

## Special Note

### Fourth Luxembourg Income Study Summer Workshop

The **Luxembourg Income Study** has made comparable several large microdata sets which contain comprehensive measures of income and economic well-being for a set of modern industrialized welfare states. The LIS databank currently covers 18 countries including Australia, Canada, France, Germany, Israel, Italy, Netherlands, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States, and several Eastern European nations including Poland and Hungary. Data are available for at least two periods for most of these nations.

The **LIS Summer Workshop** is a two week pre- and post-doctoral workshop designed to introduce young scholars in the social sciences (economics, sociology, and others) to comparative research in income distribution and social policy using the LIS database. The 1990 workshop attracted 25 participants from 12 countries. The fourth workshop will be held July 19–31, 1992 in Luxembourg. The cost will be 38,000 Belgian Francs (about \$1,100) which includes tuition, local travel, and full room and board. International transportation is not included. Students are expected to be subsidized by home countries, national and international research foundations, universities, and other sources, including at

least two special scholarships from the Ford Foundation LIS Development Initiatives Fund.

The language of instruction is English. The course of study includes a mix of lectures and assistance and direction using the LIS database to explore a research issue chosen by the participant. Faculty are expected to include Anthony Atkinson (UK), Frank Cowell (UK), Peter Gottschalk (USA), Richard Hauser (Germany), Kristof Starzec (France), Shelly Phipps (Canada), and the entire LIS staff. Several topics to be analyzed in 1992 include the effects of income security programs in Eastern Europe and cross national trends in earnings inequality.

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