

AYHD Newsletter

Your quarterly update from the Association for Young Historical Demographers. The AYHD newsletter brings you up to date with current and forthcoming events in Historical Demography and related social science fields. It gives you a chance to publicise your new research and opportunities to the right audience. If you would like to contribute or subscribe to the newsletter, please contact Jeanne Cilliers who is the PR-Officer responsible for editing the newsletter. You can also join our Facebook group for more frequent announcements and updates.

— The AYDH Team

FROM THE AYHD BOARD

by TIM RISWICK

Over the last few months we have focused on strengthening existing plans for the growth of our association. Next to the relevant conferences and training opportunities, we have updated the information on all the organizations, networks and institutes that are involved in historical demographic research and education on our website. If you are aware of any information that is still missing, please let us know. During the next month a list of journals in which historical demographers frequently publish will also be added. To be more accessible and to connect young historical demographers with each other even more we have set up a Twitter account alongside our Facebook group and page.

To connect people in real life we are organizing a couple of informal events at upcoming conference. We are pleased to inform you that during the European Social Science History Conference in Belfast, we have a meet-up on Friday the 6th of April at 19:00 in the Small Library Room of the historical bar and restaurant The Parlour Bar. The bar is located very near to the Queen's University. During this event we can get to know each other better, exchange research ideas and more importantly have a nice evening with peers. Please register with [Tim Riswick](#) if you are planning to join so we can confirm our reservation for The Parlour Bar!

A second event will be organised at the European Population Conference (EAPS) in Brussels (June 6-9 2018). Keep an eye on our Facebook, Twitter, and website for details. Please join us if you are planning to attend either of these two conference! If you are on Twitter don't forget to tag us @AYHDemographers if you yourself are presenting or see a presentation by one of us! Otherwise, please send pictures of your presentation and experience from the conference so we can post about them. You can either pm or send an e-mail to [Stephanie Thiehoff](#)

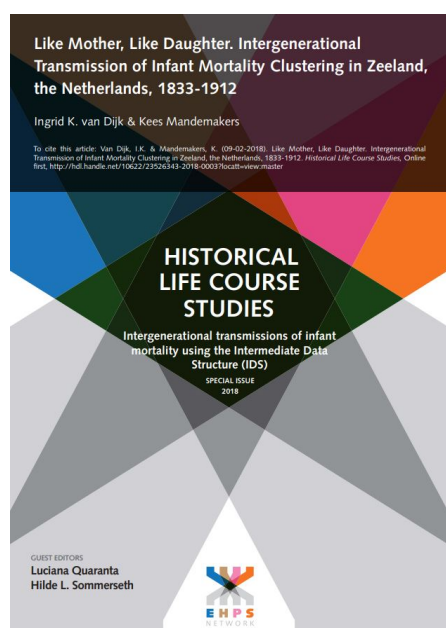


Lastly, our board has changed again. On the one hand our PR-Officer Edward Morgan has decided to leave academia for now, and therefore also resigns from his role on the board. We would like to thank Edward for everything: he has been a constructive contributor from the start and the driving force behind our website. On the other hand, we are happy to welcome Evelien Walhout as our new secretary. You can read more about Evelien at the end of this newsletter.

SPOTLIGHT ON A NEW PUBLICATION

Our newest recommendation "Like Mother, Like Daughter. Intergenerational Transmission of Infant Mortality Clustering in Zeeland, the Netherlands, 1833-1912" comes from Ingrid van Dijk and Kees Mandemakers and appears in a special issue of *Historical Life Course Studies: Urban-rural dichotomies in historical demography*.

Ingrid is a PhD researcher for the project Genes, Germs and Resources within the Radboud Group for Historical Demography and Family History at Nijmegen University.



