



INCASI *International Network for
Comparative Analysis of Social Inequalities*



INCASI Newsletter is the bimonthly newsletter of the research and training network INCASI, made up of 29 academic and non-academic organisations from Europe and Latin America and the Caribbean, which develops the European project “*A New Measure of Socioeconomic Inequalities for International Comparison*” (INCASI2, HE-MSCA-SE-2022, GA-101130456)

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Presentation

With the fourth issue of the newsletter, we celebrate the first year of the INCASI2 project. The programming of the four years of the project involves the completion of the first phase dedicated to the design and implementation of the different activities foreseen in the project with the aim of formulating an innovative perspective based on the AMOSIT model (*Analytical Model of Social Inequalities and Trajectories*).

These are the stages foreseen in the project:

WP / Stages	1. Innovative Design	2. Construction	3. Integration
Work Package 1 Research <i>Work, education, stratification, gender, migration & public policies</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formalizing AMOSIT analytical model. Theoretical & methodological bases for DYSIC index 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AMOSIT Operationalization Construction of DYSIC measures analysing each lines of research 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integration of the DYSIC indexes by country INCASI Projection
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Work Package 5 Management	Organization & Coordination of the INCASI2 project		
Meetings	Kick-off ,Thematic Research Meeting, Global Meeting	2 Thematic Research Meetings 2 Global Meetings	Thematic Research Meeting Global Meeting - Forum
Time	12 months	24 months	12 months
Dates	11/23	12/24	12/26 10/27

Many activities have been carried out during this period: 5 deliverables (activity and progress reports), 2 kick-off meetings and 1 Global Meeting, 73 months of researcher stays, 36 INCASI Living Lab seminars with as many videos, 8 published articles, 4 Newsletters, 1 INCASI Working Paper Series, 1 Policy Brief, 29 INCASI Outreach-videos, 16 Testimonials videos, all of which are also available on our website. Also, during this period we have been designing a plan of online training courses that we will report on soon.

We hope you have a happy holiday season and best wishes for the new year.

INCASI Coordination



Audiovisual Pills

In this section you will find several videos with a short summary of the contents of the seminars given in the context of the INCASI Living Lab.

- ✚ [Inequalities in women's employment and working conditions: A comparative study between Spain and Bolivia.](#) Miriam Camacho Villaroel: Mayor University of San Simon (UMMS).
- ✚ [Keys to disseminating research results on inequalities.](#) Luis Navarro Ardoy: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO)
- ✚ [The traces of inequalities in the territory: expectations and mobility strategies of rural youth in Andalusia.](#) Manuel Tomás González Fernández: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO)
- ✚ [Social determinants of health for measuring and understanding emotional wellbeing.](#) Juan Manuel García González: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO).
- ✚ [Epistemological and Methodological Debates on Comparison and Social Research.](#) Juan Ignacio Piovani: National University of La Plata (CIMECS-IdIHCS- UNLP)
- ✚ [Work organisation and health: Does the direct participation of employees improve their health status?.](#) Albert Navarro Giné: Autonomous University of Barcelona (POWAH-UAB)
- ✚ [Disputing environmental impact: understanding uncertainty around the hydrological impact of lithium mining in Chile.](#) Mirko Van Pampus: University of Amsterdam (CEDLA-UvA).
- ✚ [Technological transformations in capitalism and the recomposition of the workforce: the emergence of generative intelligences and their impact on the world of work.](#) Juan Manuel Barri: National University of Cordoba (UNC)
- ✚ [The comparative biographical perspective: a qualitative approach for the analysis of social inequalities.](#) Leticia Muñoz Terra: National University of La Plata (UNLP).

INCASI Living Lab

INCASI Living Lab (ILL) is an open space for reflection on socio-economic inequalities that promotes scientific cooperation, exchange and knowledge transfer through seminars and meetings between the academic and socio-political, national and international spheres, with the aim of disseminating and discussing analyses, diagnoses and recommendations that serve to guide public policies.

