

Call for papers for presentation at a conference on

## **Comparative International Research Based on the HRS Family of Data**

RAND Center for the Study of Aging

July 10 and 11, 2015  
Santa Monica, CA

The Health and Retirement Study was a model for a number of other studies such as The English Longitudinal Study of Ageing, The Survey of Health, Ageing and Retirement in Europe, The Japanese Study of Aging and Retirement, and The China Health and Retirement Longitudinal Study. The HRS family of studies 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 extended abstracts or papers by March 5, 2015 to Cary Greif (cgreif@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 March 15, 2015.

Attendees may want to arrive early to attend the RAND Summer Institute, which will be held July 6-9. See <http://www.rand.org/labor/aging/rsi/> for information about RSI 2015.