Abstract: The burden of infant mortality is not shared equally by all families, but clusters in high risk families. As yet, it remains unclear why some families experience more infant deaths than other families. Earlier research has shown that the risk of early death among infants may at least partially be transmitted from grandmothers to mothers. In this paper, we focus on the intergenerational transmission of mortality clustering in the Netherlands in the province of Zeeland between 1833 and 1912, using LINKS Zeeland, a dataset containing family reconstitutions based on civil certificates of birth, marriage and death. We assess whether intergenerational transmission of mortality clustering occurred in Zeeland, and if so, whether it can be explained on the basis of the demographic characteristics of the families in which the infants were born. In addition, we explore the opportunities for comparative research using the Intermediate Data Structure (IDS).

We find that mortality clustering is indeed transmitted from grandmothers to mothers, and that the socioeconomic status of the family, the survival of mothers and fathers, and the demographic characteristics of the family affected infant survival. However, they explain the heterogeneity in infant mortality at the level of the mother only partially.

[🌐 Read the full paper here!](#)

TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

MPIDR intensive short course

The Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) will be offering an eight-day intensive course titled "Life Table and Decomposition Analysis for Population Health Research (using R)" from June 11 to 20, 2018. The course will be held at the MPIDR in Rostock, Germany. There is no tuition fee for this course. However, students are expected to pay their own transportation and living costs. A limited number of scholarships are available on a competitive basis for outstanding candidates and for those applicants who might otherwise not be able to come.

Deadline: **April 10, 2018.**

[🌐 Apply here](#)

International PhD Workshop on Migration and Integration

The Hertie School of Governance in Berlin invites PhD students to participate in a workshop on migration and integration, taking place on July 3-4, 2018. The event is supported by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) and funded by the Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) as part of the IPID4all programme "PHD GLOBAL". Financial support is available to a limited number of students from universities abroad. In recent years, international migration and the integration of immigrants and their descendants have acquired a great political and social relevance in Europe and beyond. They are poised to remain among the most polarising and policy-relevant topics in the coming decades. However, the debates and controversies surrounding migration and integration are not always supported by sound empirical analyses. In this context, the Hertie School would like to provide an interdisciplinary platform for young scholars

to share and discuss their research.

The aim of the workshop is for PhD students to present their work in an encouraging and relaxed peer environment. We are open to different theoretical and methodological approaches. Participants will present their work in progress in one of the sessions. Fellow PhD students and senior scholars from the Hertie School and partner universities will be present to discuss the papers. Travel and accommodation can be covered by the PHD GLOBAL project for participants affiliated with universities outside of Germany.

Deadline: **April 20, 2018.**

🌐 [Read more about how to apply](#)

OPEN CALLS

BSPS Annual Conference

The 2018 British Society for Population Studies conference will be held at the University of Winchester, 10-12 September. All Conference sessions will be held on site, where Conference catering and high-standard accommodation will also be available at very reasonable rates. Booking forms will be available from early May, together with a provisional timetable. There will be a full programme of simultaneous strand sessions of submitted papers. Proposals or abstracts for papers and posters are invited across the entire demographic and population studies spectrum. Presenters are requested to submit on-going work with incomplete analyses and findings as posters rather than papers. Submissions of both quantitative and qualitative papers are welcome. Some sessions within strands have been suggested and these will be organised by the person named as session organiser, within an overall strand and in conjunction with the overall strand organiser.

BSPS student or local authority members who wish to apply for a bursary must indicate this on the submissions form where shown. Eligibility for these bursaries is restricted to members whose 2018 membership subscriptions are up-to-date at the time of submission. Only student and qualifying local authority members are eligible for bursaries. Please do not apply for a bursary if you know you are not eligible.

The NVD has a limited number of travel bursaries available for participating Dutch NVD members who are unable to find funding for travel. Please

contact Leo van Wissen directly at wissen@nidi.nl to apply. Requests are processed on a first-come, first-served basis. These bursaries are also only available if presenting a paper or poster.

Deadline: **April 24, 2018**

🌐 [Apply here](#)

VACANCIES

- Study at Shanghai University

Applications for Bachelor, Masters, and PhD studies at Shanghai University are now open. Including scholarships. Check the MSc and PhD demography programs.