At the time of writing this issue, 36 sessions have been held since the start of the project, with three different modalities: **Seminars**, which are organised mainly on the occasion of each research stay, **Methodological Issues**, where different methodological contents are presented, both from a qualitative and quantitative or mixed perspective, linked to the



project's objectives, and **Dialogues**, which have been introduced as a novelty since the first meeting in December to encourage open dialogue beyond the academic sphere.

These are the seminars that will take place until November 2024:

ILL26 Inequalities in women's employment and working conditions: A comparative study between Spain and Bolivia. Miriam Camacho Villaroel: Universidad Mayor de San Simón (UMMS). Held on 30 September at the Complutense University of Madrid. Video available [here](#).

ILL27 Keys to disseminating research results on inequalities. Luis Navarro Ardoy: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO). Held on 1 October at UNIMIL. Video available [here](#).

ILL28 The traces of inequalities in the territory: expectations and mobility strategies of rural youth in Andalusia. Manuel Tomás González Fernández: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO). Held on 10 October at the CIMeCS. Video available [here](#).

ILL29 Social determinants of health for the measurement and understanding of emotional well-being. Juan Manuel García González: Pablo de Olavide University (UPO). Held on 15 October at the Gino Germani Research Institute. Video available [here](#).

ILL30 Methodological Issues. Epistemological and methodological debates on comparison and social research. Juan Ignacio Piovani, National University of La Plata (UNLP). Held on 31 October at IdIHCS. Video available [here](#).

ILL31 Work organisation and health: does the direct participation of employees improve their health? Albert Navarro Giné, Research Group on Psychosocial Risks, Work Organisation and Health (POWAH), Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona (UAB).

Disputing environmental impact: understanding uncertainty around the hydrological impact of lithium mining in Chile. Mirko van Pampus, Centre for Latin American Studies and Documentation (CEDLA), University of Amsterdam (UvA). Conducted jointly on 04 November from UCH (Chile). Video available [here](#).

ILL32 Technological transformations in capitalism and the recomposition of the workforce: the irruption of generative intelligences and their impact on the world of work. Juan Manuel Barri, Faculty of Philosophy and Humanities, National University of Córdoba (UNC). Carried out on 14 November from the UPO (Spain). Video available [here](#).

ILL33 Methodological Issues: The comparative biographical perspective: a qualitative approach to the analysis of social inequalities. Leticia Muñoz Terra, Interdisciplinary Centre for Social Sciences Methodology; Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences, National University of La Plata (UNLP). Held on 21 November, coordinated by the UAB (Spain) and the UNLP (Argentina). Video available [here](#).



ILL34 Social actors facing the environment-labour conflict. Transnational evidence from Italy, the Netherlands and Argentina. Luca Novelli, Dipartimento di Scienze Sociali e Politiche, Università degli Studi di Milano (UNIMIL) Held on 26 November from UNLP - UBA (Argentina). Video available [here](#).

ILL35 The impact of material deprivation on the process of social mobility. Idelfonso Marqu  ez-Perales, Department of Sociology, University of Seville (US). Conducted on 27 November from SciencesPo (France). Video available [here](#).

ILL36 A methodological proposal to address school inequality in secondary school, beyond academic performance. Francisco Santana Armas and Carmen P  rez S  nchez, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, University of La Laguna (ULL). Carried out on 28 November from the UNLP (Argentina). Video available [here](#).

ILL Dialogues

INCASI Living Lab: Dialogues



“Situaci  n y medici  n comparada de la pobreza en Am  rica Latina:   Una nueva d  cada perdida?”

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En Within the framework of the INCASI Living Lab, we have initiated a new modality alongside the Seminars and Methodological Issues, which we call **ILL Dialogues**, where the objective is to disseminate and discuss the research advances of the INCASI2 Project with key actors of our society, as well as with the general public.

We started the ILL Dialogues with the meeting ‘**Situation and Comparative Measurement of Poverty in Latin America: A New Lost Decade?**’ which took place on 2 December 2024 in Buenos Aires, at the Gino Germani Research Institute.

