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1. Executive Committee and Council 2003

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2. Message from the President

Dear ESPE friends,

It's a pleasure to report that 2003 has been another year of prosperity for ESPE. For the first time, the annual conference has been held outside of Europe. This choice of conference venue does not only reflect the long-time support of ESPE by North-American researchers, it also underscores the Society's commitment to be an international organization that supports population economics research in Europe as well as in other parts of the world.

Measured by the quality of the papers, the keynote speeches by James Heckman and Thomas Sargent, the presence of a large number of participants from more than twenty different countries, and the lively discussions, the conference has been very successful (some conference statistics can be found elsewhere in this newsletter). Chris Flinn proved that it is possible to be local organizer (with support from Anne Stubing) and program chairman (with support from Daniela del Boca and Wilbert van der Klaauw) simultaneously and do both tasks very well. I thank Chris and his collaborators for all the work they have done for the conference. We also experienced that the city of New York and New York University continue to be a hospitable environment to the academic community.

The preparations for the ESPE 2004 Conference in Bergen, Norway are well under way. Chairperson of the local organizing committee is Alf Erling Risa. Christoph Schmidt will act as the chairperson of the program committee; see www.espe.org for details.

The financial condition of ESPE is solid and provides some room for initiatives to enhance participation in the Society. In addition to the fee waiver scheme for PhD students that already operates successfully for several years, the Council has decided to introduce a fee reduction scheme for researchers from countries in Eastern Europe. It is hoped that this new scheme will encourage participation from parts of Europe that have shown limited or no participation in the past.

On behalf of the Council and Executive Committee I thank all of you for your continued support to the Society. I look forward to the ESPE years to come.

Peter Kooreman

ESPE President 2003

3. Call for Contributions to the Newsletter

The ESPE newsletter provides information on the society's activities, on past, present and future events within or outside the Society's framework. All members are kindly invited to use the ESPE Newsletter to make announcements of events in the field of population economics. Please send all contributions to the Secretary.

4. Call for Papers: European Society for Population Economics (ESPE)

The Eighteenth Annual Conference will take place on June 10-12, 2004, in Bergen, Norway. The Conference is held for the exchange of research results and ideas in a number of fields, including household economics, labor economics, public economics, demography, and health economics.

Christoph M. Schmidt (RWI Essen) will serve as the program chair, Alf Erling Risa from Bergen University as the local organizer. All submissions should be sent by e-mail to the program committee at espe2004@rwi-essen.de. Submissions should include an abstract and, when possible, the paper itself. Preference will be given to submissions that include a complete paper, other things equal. Abstracts are to be submitted as plain text in the main body of the email; papers should be sent as attachments in either MS Word, .pdf, or .ps format.

The submission deadline is February 1, 2004. Acceptance decisions will be communicated in March. Waivers of the conference registration fee will be provided for 10 graduate students. To apply for a waiver the submission of a full paper together with a confirmation of student status by the dissertation supervisor is required. ESPE wants to actively increase the participation from Eastern European Countries. Presenters from such a country (including the European Union Accession Countries) who are within ten years after their PhD. can apply for a 50% reduction in the registration fee. Information on conference location, registration, and hotel reservations will be available through www.espe.org.

5. Elections 2003: Candidate for President

Christoph M. Schmidt (RWI Essen): He studied economics at the University of Mannheim, Germany, where he received his degree as Diplom-Volkswirt in 1987, at Princeton University, where he received his M.A. in 1989 and his Ph.D. in 1991, and at the University of Munich, where he received the degree of Dr.rer. pol. habil. in 1995.

Since 2002 Schmidt is President of the Rheinisch-Westfälisches Institut für Wirtschaftsforschung (RWI Essen) and Full Professor at the Ruhr-Universität Bochum. 1995-2002 he taught econometrics and labor economics as a Full Professor at the University of Heidelberg. Schmidt was awarded a Princeton University Fellowship, 1987-1990, the Alfred P. Sloan Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, 1990-1991, and was a fellow of the Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) 1992-1995. Since 1992, he has been a Research Affiliate of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), London, since 1996 a CEPR Research Fellow, and since 1998 he is also a Research Fellow at the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Bonn.

