)

#### **3.45 Break**

**4.00 Round table: towards a European Minimum Wage?**, with Maria Jepsen (ETUI), and Mario Bossler, Eve Caroli, Andrea Garnero. Moderator: Sophie Ponthieux (INSEE)

**5.30 Conclusion:** Dominique Meurs (Univ. Paris Ouest Nanterre)