



IN WORKING ORDER DISABILITY POLICY, ECONOMIC RATIONALES AND EMPLOYABILITY

4th February 2016
Av. de Beaumont 21
1011 Lausanne

A ONE-DAY CONFERENCE
ON DISABILITY INSURANCE POLICIES

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Swiss disability insurance (DI) has recently undergone fundamental transformations. In accordance with active social policies, the 5th and 6th revisions of DI have restricted the right to disability pensions and introduced various measures aiming at sustaining the employability and the labor market integration of persons with health issues. The impacts of these reforms go far beyond the objectives of increasing the effectiveness of vocational rehabilitation and of reducing the costs of pensions. This one day conference will address several questions pertaining to the consequences of the implementation of this new social policy at various levels and for different stakeholders.

How have the DI reforms been implemented through the decentralized structures of cantonal disability offices and vocational rehabilitation services? How do they address employers, who ultimately decide on the employment of people with health issues, and for what actual reasons do employers hire workers considered as less productive? What are the continuities and breaks with previous policies regarding the employers' responsibilities? How do the new rehabilitation measures impact DI recipients and people close to them? Do these new policies blur the boundaries drawn between people considered as able (to work) and those considered as dis-abled?

This conference aims at discussing these issues on the basis of recent sociological and historical studies conducted in Switzerland. It is a unique opportunity for reflecting on social policies in the field of disability and analyzing their intended or unintended effects, as well as their social consequences.

The conference will be held in English (no translation available). Each of the three research presentations will be discussed by an invited scholar.

PROGRAM

MORNING

9h15 - 9h30 OPENING

9h30 - 11h00 **How to sell and how to use workers with «limited productivity». The employment of people with disabilities between welfare and economy**
Anna Gonon, Hochschule für Soziale Arbeit FHNW, Olten
Prof. Eva Nadai, Hochschule für Soziale Arbeit FHNW, Olten
Fabienne Rotzetter, Hochschule für Soziale Arbeit FHNW, Olten
Discussant: Benoît Beuret (doctoral student), University of Fribourg and Haute école de travail social et de la santé - EESP - Lausanne

11h00 - 11h30 BREAK

11h30 - 13h00 **Trusting the goodwill of employers. The concept of «voluntariness» in the labour market integration of people with disabilities (1945-1985)**
Alan Canonica (doctoral student), University of Basel
Discussant: Dr. Urs Germann, University of Bern

13h00 - 14h00 LUNCH

AFTERNOON

14h00 - 15h30 **Redefining (dis)ability? A critical disability studies perspective on the recent reforms of Swiss Disability insurance**
Monika Piecek, Haute école de travail social et de la santé - EESP - Lausanne
Prof. Isabelle Probst, Haute Ecole de Santé Vaud - HESAV - Lausanne
Prof. Jean-Pierre Tabin, Haute école de travail social et de la santé - EESP - Lausanne
Discussant: Prof. Cristina Ferreira, Haute Ecole de Santé Vaud - HESAV - Lausanne

15h30 - 15h45 CONCLUSION

VENUE

Haute Ecole de Santé Vaud (HESAV)
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Room GSS/5

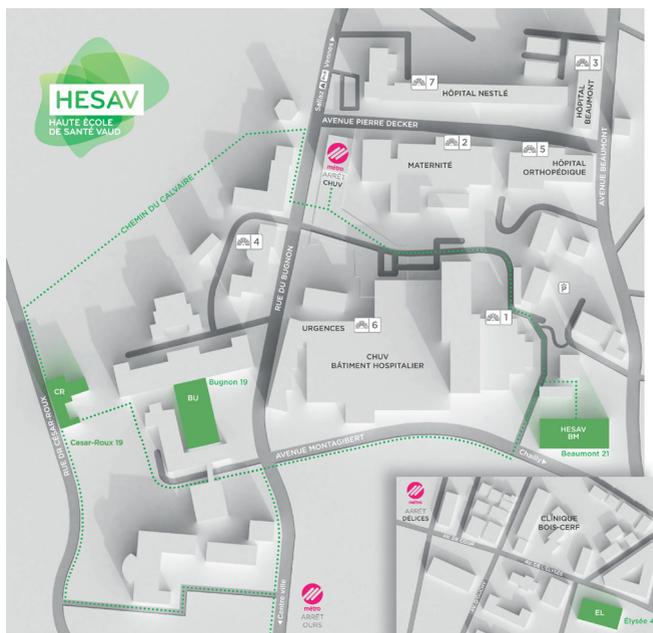
INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION

Registration is free, but mandatory until 15th January 2016

Contact for questions regarding organization and registration : Isabelle.Probst@hesav.ch

MAP

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Beaumont 21
Bugnon 19
César-Roux 19
Élysée 4
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(info sur www-t.ch)
- ⋯ **Accès à César-Roux 19**
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Charlotte Olivier
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César Roux
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- 3 **Auditoire Hôpital Beaumont**
- 4 **Auditoire Institut de Pathologie**
Spengler
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