🌐 [Apply here](#)

- Two to three postdoc positions, Max Planck

The Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research (MPIDR) is recruiting 2-3 highly qualified Post-Docs / Research Scientists to join the newly established Laboratory of Digital and Computational Demography. The MPIDR is one of the leading demographic centers in the world. It is part of the Max Planck Society, a network of over 80 institutes that form Germany's premier basic-research organization. Max Planck Institutes have an established record of world-class, foundational research in the sciences, technology, and the humanities, and they offer a unique environment that combines the best aspects of an academic setting and a research laboratory.

The Laboratory of Digital and Computational Demography, headed by MPIDR Director Emilio Zagheni, is looking for candidates with a background in Demography, Data Science, Computer Science, Statistics, Economics, Sociology, Geography, Applied Mathematics, or related disciplines. The successful candidate must have a PhD (or receive it soon) and is expected to conduct cutting-edge research in the field of Digital and Computational Demography.

Deadline: **April 8, 2018.**

🌐 [Apply here](#)

- ESRC PhD Studentship in Demography

Residential Context and Childbearing: Application of a Spatial Multilevel Multiprocess Hazard Model to Study Contextual Determinants of Fertility. This

PhD project will investigate childbearing patterns by residential context in Britain, a country with a significant spatial fertility variation.

The PhD studentship is based at the University of St Andrews and is funded by the ESRC Scottish Graduate School of Social Science (within the Health, Families, Relationships and Demographic Change pathway). The scholarship includes an Advanced Quantitative Method (AQM) enhanced stipend. The PhD student will be supervised by Professor Hill Kulu, Dr Katherine Keenan and Dr Jed Long. The studentships will commence in October 2018.

Deadline: **April 13, 2018.**

 [Apply here](#)

- Commonwealth Scholarship, MSc Demography

The University of Southampton is seeking MSc Demography candidates for the Commonwealth Shared Scholarships scheme. The scholarships are for candidates from least developed and lower middle income Commonwealth countries, for full-time Master's study on selected courses. The scholarship covers tuition fees, living allowance, and some other costs. Applications will be ranked based on academic qualifications and potential impact of the work on the development of the candidate's home country. Please be in touch with the programme director Dr Heini Vaisanen as soon as possible, if you wish to apply.

Eligibility: Holders of a first degree of at least upper second class (2:1) in a field relevant to demography, who are citizens or refugees and permanently residing in one of the following countries: Bangladesh, Cameroon, Ghana, Guyana, India, Kenya, Kiribati, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Nigeria, Pakistan, Papua New Guinea, Rwanda, Samoa, Sierra Leone, Solomon Islands, Sri Lanka, Swaziland, Tanzania, Tuvalu, Uganda, Vanuatu, or Zambia.

Deadline: **April 10, 2018.**

 [Apply here](#)

- Postdoc position, Umeå University

The Centre for Demographic and Ageing Research at Umeå University is looking for a new post-docs. The position is inter-disciplinary in nature and candidates representing different disciplines are welcome to apply. The position concerns life course

perspectives on disability, and is funded by the European Research Council through the project 'DIS-LIFE Liveable Disabilities', led by Lotta Vikström, Professor of History.

Deadline: **April 12, 2018.**

 [Apply here](#)

- Lise Meitner Excellence Programme, Max Planck Society

The Max Planck Society is looking for highly motivated, highly talented and highly committed female junior scientists for its Lise Meitner Excellence Program. The graduation date of the candidates must not date back more than nine years (family-related interruptions will be taken into account). Ideally, the candidates should already have acquired first experiences as a Group Leader. First scientific independence at an early stage of the scientific career is a prerequisite for successful participation in the Lise Meitner Excellence Program, just like the proof of outstanding innovative scientific achievements. Applications from female Leaders of a Max Planck Research Group and from the Max Planck Society's Minerva Program are possible in principle, in accordance with the above-mentioned criteria.

