FAIR Centre for Experimental Research on Fairness, Inequality and Rationality

NHH
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS

Labour Workshop

In celebration of
Professor Kjell G. Salvanes'
70th birthday



1 December 2026
NHH Norwegian School of Economics
Auditorium M

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Sandra Black
Stephen Machin
Emma Tominey
Magne Mogstad

08:30 Registration & coffee

09:00 Welcome remarks — Helge Thorbjørnsen & Bertil Tungodden

09:15 Kjell and his research career — Katrine V. Løken

10:00–10:45



KEYNOTE I

Sandra Black

A Family Affair: The Effects of College on Parent and Student Finances

BREAK · 10:45–11:00

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

11:00 Antonio Dalla-Zuanna
A Day without School: Parental Labor Supply and the Gender Earnings Gap

11:15 Kai Liu
Understanding Delinquency and Parent-Adolescent Interactions

11:30 Fanny Landaud
Peer Perceptions and Students' Investments in Schoolwork

LUNCH · 11:45–12:45

12:45–13:30



KEYNOTE II

Stephen Machin

Government Contracting and Living Wages > Minimum Wages

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

13:30 Paul Devereux
Gender Differences in Graduate Degree and Sector Choices

13:45 Espen Rasmus Moen
New Perspectives on the Taxation of Labour

14:00 Pedro Carneiro
Parental Responses to Children's Endowments

BREAK · 14:15–14:30

14:30–15:15



KEYNOTE III

Emma Tominey

Gender Equality and the Division of Labour of New Parents

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

15:15 Aline Bütikofer
The More, the Merrier? Birth Order and Children's Education in Blended Families

15:30 Rolf Aaberge
Myths about the Gini coefficient

15:45 Mari Rege
The Effects of Play-Based Pedagogy on Long-Term Academic Outcomes: Evidence from Two Field Experiments in Norway's Universal Preschool

BREAK · 16:00–16:15

16:15–17:00



KEYNOTE IV

Magne Mogstad

Tour de Kjell

17:00 Closing remarks



Dinner

18:00 Stupet, NHH

By invitation only



HAPPY 70TH BIRTHDAY

Kjell G. Salvanes

Professor, Department of Economics, FAIR NHH

For several decades, Kjell G. Salvanes has been a central figure in the development of labour economics at NHH and in Norway. His research spans labour and education economics, social mobility, inequality and the importance of family background, and his work has appeared in many of the world's leading economics journals, including the *American Economic Review*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy* and *Review of Economic Studies*. Over the past 20-plus years, he has published 25 articles in top international economics journals.

Alongside his research, Kjell has played an important role in building strong research environments and international collaborations at NHH. He is one of the academic leaders of FAIR, has served as President of the *European Association of Labour Economists* (EALE), and has held editorial and research positions in several international networks and institutions, including *The Economic Journal*, *CEPR*, *IZA*, *CESifo* and the University of Chicago's *Human Capital and Economic Opportunity* network. He recently received a prestigious *ERC Synergy Grant*, awarded jointly with researchers at other leading institutions. Throughout his career, he has combined an extraordinary research record with a strong commitment to colleagues, younger researchers and the wider academic community – helping to shape the research environment that many of us are fortunate to be part of today.

This workshop marks his 70th birthday and honours both his academic achievements and the relationships built over a remarkable career.

Honouring a remarkable career, a valued colleague and an inspiring mentor.

Career and distinctions

ACADEMIC CAREER

2017–	Co-founder and Deputy Director, FAIR
2016–	Research Chair Professor, NHH
2005–	Founder and Research Director, Center for Empirical Labor Economics (CELE)
2002–05	Chair, Department of Economics, NHH
1996	Professor, Department of Economics, NHH
1991	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, NHH
1989	PhD in Economics, NHH

HONOURS AND LEADERSHIP

2026	European Research Council (ERC) Synergy Grant, *Labour Shortage*
2023–26	President and Elected Fellow, *European Association of Labour Economists*
2021	Elected Fellow, *Society of Labor Economists*
2020	Elected Member, Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters
2019–21	President, *European Society for Population Economics*
2005	NHH Honour Award for Excellent Research

GOVERNMENT COMMITTEES

2025–26	Housing Allowance Committee (NOU forthcoming)
2022–23	Expert Committee on Child Poverty, Ministry of Children and Families
2021–23	Child Welfare Committee, Ministry of Children and Families (NOU 2023: 7)
2019–21	Committee on Labour Organisation, Ministry of Labour (NOU 2021: 9)
2017–18	Committee on Financial Support for Adult Education, Ministry of Education and Research (NOU 2018: 13)
2015–16	Expert Committee on the Teaching Profession, Ministry of Education
2014–16	Productivity Commission, Ministry of Finance (NOU 2015: 1 and NOU 2016: 3)

EDITORIAL	Joint Managing Editor, *The Economic Journal* (2012–) Associate Editor, *European Economic Review* (2004–09)
RESEARCH NETWORKS	CEPR · IZA · CESifo · IFS · NBER · HCEO, University of Chicago
VISITING SCHOLAR	University College London · Columbia University · University of Texas at Austin · UCLA

CELEBRATING KJELL G. SALVANES

Selected publications in leading journals

01 **Gender-Biased Technological Change: Milking Machines and the Exodus of Women from Farming**
American Economic Review, 2026
with P. Ager and M. Goñi

02 **First Generation Elite: The Role of School Social Networks**
American Economic Review, 2025
with S. Cattan and E. Tominey

03 **Income Inequality in Scandinavia: Myths, Facts, and Lessons**
Journal of Economic Literature, 2025
with M. Mogstad and G. Torsvik

04 **Competition and Career Advancement**
Review of Economic Studies, 2024
with J. V. Johnsen and H. Ku

05 **Intergenerational Mobility and the Timing of Parental Income**
Journal of Political Economy, 2021
with P. Carneiro, I. López García and E. Tominey

06 **Disease Control and Inequality Reduction: Evidence from a Tuberculosis Testing and Vaccination Campaign**
Review of Economic Studies, 2020
with A. Bütikofer

07 **A Flying Start? Maternity Leave Benefits and Long-Run Outcomes of Children**
Journal of Political Economy, 2015
with P. Carneiro and K. V. Løken

08 **From the Cradle to the Labor Market? The Effect of Birth Weight on Adult Outcomes**
Quarterly Journal of Economics, 2007
with S. E. Black and P. J. Devereux

09 **The More the Merrier? The Effect of Family Size and Birth Order on Children's Education**
Quarterly Journal of Economics, 2005
with S. E. Black and P. J. Devereux

10 **Why the Apple Doesn't Fall Far: Understanding Intergenerational Transmission of Human Capital**
American Economic Review, 2005
with S. E. Black and P. J. Devereux

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