

Call for papers for presentation at a conference on

**Comparative International Research Based on HRS, ELSA, SHARE
and Similar Data**

RAND Center for the Study of Aging

July 16 and 17, 2010
Santa Monica, CA

The Health and Retirement Study, the English Longitudinal Study of Ageing, and the Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe are based on similar survey instruments so as to facilitate comparative cross-country research. The aim of this conference is to present research based on these data sets, and on other data sets that permit international comparisons. Papers on any topic, including methodological papers, will be considered. Especially encouraged is research that will take advantage of the interactions among health (broadly conceived to include, for example, mood, cognition and performance measures), social interactions, and economic status including labor market behavior. Preference will be given to papers that use at least two data sets.

The RAND Center will pay for travel and accommodations for one author and possibly two depending on total budget.

Please send abstracts or papers by January 31, 2010 to Diana Malouf (malouf@rand.org). Besides providing enough information about the research aims and methods to permit evaluation, the abstract should also say which data sets will be used. Invited authors will be notified by February 10, 2010.

Attendees may want to arrive early to attend the RAND Summer Institute, which will be held July 12-15. See <http://www.rand.org/labor/aging/rsi/> for information about RSI 2010.