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The Past and Future of Welfare State Politics

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2.45 – 4.45 pm

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One of the most important purposes of the welfare state is to provide insurance and it is well known that information critically shapes the provision thereof. Yet, rather than playing the central role it warrants, information barely makes an appearance in the contemporary literature of welfare states in advanced industrialized countries. This is all the more surprising as we are living in an age of transformative changes in private insurance markets, spurred by the information revolution. These developments will reshape the politics of the welfare state, too. The talk offers a fresh perspective on the welfare state, putting the informational challenges characteristic for insurance markets front and center.

Speaker



Philipp Rehm is Associate Professor at the Ohio State University and currently a EURIAS Fellow at the Hanse-Wissenschaftskolleg. His work is located at the intersection of political economy and political behavior. In particular, he is interested in the causes and consequences of income dynamics (such as income loss, income volatility, and risk exposure). At the micro-level, his research explores how income dynamics shape individual preferences for redistribution, social policies, and parties. At the macro-level, his work analyzes the impact of labor market and income dynamics on polarization, electoral

majorities, and coalitions underpinning social policy.

Discussion

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*Key Themes: The state as a producer of public policies & The transformations of capitalism

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