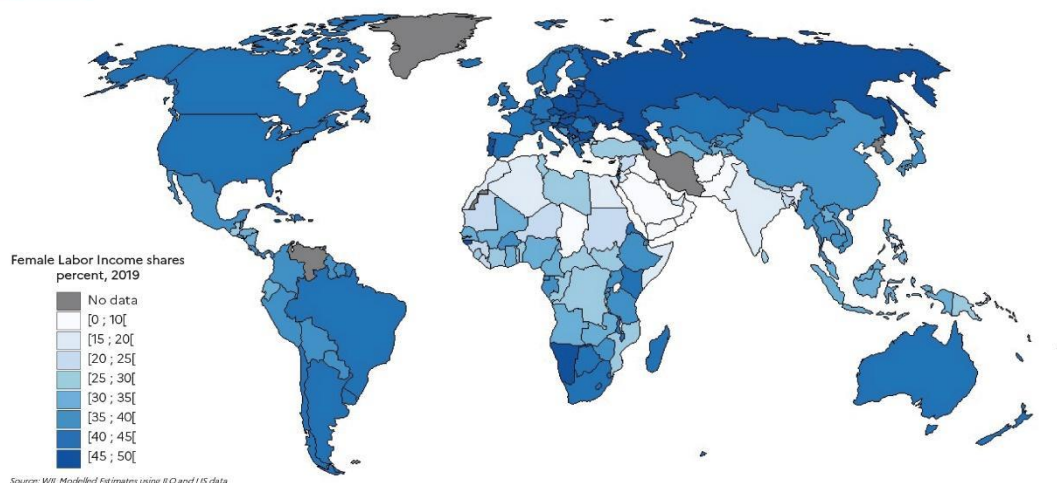


The Inequality Map

Women's share of total wages 2019

Developed as part of the World Inequality Lab, it measures the wage share of women compared to men, an important element in measuring gender inequality and women's empowerment.

Figure 5.1 Female labor income shares across the world, 2019

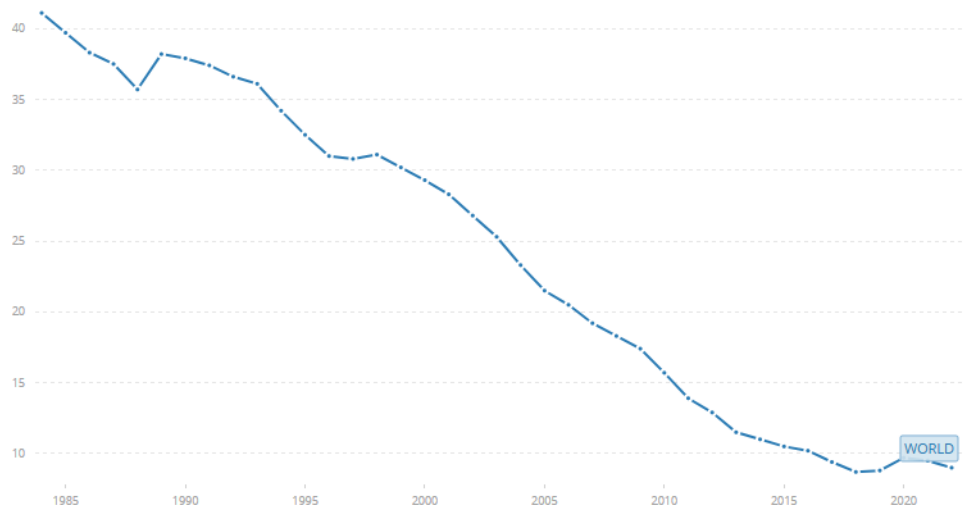


Interpretation: In 2019, the share of labor income earned by women was 41% in France, whereas it is 18% in India. **Sources and series:** wir2022.wid.world/methodology and Neef and Robilliard (2021).

Source: Neef, T., y A-S. Robilliard. 2021. "Half the Sky? The Female Labor Income Share in a Global Perspective." World Inequality Lab. Working paper [2021/22]. ([link](#))

The Inequality Data

Poverty headcount rate at \$2.15 per day (2017 PPP) (% of population)



Note: PPA is Purchasing Power Parity

Source: Banco Mundial, Platform on Poverty and Inequality. For more information and methodology, see pip.worldbank.org.