All incoming applications will be viewed and examined according to the highest excellence criteria within the framework of a rigorous two-stage selection procedure. A personal selection day will probably take place in the early summer of 2018. As a rule, the funding of the Lise Meitner Groups will start as of 1st January 2019. Each Lise Meitner Group will receive funds for personnel and material resources of its own and may use the infrastructure of the relevant Max Planck Institute. The Leaders of a Lise Meitner Group may appropriate the approved funds at their discretion. In addition, they receive the guarantee that they will participate in a W2 tenure track procedure at the latest after five years. In case of positive evaluation, both the W2 position and the Research Group will be made permanent. And, what is more: the names of the Lise Meitner Group Leaders will be included for further career development in the Section lists of "directorable" W3 women.

Deadline: **April 18, 2018.**

 [Read more](#)

- Ined PhDs

The institut national d'études démographiques (Ined) is recruiting 3 Phd students for a 3 year contracts. The selected doctoral students will be welcomed to the ined (Paris, France) and will carry out their research within one of the 11 research units of the institute.

Deadline: **April 18, 2018** 12 pm Paris time.

[🌐 Read more](#)

- PhDs @ Vrije Universiteit Brussel

The Interdisciplinary Research Program at Vrije Universiteit Brussel has two calls for PhD students, on 'Migration and Malthusian thinking' and 'Ethnic profiling, discrimination and policing of migrants in public space' respectively.

Deadline: **June 25, 2018**.

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- AYHD Ambassadors

There are currently still several vacancies for AYHD regional ambassadors. Ambassadors are the vital link between the executive board and the community of a certain geographical area. We are still looking for ambassadors for:

- North America - Latin and South America - and Oceania. For more information on how to become an AYHD ambassador contact our chairperson, [Tim Riswick](#)

- Vancacy as AYHD PR-Officer for our website

The current PR-officer responsible for our website, Edward Morgan, is about to leave us. If you are interest in joining our board and taking care of our association's website, please send us a message or contact our president Tim Riswick via e-mail or at our ESSHC2018 meeting (06/04/18).

[🌐 Read about the position here](#)

