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INVITATION TO ATTEND THE INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC RESEARCH ON INNOVATION (IERI) SEMINAR

Seminar Topic

Hartz-Reforms and the Consequences for the German Labour Market - A Macroeconomic Evaluation Ten Years Later

Presenter: Peter Haller

Peter Haller is a PhD student at the University of Regensburg (Germany) and Researcher at the German Federal Institute for Employment Research in Nuremberg.

Venue

IERI, 159 Nana Sita Street, Pretoria, 0001

Date

10 March 2015

Time

11h30-12h30

Today Germany is seen as a strong economy with a prosperous labour market. However, in the late 1990s Germany was named the 'sick man of Europe', because of high unemployment and low economic growth. That is why in 2003 the German government initiated the so called 'Agenda 2010'. The goal was to foster Germany's prosperity in general and the labour market in specific. Main parts of the agenda were the 'Hartz-reforms' aimed at the labour market. The new principle of demanding and supporting the job searchers had far-reaching consequences. Although major improvements in different labour market outcomes occurred, we find a growing wage inequality and rising atypical employment. After more than ten years, we can evaluate this reform from a macroeconomic perspective.

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