

It is no news that the ISS has become quite international. But it is new(s) that our institute's newsletter will be published in English from this issue onwards. We hope that you'll enjoy reading it!

Top performance @ ISS in research, teaching ... and Karate!

We are very happy that the ISS managed to defend its leading position in the *Global Ranking of Academic Subjects* in 2024, reflecting the outstanding research performance of the institute's entire staff.

Moreover, we would like to congratulate **Lisa Jesse**, who received the WiSo faculty's *Junior Teaching Award*, and **Leonie Diffené** – who won, with the German team, the silver medal at the most recent *Karate World Championship Tournament* in Japan!



Selected new publications by ISS researchers

- Den Akker, O.R., ..., Wingen, S., ..., Wicherts, J.M. (2024). The potential of preregistration in psychology: Assessing preregistration producibility and preregistration-study consistency. *Psychological Methods*.
- Hasselhorn, F.A., Sattler, S., Kroneberg, C., & Seddig, D. (2024) The self-control ability scale: Measuring a key construct of situational action theory. *Justice Quarterly*.
- Hünteler, B., Nutz, T., & Wörn, J. (2024). Intergenerational family life courses and wealth accumulation in Norway. *Social Forces*.
- Jesse, L., Bordone, V., & Hank, K. (2025). Adult intergenerational proximity and parents' depressive symptoms: A bidirectional approach. *Social Science Research*.
- Leopold, T., Raab, M., Becker, C.C., Buyukkececi, Z., Çineli, B. (2024). Mapping modern kinship networks: First results from the KINMATRIX survey. *Journal of Marriage and Family*.
- Tobler, L., Christoph, B., Fervers, L., & Jacob, M. (2025). When the burden lifts: The effect of school and day care reopenings on parents' life satisfaction. *Journal of Happiness Studies*.

'Farewell'-Symposium for Michael Wagner

On the occasion of Michael Wagner's retirement from his position as a Professor of Sociology (which he had held since 1997), the ISS organized a 'farewell' symposium attended by about 60 colleagues, friends, and family members. Talks were given by, for example, Karl Ulrich Mayer (supervisor of Michael's dissertation & habilitation thesis), long-standing co-authors Johannes Huinink and Clara Mulder, as well as former research assistants Nicole Hiekel, Stefan Mauritz, and Bernd Weiß.

We are very grateful for Michael's work in the past – and happy that he will continue to serve as editor-in-chief of our journal, the *KZfSS*!



(Photos: Franz Bauske)

The ISS wishes you a nice term break!

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