Coffee with Science

It is a meeting of scientists and scientists with small groups of students and their respective teachers with the aim of sharing experiences and bringing the youngest to research, in a playful and close way. The event took place on 4 November at the Rectorate of the Pablo de Olavide University as the opening of Science Week, an annual space for scientific dissemination held throughout Europe from 4 to 19 November.



“Inequality and social stratification: key questions for understanding our society” was the table chaired by Sandra Fachelli, thus linking and bringing together the initiative presented by INCASI2 with activities related to the context of social sciences and social inequality within the framework of the project presented by the project.

Link to full entry [here](#).

Artificial Intelligence Workshop

On 7 November 2024, the workshop **Social Sciences, Computational Methods and Generative Intelligences** by **Juan Barri**, from the National University of Cordoba, Argentina, was held in the Laboratory of the Faculty of Social Sciences of the UPO, with the aim of providing an introduction to the use of computational methods in the Social Sciences, in the context of the disruptive emergence of Generative Intelligences.



We worked on these axes: a) What is called Computational Social Sciences: ‘field’, method and theory. The interdisciplinary dimension. b) Computational languages and frameworks: Python, R and structured languages. Integrated applications. Notebooks as resources: jupyter notebook and markdowns. c) Generative intelligences: definition, context and modes of use in the social sciences. Three ways of working to enhance research. d) Data capture and processing. The changes produced in the ‘digital era’ with the emergence of big data: web



scraping, fingerprinting and API connections. e) Machine learning: supervised and unsupervised algorithms. Clustering. f) Natural Language and Graph Processing Techniques.

The video of the course will be available on the INCASI website, at https://webs.uab.cat/incasi/?page_id=41

Network Stays

Secondments are research stays of a minimum of one month, carried out by researchers of the network in Latin American and Caribbean or European research centres. The research stays carried out in the last two months are presented below:

Secondment	Universidad	Centro	Desde	Hasta
Idelfonso Marqués-Perales' postdoctoral research stay (Pablo de Olavide University, Spain)	SciencesPo (France)	Centre for Research on Social Inequalities	01-10-2024	30-11-2024
Albert Navarro Giné's postdoctoral research stay (Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain)	University of Chile (Chile)	Centre for Studies on Conflict and Social Cohesion	03-10-2024	02-11-2024
Luca Novelli's predoctoral research stay (University of Milan, Italy)	University of Buenos Aires (Argentina)	Gino Germani Research Institute	15-10-2024	14-11-2024
Luca Novelli's predoctoral research stay (University of Milan, Italy)	National University of La Plata (Argentina)	Department of Applied Sociology	15-11-2024	14-12-2024
Anitta Kynsilehto's postdoctoral research stay (University of Tampere, Finland)	University of Barcelona (Spain)	Department of Sociology	14-10-2024	13-11-2024
Anitta Kynsilehto's postdoctoral research stay (University of Tampere, Finland)	Pablo de Olavide University (Spain)	Department of Sociology	18-11-2024	17-12-2024
Juan Barri's postdoctoral research stay (National University of Cordoba, Argentina)	Pablo de Olavide University (Spain)	Department of Sociology	20-10-2024	19-11-2024
Mirko van Pampus's postdoctoral research stay (University of Amsterdam, Netherlands)	University of Chile (Chile)	Centre for Studies on Conflict and Social Cohesion	29-10-2024	28-11-2024
Josué Gutiérrez Barroso's postdoctoral research stay (University of La Laguna, Spain)	University of Tampere (Finland)	Department of Sociology	30-10-2024	29-11-2024
Francisco Santana Armas' postdoctoral research stay (University of La Laguna, Spain)	National University of La Plata (Argentina)	Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences	15-11-2024	14-12-2024



Carmen Nieves Pérez Sánchez' postdoctoral research stay (University of La Laguna, Spain)	National University of La Plata (Argentina)	Institute for Research in the Humanities and Social Sciences	15-11-2024	14-12-2024
Renata Semenza's postdoctoral research stay (University of Milan, Italy)	Mexico College, (Mexico)	Departament of Sociology	16-11-2024	15-12-2024
Simone Sarti's postdoctoral research stay (University of Milan, Italy)	University of La Habana (Cuba)	Centre for the Study of the Cuban Economy	22-11-2024	21-12-2024
Cristian Segura-Carrillo's postdoctoral research stay (Autonomous University of Barcelona, Spain)	University of Chile (Chile)	Centre for Studies on Conflict and Social Cohesion	28-11-2024	27-12-2024

INCASI Policy Brief

Inclusion of a social inequality perspective in Employment Policy Evaluation

by Alejandro López Menchón.

