



Network for Studies on Pensions, Aging and Retirement

Press Release

Netspar: €250,000 for Research into the Productivity of Older Workers

The Board of Directors of Netspar, a science research foundation and knowledge network, has decided to award a grant in the amount of €250,000 for a study into the effects of delaying retirement in terms of productivity and the welfare of older workers. The research will explore the impact of working longer on the labor productivity and retirement planning of people over the age of 60, as well as the impact on volunteering and the provision of informal care. The project is slated to begin in January 2019.

The research project is being led by Kène Henkens (NIDI). The strategies that men and women 60 and older use to cope with the new reality of longer employment will be viewed from a sociological, psychological, and labor economic perspective and cataloged. Researchers will examine possible changing work patterns and their effect on full- or part-time retirement; the impact of HR policies on retirement and healthy aging on the workforce; the relationship between unpaid work and retirement; and the extent to which the patterns identified are a result of active retirement planning and ownership among older workers over the course of their lives.

About Netspar

Netspar (Network for Studies on Pensions, Aging and Retirement) is a think tank and knowledge network dedicated to promoting a better understanding of the economic and social consequences of pensions, aging, and retirement in the Netherlands and Europe. Netspar contributes actively to the social discourse on such matters among policymakers, scholars, and pension and insurance professionals by both developing knowledge through independent scientific research and sharing that knowledge through publications, events, and education programs.

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