NordWel Symposium: Intervention and Deprivation: Long-Run Perspectives on Policy and Poverty, Helsinki, June 8th-9th 2011

Venue: Auditorium XIII, University of Helsinki Main Building, Unioninkatu 34. All are welcome. For further information on NordWel, see http://blogs.helsinki.fi/nord-wel/

Welcome, June 8th, 13.15-13.30

Session 1, June 8th, 13.30-15.00: Ethnicity and poverty: The eternal Gypsy

Miika Tervonen (Finnish Literature Society / History of the Finnish Roma-project): Ethnicity as marginality? Historical cases of Finnish Roma and Swedish Resande

Eszter Varsa (Central European University): Child protection and the solution of the "Gypsy-Question": Intersections of gender and "race"/ethnicity in the protection of abandoned/endangered children in early state socialist Hungary

Discussant: Norma Montesino Parra (Lund University)

Session 2, June 8th, 15.30-17.00: Urban poverty in the laboratory of local politics

Inger Lyngdrup Nørgård (University of Southern Denmark): The great Copenhagen poor plan of 1799: Looking forward, looking backward or looking outside?

Inge Mønster-Kjær (University of Southern Denmark): Intentions and practice in Danish poor relief in 19th century: Local initiative in poorhouse regulations compared to national legislation

Jarmo Peltola (University of Tampere): At the Sites, in the Cabinets, in the Streets: Power and Unemployment Policy in Tampere during the Great Depression, 1928-1938

Discussant: Panu Pulma (University of Helsinki)

Session 3, June 9th, 10.15-11.45: Children, welfare and development

Maiju Riihola (National Institute for Health and Welfare): Raised by Depression – historical-epidemiological study on the life course health effects of the 1930’s Depression


Helene Laurent (University of Helsinki): Children, war and welfare

Discussants: Juho Härkönen (Stockholm University), Pauli Kettunen (University of Helsinki)

Session 4, June 9th, 13.15.-14.45: Famines, nations and assistance

Antti Häkkinen (University of Helsinki): "The unfairness of death": Famine relief and mortality in Finland in the 1860s

Andrew Newby (Helsinki Collegium for Advanced Studies): "Any trifle will be an infinite service": Britain and the provision of famine relief in Ireland and Finland, c. 1845-1868

Discussant: Holger Weiss (Åbo Akademi University)

Closing, June 9th, 14.45-15.15