This first issue of the INCASI Policy Brief addresses the evaluation of Active Employment Policies (PAE) in Spain and Andalusia, focusing on the need to incorporate an analysis of inequalities in their design and evaluation. Despite the advances in the evaluation culture promoted by the European Union, significant challenges remain, such as the lack of coordination between territorial levels, the quality of the data used and the lack of impact of evaluations on policy decision-making. Among the most relevant labour market problems are unemployment, job insecurity, characterised by high temporality and low wages, and the seasonality of certain jobs. These problems disproportionately affect vulnerable social groups, such as women, young people, foreigners and those with low levels of education. The lack of specific programmes and insufficient resources for these groups exacerbate the situation. The author proposes that SAPs should be designed with a common strategy that contemplates both 'generalist' and 'specific' measures, allowing for a comprehensive evaluation that considers the impact of policies on the reduction of inequalities. As an innovative element, the author stresses the need to develop a methodological perspective that facilitates the implementation of the perspective of social inequalities in the evaluation of public policies.





Any member of the INCASI network is invited to participate in the next editions of this new initiative, starting from the template available [here](#).

Publications

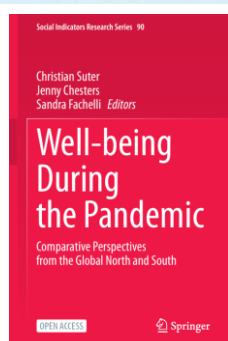
Recent network publications linked to the INCASI2 project:

- ✚ Marqués-Perales, Ildefonso; Cascales-Mira, María; Herrera-Usagre, Manuel (2024). « Evolution of Income Stratification by Social Class and Gender: Evidence from Spain (2006-2019)». REIS, 188: 101-120. <https://doi.org/10.5477/cis/reis.188.101-120>

This study addresses income stratification by social class and gender in the Spanish working-class population from 2006 to 2019. Zhou's (2012) S Index measures the level of stratification by groups, determining whether social class and gender affect the distribution of income. Data were provided by the Living Conditions Survey of the Spanish National Institute of Statistics. The following main results were found: the link between social class and income persists; after the crisis, there was a reduction in the stratification of income by gender; and there is a greater polarisation of income in the female group. As a main contribution to the field of study, this work relies on an income stratification index as opposed to the classical inequality studies.

- ✚ Matozo, Victoria, "Youth digital inequality: analysis of digital technology appropriation among public secondary school students by social class (CABA, 2017- 2020)", *Institutional Digital Repository Faculty of Social Sciences-UBA*, consultation 25 November 2024. <https://repositorio.sociales.uba.ar/items/show/2917>.

Individuals develop in increasingly interconnected, global, computerised, digitalised societies that require specific skills to socialise, work, move and even have fun in them. In this way, new inequalities are established in relation to technology that are linked to long-standing inequalities (Helsper, 2013). Based on a multidimensional approach to the phenomenon of social inequalities (Reygadas, 2004; Saravi, 2015), the differential appropriation of digital technologies (DT) in conjunction with previous inequalities, configure a new type of digital inequalities: the digital divide, of opportunities to take advantage of these technologies (van Deursen and Helsper, 2015).



