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Jobs, Skills, and Productivity in Structural Transformations

7 October 2025

09:15-09:30 Welcome - Bernd Fitzenberger (IAB), Christina Gathmann (LISER), Piotr Lewandowski (IBS)

09:30-10:30 Anna Salomons (Tilburg University & Utrecht University)

"Expertise at Work: New Technologies, New Skills, and Worker Impacts"

Chair: Bernd Fitzenberger (IAB, FAU)

10:30-11:00 coffee break

11:00-13:00 parallel sessions A

A1 Returns to skills and training	A2 Structural change and reallocation
Chair: Didier Fouarge (Maastricht University, ROA)	Chair: Melanie Arntz (IAB)
"Skill Matters: Curriculum Updates and Labor Market Outcomes", Ziyue Jessie Zhu (ROA, Maastricht University)	"Do Commuting Subsidies Drive Workers to Better Firms?", Elke Jutta Jahn (IAB & University of Bayreuth)
"The Effects of Online vs. In-person Instruction in Subsidized Further Training on Labour Market outcomes", Elisabeth Artmann (IAB)	"European Company Restructuring in the Twin Transition", Chiara Litardi (Eurofound and UCD)
"Click, Code, Earn: The Returns to Digital Skills", Yan Liu (World Bank)	"Spatial and Occupational Mobility of Workers Due to Automation", Michał Burzynski (LISER)
"When Jobs Change: Skills Mismatch and the Value of Training", Lorcan Kelly (Economic and Social Research Institute)	"Changes in Dynamic Agglomeration Effects over Time", Duncan HW Roth (IAB)

13:00-14:00 lunch

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14:00-15:30 parallel sessions B

B1 Occupational trajectories (part1)	B2 Adjustments to technology
Chair: Hanna Pesola (VATT Institute for Economic Research)	Chair: Ronald Bachmann (RWI)
<p><i>"Breaking Free from the Not-So-Golden Cage: The Missed Opportunities of Low Job Mobility"</i>, Sarra Ben Yahmed (University of East Anglia)</p> <p><i>"Work from Home and Labor Market Trajectories in the Long Run"</i>, Klara Kalíšková (Prague University of Economics and Business)</p> <p><i>"Worker Specialization and the Consequences of Occupational Decline"</i>, Simon Ek (IFAU)</p>	<p><i>"Do Economic Crises have a Lasting Impact on the Skill Content of Jobs? Evidence from the Post-Pandemic Era"</i>, Eduard Storm (IHS)</p> <p><i>"Automation and Educational Choice – Evidence from Norway"</i>, Karol Madoń (IBS)</p> <p><i>"AI, Task Changes in Jobs, and Worker Reallocation"</i>, Christina Gathmann (LISER)</p>

15:30-16:00 coffee break

16:00-17:30 parallel sessions C

C1 Occupational trajectories (part 2)	C2 Gender and family
Chair: Nikolas Mittag (CERGE-EI)	Chair: Karolin Hiesinger (IAB)
<p><i>"Overcoming Motivational Hurdles to Occupational Transitions: the Impact of Buddy-support"</i>, Didier Fouarge (Maastricht University, ROA)</p> <p><i>"Disappearing Stepping Stones: Technological Change and Career Paths"</i>, Daniil Kashkarov (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)</p> <p><i>"Career Blocker"</i>, Gökay Demir (IAB)</p>	<p><i>"Work, Wages, and Wires: Gendered Impacts of Digital Infrastructure"</i>, Arti Grover (World Bank)</p> <p><i>"Deroutinization of Labor and Second Birth in West Germany: The Moderating Role of Childcare"</i>, Honorata Bogusz (University of Warsaw)</p> <p><i>"Family Constellations and Job Loss Risk"</i>, Vegard Skirbekk (NIPH, Columbia University)</p>

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09:30-10:30 **Michel Serafinelli** (King's College London)
"Coal Phaseout and Local Jobs"

Chair: **Piotr Lewandowski** (IBS)

10:30-11:00 coffee break

11:00-13:00 parallel sessions D

D1 Green transition, jobs, and skills	D2 Technological change and development
Chair: Christina Gathmann (LISER)	Chair: Maciej Albinowski (IBS)
<p><i>"The 'Clean Energy Transition' and the Cost of Job Displacement in Energy-intensive Industries", Jonas Fluchtmann (OECD)</i></p> <p><i>"Public funded R&D, Hydrogen Innovation, and the Evolving Demand for Green Skills: Evidence from Linked Administrative and Online Data", Florian Lehmer (IAB)</i></p> <p><i>"Wages in the Green Transition", Ronald Bachmann (RWI)</i></p> <p><i>"Natural Disasters and the Green Occupational Aspirations of Adolescents", Andreas Fridolin Bühler (University of Zurich)</i></p> <p><i>"Green jobs and Meaningful Work in Europe", Davide Lunardon (Gran Sasso Science Institute)</i></p>	<p><i>"The Role of Skills in Mediating the Effects of Emerging Digital Technologies on Employment", Verónica Escudero (International Labour Organization)</i></p> <p><i>"Industrial Automation and Jobs in Vietnam", Omar Arias (World Bank)</i></p> <p><i>"Innovation Zones, Technological Upgrading, and Firm Productivity", Francesco Loiacono (European Bank for Reconstruction and Development)</i></p> <p><i>"Workers' Exposure to AI across Development Stages", Piotr Lewandowski (IBS)</i></p>

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