



Webinar Series on COVID-19 & Inequality

Inequalities in the Times of a Pandemic

by Stefanie Stantcheva, Harvard University

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4:00pm (CET)
Virtual event

Stefanie Stantcheva, Professor of Economics at Harvard University and founder of the [Social Economics Lab](#), presented the latest findings from her paper on [Inequalities in the times of a pandemic](#) which explores the major inequalities that have been exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic and discusses avenues for policy intervention over the medium and long run.

Professor Stantcheva studies the taxation of firms and individuals, as well as how people understand, perceive, and form their attitudes towards public policies. Her work has centred around the long-lasting effects of tax policy – on innovation, education, and wealth. Recently, she has studied how R&D policies can be improved to foster innovation, how income and corporate taxes have shaped innovation over the 20th century, and how student loans can be structured to improve access to education. She has also explored people's attitudes towards taxation, health care, immigration policies, environmental policies, and social mobility using large-scale Social Economics Surveys and Experiments.

She received a Ph.D. in Economics from MIT in 2014 and was a junior fellow at the Harvard Society of Fellows 2014-2016 before joining the Harvard Department of Economics in July 2016. She was selected as the best French young Economist in 2019 and is a member of the French Council of Economic Analysis. She is currently co-editor of the Quarterly Journal of Economics. For more information, you can access her webpage here: <https://scholar.harvard.edu/stantcheva/home>.

This webinar was organised as part of a series of webinars that aim to explore the evidence base and carve a comprehensive overview of the COVID-inequality nexus in a number of areas including: income, spatial inequality, ethnicity and migration, labour, gender, child and education, mental health, environment and more. The webinar is open to academics, statisticians, policy professionals and other experts interested or working on these topics.

For more information, visit: <https://oe.cd/covid-inequality>.

Agenda

- 4:00pm Welcome by Fabrice Murin, OECD WISE Centre
- 4:05pm [Presentation by Stefanie Stantcheva](#), Harvard University
- 4:50pm Discussion by Mark Pearson, Deputy Director, OECD Directorate for Employment, Labour and Social Affairs
- 5:00pm [Presentation by Orsetta Causa](#), Deputy Head of Division, Economics Department
- 5:10pm Floor open for discussion
- 5:30pm End of meeting



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