



## SPEAKERS' BIOGRAPHIES

**Maria Albin**, MD, is associate professor of Occupational and Environmental Medicine at Lund University, and senior consultant at the Division of Occupational and Environmental Medicine, Lund University Hospital. She is the PI for several large-scale interdisciplinary research projects, including the Centre for Medicine and Technology for Working Life and Society ([www.metalund.lu.se](http://www.metalund.lu.se)) and *Longer working life – including working conditions, health, and conditions outside the work-place* (see further [www.swaw.se](http://www.swaw.se)). She participated in the JPI- More Years Better Lives fast track activity Understanding Employment Participation, JPI UEP. She serves as an expert in the national Swedish Commission on Social Inequalities in Health.

**Dr<sup>in</sup> Irene Kloimüller**, Promotion in medicine, Degree in psychotherapy (existence analysis), MBA in Health Care Management, Professional business consulting, trading licence since 15 years. Main working fields: work ability management, disability management, generation management. Since 2012 programme manager for fit2work – business consulting (according to the Labour and Health Act) for the Austrian Government. Since 2014 course director of the postgraduate university course on workability – and disability management. Member of the Viennese Women Health Advisory Board, lecturer at several universities

**Stephen Bevan**, is Director of the Centre for Workforce Effectiveness at The Work Foundation and an Honorary Professor at Lancaster University. Stephen has conducted research on high-performance work practices, employee reward strategy, staff engagement and retention and Good Work. He has a special interest in workforce health and wellbeing, leading a number of national and international projects focusing on workforce health and the impact of chronic illness on productivity and social inclusion.

He is an advisor to a number of UK government departments and has advised employers and policymakers in Europe, Asia-Pacific, Australasia and North America. In 2014 he was named the 6th most influential HR thinker in the UK and received a special award from GAMIAN-Europe for his contribution to the field of mental health. Stephen is a reviewer for several academic journals, including *The Lancet*, a regular columnist for *HR Magazine*, a judge at the Global Healthy Workplace Awards and is a member of Public Health England's Health & Work Advisory Board, the Health and Work Group of the Public Health Responsibility Deal and the British Society of Rheumatology International Strategy Group. Stephen is Chair of the UK Fit for Work Coalition and Director of The Work Foundation's Health at work policy unit.



**Juhani Ilmarinen**, From 2006 to 2008 Juhani Ilmarinen was a Professor and Director of the Theme Life Course and Work in the Finnish Institute of Occupational Health ( FIOH ), Helsinki, Finland. In 1978 he made his Ph.D. in Health and Sport Sciences (Work Physiology) in University of Cologne, Germany. From 1992 - 2005 he was the Director of the Department of Physiology in FIOH. Ilmarinen and his multidisciplinary research team created the concept of Work Ability, Work Ability Index (WAI) and Age Management. From 1989 to 2006 professor Ilmarinen was the Secretary of the Scientific Committee Ageing and Work of the International Commission on Occupational Health (ICOH). During his service, the Committee organised worldwide over 10 workshops, symposia and conferences in Ageing and Work and published several proceedings. Through the Committee activities the topic Promotion of Work Ability of Ageing Workers and the Work Ability Index (WAI) were implemented in 26 countries. Ilmarinen was also the Chairman of the Technical Committee Ageing of the International Ergonomics Association (IEA) from 1997 – 2007. In 2006 the Carl Bertelsmann Price for Active Aging Policy was given to Finland due to it's national Program on Ageing Workers 1998-2002. Prof. Ilmarinen was one of the key player of the program.

In November 2008, the first National Prize for Innovative Practices in Employment and Social Policy was give to professor Ilmarinen. Since 2009 professor Ilmarinen is working in his Juhani Ilmarinen Consulting Ltd ([www.jic.fi](http://www.jic.fi)). From 2009 to 2010 he worked as Visiting Professor for Occupational Well-Being and Work Ability in Swinburne Technical University, Melbourne, Australia. In 2010-2011, professor Ilmarinen acted as a Chairman of the Managing Board of the Gerontology Research Centre, University of Jyväskylä, Finland. In 2011 Ilmarinen was nominated as a member of the scientific council of the ddn-Das Demographie-Netzwerk, Dortmund, Germany. Today prof. Ilmarinen is working in Finland, Sweden, Netherlands, Germany, Austria and Australia.

Prof. Ilmarinen has more than 500 publications in work physiology, work ability and ageing. He has published 8 books, e.g. a handbook of age management “Towards a longer work life” in 2006.

His mission is to promote the situation of all generations worldwide, and especially of older workers with evidence based concepts and solutions.

**Prof. Paulien M. Bongers** is Director of TNO Prevention, Work & Health and also holds an academic chair on Work and Health at the Amsterdam VU Medical Center. TNO Prevention, Work & Health contributes to the solution of work related issues of today and tomorrow by developing and applying scientific knowledge on how to increase health, vitality and sustainable productivity and employment. We work on these solutions for and with workers, companies, intermediate- and sector organizations and networks.