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Comparative Politics of Inequality and Redistribution

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Note: Papers will posted at http://www.princeton.edu/~piirs/events/5_11_07.html as they become available. The workshop will proceed on the premise that participants have read the papers in advance.

Friday, May 11

12:30-1:30  Lunch (216 Aaron Burr Hall)
1:30-1:45  Opening remarks: Jonas Pontusson
1:45-3:30  Panel I: The Long View
  Torben Iversen and David Soskice, “Distribution and Redistribution: The Shadow of the Nineteenth Century”
  Kenneth Scheve and David Stasavage, “Political Institutions and Income Inequality, 1900-2000”
  Discussant: Jonas Pontusson
3:30-4:00  Coffee break
4:00-5:45  Panel II: Micro-level comparative analyses
  Ben Goodrich, “A non-Meltzer-Richard Model of Individual Preferences for Redistribution”
  David Rueda and Jonas Pontusson, “Inequality as a Source of Partisan Politics: Comparative Analysis of Twelve OECD Countries”
  Discussant: Bruce Western
7:00  Dinner at Prospect House (by invitation)

Saturday, May 12

8:30  Continental breakfast (216 Aaron Burr Hall)
9:00-10:45  Panel III: The US case
  Larry Bartels, “Partisan Biases in Economic Accountability”
Martin Gilens, “Inequality and Democratic Responsiveness”
Discussant: Torben Iversen

10:45-11:00 Coffee break

11:00-12:45 Panel IV: Macro-comparative analyses
Lucy Barnes, ”The Income Distribution of Voters: Does Unequal Participation Matter?”
Discussant: Thomas Romer

12:45-2:00 Lunch (216 Aaron Burr Hall)

2:00-3:45 Panel V: Developing Countries and the Very Long View
Stephen Kosack, “The Education of Nations: How Governments Decide to Provide Education in Taiwan, Ghana, and Brazil.”
Carles Boix and Frances Rosenbluth, “Bones of Contention: The Political Economy of Height Inequality”
Discussant: Julia Lynch