

Measuring prices and welfare: A ESWG and CeMMAP Conference

28th – 29th April 2021

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Programme

Day 1: 28th April 2021

11:00 – 12:00: Kevin Fox (UNSW) (8 p.m. Sydney time)

12:00: BREAK

SCANNER DATA

1:30 – 2:15: **ONS “Shortlisting Appropriate Index Number Methods for use on Web Scraped and Scanner Data”** -
H. Sands (ONS) or A. Rose (ONS)

2:15 – 3:00: **“High Dimensional High Frequency Retail Price Dynamics: Accounting for Missing Prices and Quantities.”** – A. Crawford (UC3M) and L. Nesheim (cemmap and UCL)

3:00: BREAK

QUALITY ISSUES AND PRICE INDICES

3:15 – 4:00: **“Quality-adjusted Price Indices Powered by ML and AI”** – V. Chernozhukov (MIT)

4:00 – 4:45: **“Muth’s Model of the Housing Market”** – J. Rouwendal (VU) and M. van Duijn (Groningen)

Day 2: 29th April 2021

WELFARE AND WELL-BEING

1:30 – 2:15: **“In Search of a Complete and Unambiguous Ordering of a Collection of Wellbeing States”** –
G. Anderson (Toronto) and T.W. Leo (St Francis Xavier)

2:15 – 3:00: **“Incorporating Social Welfare in Program Evaluation and Treatment Assignment”** – D.Bhattacharya
(Cambridge) and T.Komarova (LSE)

3:00: BREAK

3.15-4.15: PANEL: **“Price indices during the epidemic”**-

Sam Beckett, Second Permanent Secretary, Office for National Statistics (ONS)

Mike Hardie, Head of Prices, Office for National Statistics (ONS)

Heidi Ertl, Director, Consumer Prices Division, Statistics Canada

Rob Cage, Assistant Commissioner for Consumer Prices and Price Indexes, Bureau of Labor Statistics