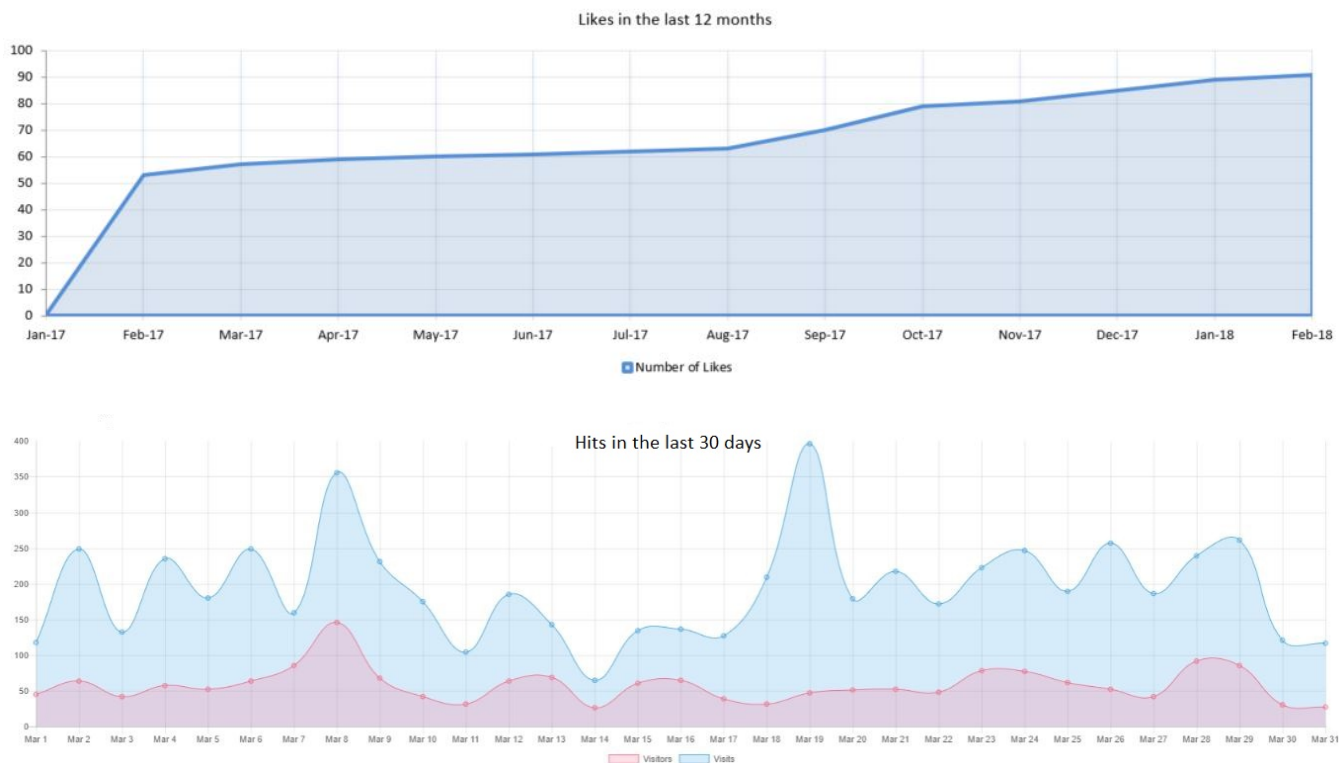
WELCOME EVELIEN

We welcome our new AYHD Secretary, Evelien Walhout. Evelien studied History at Leiden University with a special focus on historical demography and family history. From 2000, she was successively affiliated with the Netherlands Interdisciplinary Demographic Institute (NIDI) in The Hague, the International Institute of Social History (IISG) in Amsterdam and several Dutch universities. She has taught at Radboud University Nijmegen and Leiden University. Her fields of research include infant and childhood mortality, female labor participation, adoption practices, social epidemiology, family and care systems, children and (sexual) violence (institutionalized populations), and on the link between religion and (cause specific) mortality. Evelien is currently affiliated with Verwey-Jonker Institute in Utrecht and the Dutch Ministry of Justice and Security (De Winter Commission). She is also co-editor of the Yearbook of Women's History, a peer-reviewed academic annual covering all aspects of gender connected with historical research throughout the world, and General Secretary of the International Commission for Historical Demography. In addition, she is finalizing her dissertation on infant morbidity and mortality patterns in 19th- and early 20th-century Netherlands (Sociology, Tilburg University).



AYHD ANALYTICS

Curious about our growing on-line presence? Here is a quick overview of AYHD's on-line reach. You can help us grow our association by regularly liking and sharing our posts!



Number of people reached in this month via Facebook: 746

Views of the Facebook page this month: 81

Number of viewers of the WebPage this month: 1788 (All time total: 30 905)

Number of views of the WebPage this month: 5990 (All time total: 90 963)

New twitter followers: 94

Twitter profile visits: 430

Tweet impressions: 948

NEW PUBLICATIONS BY YOUNG RESEARCHERS

- [1] Holom, E.C., Sorescu-Iudean, O., Hărăguș, M., 2018a. [Beyond the Visible Pattern: Historical Particularities, Development, and Age at First Marriage in Transylvania, 1850–1914](#). *The History of the Family*, 1–30.
- [2] Junkka, J., 2018. [Voluntary Associations and Net Fertility During the Swedish Demographic Transition](#). *European Journal of Population*. Online open access.
- [3] Liczbińska, G., Czapla, Z., Piontek, J., Malina, R.M., 2018. [Age at menarche in Polish University students born before, during and after World War II: Economic effects](#). *Economics and Human Biology* 28, 23–28.
- [4] Pujadas-Mora, J.-M., Brea-Martínez, G., Sánchez, J.-P.J., Cabré, A., 2018. [The apple never falls far from the tree: siblings and intergenerational transmission among farmers and artisans in the Barcelona area in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries](#). *The History of the Family* 0, 1–35.
- [5] Rusterholz, C., 2018. [Religion and Contraception in Comparative Perspective—Switzerland, 1950–1970](#), in: *The Schism of '68, Genders and Sexualities in History*. Palgrave Macmillan, Cham, pp. 99–119.