

Stability and change in academic work and departments, 20 July 2021



00:17:37 Peping Pedro C. Pedro: Good day every one!

00:22:45 Raveenthiran vivekanantharasa: Greetings all..... From Sri Lanka

00:23:42 Raveenthiran vivekanantharasa: I am R.Vivekanantharasa, Lecturer, Faculty of Education, The Open University of Sri Lanka, Sri Lanka

00:26:53 Armin Yavari: I have to jump on another meeting. I hope I can catch this as a recording after? Thank you. Armin

00:27:23 CGHE Webinars: Yes Armin, there will be a recording.

00:32:31 Peping Pedro C. Pedro: I am Peping Pedro C. Pedro , Lecturer of Business Management , College of Business Administration , Tarlac State University , Philippines

00:45:06 Jelena Brankovic: The point about academic careers is interesting to compare with the recent OECD report on the precarity of academic research careers (in some 30+ countries). The report is basically saying that the share of permanent positions has been drastically decreasing relative to the number of researchers on fixed-term contracts in the past decade or so.

00:45:10 Simon Marginson: Colleagues, it is time to start giving thought to your questions and statements about academic faculty in the United States (and everywhere). Is this picture of stability right? Does it apply outside the US? What about precarious and 'part-time' employment? What is happening in market based systems outside US?

00:46:04 Jelena Brankovic: Some numbers from the OECD report: "in Germany, 77% of postdoctoral researchers in higher education institutions and 72% in non-university research institutions have a fixed-term contract; 80% of scientific staff in Swiss /.../; in Finland, 70% of academics /.../ in the French Community of Belgium 58% of those working in universities..."

00:48:06 Simon Marginson: Put your questions and statements in the Zoom Chat! Then we can bring you in, to be immortalised

00:48:30 Vincent Carpentier: Can you tell us about the potential impact of 2008 crisis? On the whole system or some sectors?

00:48:39 Jelena Brankovic: So, I think we have a kind of a paradox (?), whereby in Europe, for example, we have a stronger role of the state, but it seems universities are less protected from the market and in the US. So I am wondering about what you think of that?

00:49:45 philip altbach: This analysis seems to be mainly relating to the research university sector in the US. Is that the case? What proportion of US higher educ is in this sector? Can you perhaps discuss how these trends may reflect on the main part of US higher ed?

00:52:08 Andres Bernasconi: I wonder if a two-year window for change is perhaps too short a span to see change in faculty size in departments

00:53:36 Jelena Brankovic: Thank you!

00:54:16 Andrew Gunn: Thank you

00:59:22 Simon Marginson: More questions/statements needed please.

01:03:45 C Sanger: What's the future for tenured positions?

01:06:05 Soyoung Lee: Thank you for your presentations. I think I saw some increases in the article numbers and student degrees, in some disciplines but stability in grant, faculty number and job counts, regardless of disciplines. If I read your graphs correctly, how this would affect the life/well-being of faculty members? And the quality of education that students get?

01:09:17 CGHE Webinars: Thank you for joining us today. A recording of this session will be on the CGHE site tomorrow morning: <https://www.researchcghe.org/events/cghe-seminar/stability-and-change-in-academic-work-and-departments/>

01:09:49 Victorița Trif: Thank you!

01:11:28 CGHE Webinars: Our next webinar, our last until September, will be 'Unpacking agentic capital in employability of international graduates' on Thursday 2pm (UK). You can register here: <https://www.researchcghe.org/events/cghe-seminar/unpacking-agentic-capital-in-employability-of-international-graduates/>

01:14:32 Peping Pedro C. Pedro: Thank you to the speakers for the answers.