Invitation

The Potential of Microdata on Higher Education Institutions in Europe

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The seminar will introduce participants to the newly created ETER dataset. Supported by the European Commission and by Eurostat, the European Tertiary Education Register is an officially validated census of all institutions of higher education (HEIs) in Europe, covering the vast majority of students enrolled in tertiary education. The dataset includes institutional data, student (enrolments and degrees), academic and non-academic staff, with a breakdown by field of education, degree, gender, and nationality. By 2017 data on income sources and expenditures will also be available. All data are geo-referentiated. Due to the census nature of data, it is possible to merge the dataset with data on university output (publications, patents, third mission indicators), as well as with regional data. A number of open issues in the economics of higher education and research, as well as in regional economics, economic geography, public economics, and efficiency analysis can be addressed with a fresh approach.

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