Well-being During the Pandemic. Comparative Perspectives from the Global North and South

Editors: Christian Suter, Jenny Chesters, Sandra Fachelli

<https://link.springer.com/book/10.1007/978-3-031-63440-6#about-this-book>

This open access book focuses on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on well-being and quality of life, taking into account the mediating effects of social inequalities. The volume brings together and into dialogue the different experiences and perspectives of countries and researchers from the Global North and South. Expert scholars from across the world have analyzed empirical data to reveal how the restrictions associated with the pandemic interrupted lives and livelihoods, and how different socio-economic groups and classes have been differently affected by the crisis. The chapters coalesce around four themes: the impact of COVID-19 on subjective well-being, life satisfaction and happiness in a comparative and longitudinal perspective; the impact of COVID-19 on employment and workers' well-being; sociability, civic participation and solidarity during COVID-19; and the impact of COVID-19 on children's and youths' well-being. Engaging with contemporary theoretical debates on well-being and quality of life, this volume is of interest to scholars working on global phenomena, transnational phenomena, the social impact of COVID-19 and social and economic change.

Testimonies

The different stays that numerous researchers at INCASI2 carry out throughout Europe and Latin America are a central axis of the project and of special relevance at the level of knowledge transfer. Based on this experience in the secondments, we have collected a testimony where the experience is briefly narrated. These are the latest testimonies collected:

- [María Fernández Mellizo-Soto](#), Departament of Applied Sociology, Complutense University of Madrid (Spain).
- [Pablo Dalle y Paula Boniolo](#), Gino Germani Research Institute, University of Buenos Aires (Argentina).
- [Luis Navarro Ardoy](#), Departament of Sociology, Pablo de Olavide University (Spain).
- [Alejandra Ramírez](#), Mayor University of San Simon (Bolivia).
- [Alejandro López Menchón](#), Departament of Sociology, Pablo de Olavide University (Spain).
- [Bárbara Pschunder](#), National University of La Plata (Argentina).
- [Miriam Camacho](#), Mayor University of San Simón (Bolivia).



We also have interviews with INCASI2 Principal Investigators:

- [Laura Oso, da Coruña University.](#)
- [Renata Semenza, University of Milan.](#)
- [Cecilia Bustos Ibarra, Concepción University.](#)
- [Emmanuelle Barozet, Chile University.](#)

Upcoming Activities

- ✚ **5th ISA Forum of Sociology – Rabat (Morocco), 6 – 11 July 2025.** The International Sociological Association is organising an international forum in Rabat next July. The INCASI network will participate in it, with its own Call for Abstracts. Complete information on the website [here](#).



ISA-RC55 5th ISA Forum of Sociology

Quality of Life, Inequalities, and Justice in the Anthropocene:

Did the Promise of Enlightenment Come True?

Travel Grants: RC55 and the World Society Foundation are awarding a limited number of travel grants covering airfare, accommodation, visa and ISA Forum registration fee (in whole or in part). Financial support will be awarded to one author per accepted full paper using the most economical travel route.

Researchers from the Global South (African, Latin American and Asian countries, International Sociological Association country categories B and C), and PhD students and postdocs. Candidates must be RC55 members (in good standing) and present their paper on-site at the respective RC55 session at the ISA Forum as reflected in the RC55 session programme.

- Deadline: February 15, 2025
- Requirements: Full paper (25-30 pages, but no more than 8000 words)
- Submission: Mail to mkanai@senshu-u.jp
- Acceptance notification: March 15, 2025



✚ **Social Indicators Research Special Issue “Measuring Socioeconomic Inequalities in a Comparative Perspective”.** A monographic issue of the journal is being prepared with the theme of our project coordinated by Sandra Fachelli (UPO), Christian Suter (Université de Neuchâtel) and Joonmo Son (National University of Singapore). It is a product of the RC55 Mid-term Meeting held in the context of the Spanish Congress of Sociology. It will be published in 2025.

✚ **Forthcoming congresses:**

- [IX SISEC Congress](#), Università di Pavia, Italy, from 29 January to 1 February 2025.
- [IV Jornadas de Sociología](#) de la Universidad Nacional de Mar del Plata. Rupturas y continuidades en la sociología actual. Departamento de Sociología. Facultad de Humanidades, March 5-7, 2025. Free for INCASI members who are outside Argentina and who present online.
- [VIII DEMOSAL International Seminar](#), Rio do Janeiro, Brazil, from 24 to 26 March 2025.

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