His research interests include applied econometrics, in particular in labor and population economics; he served as an Editor of the Journal of Population Economics and has published articles in journals such as Review of Economics and Statistics and Journal of Public Economics.

Selected Publications:

Kluge, J. and Ch.M. Schmidt (2002): Can training and employment subsidies combat European unemployment? *Economic Policy* 2002: 409–448.

Kluge, J., H. Lehmann and Ch.M. Schmidt (1999), Active Labor Market Policies in Poland: Human Capital Enhancement, Stigmatization, or Benefit Churning? *Journal of Comparative Economics* 27: 61-89.

Haisken-DeNew, J.P. and Ch.M. Schmidt (1997), Inter-Industry and Inter-Region Differentials: Mechanics and Interpretation. *Review of Economics and Statistics* 79: 516-521.

Schmidt, Ch.M., A. Stiltz and K.F. Zimmermann (1994), Mass Migration, Unions, and Government Intervention. *Journal of Public Economics* 55:185-201.

Schmidt, Ch.M. and K.F. Zimmermann (1991), Work Characteristics, Firm Size and Wages. *Review of Economics and Statistics* 73: 705-710.

Rotte, R. and Ch.M. Schmidt (2002), On the Production of Victory: Empirical Determinants of Battlefield Success in Modern War. *Defence and Peace Economics* 14: 175-192.

Schmidt, Ch.M. (2000), Persistence and the German Unemployment Problem: Empirical Evidence on German Labor Market Flows. *Economie et Statistique* 332-333, 2000-2/3: 83-95.

6. Election 2003: Council

Four council members need to be elected. The elected council members will start their 3-year term in 2004. Usual voting procedures are being followed according to the statutes. We are applying a new system of E-voting which will facilitate voting procedures for all members for whom we have e-mail addresses. For other members, a postal ballot with directions on how to complete it is included with this newsletter. To be valid, it must be returned to the office of the Secretary before **January 15, 2004**.

The candidates and their biographical details are listed alphabetically below.

Marco Francesconi: Principal Research Officer at the Institute for Social and Economic Research at the University of Essex, where he previously held other research positions and a post-doc fellowship sponsored by the European Union. He completed his PhD in Economics at New York University in 1995 and his BA in Economics at Bocconi University (Milan) in 1987. He is a Research Fellow of CEPR (London), IZA (Bonn) and CHILD (Turin) and a Research Associate of IFS (London). His main interests are in family and labour economics, and his recent work covers as diverse issues as the estimation of intergenerational links and transfers of human capital, evaluation of public policy programmes, bargaining models of family behaviour, and labour market dynamics. He has published papers on such issues in various journals, including the *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *European Economic Review*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, *Economica*, *Oxford Economic Papers*, and the *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society*.

Valérie Lechene : PhD in Economics, 1993, at Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales (EHESS), Paris. University Lecturer at the University of Oxford and Fellow of Wadham College; Research Associate at the Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS); Associate of the Center for Household, Income, Labour and Demographic Economics (CHILD).

Research interests: microeconometrics, economics of the family, consumption and

labour supply, health economics.

Publications in Journal of Political Economy, Annales d'Economie et Statistiques, Review of Economics of the Household, Review of Economic Dynamics.

Alf Erling Risa (born 1952): Professor of economics, and presently dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences at the University of Bergen. He is affiliated with Centre for Economic Studies of Social Insurance and Programme for Health Economics, both at the University of Bergen, CESifo, and IZA. Research interests include theoretical and applied analyses of social insurance and the welfare state, economic policy towards accident prevention, evaluation studies in health economics, and intergenerational distribution and pension policies. He has published in journals such as Journal of Population Economics, Economic Journal, Journal of Health Economics, Public Choice, Southern Economic Journal, Scandinavian Journal of Economics and European Sociological Review.

Catherine Sofer: PhD of the University ParisIX-Dauphine (1982)

Professor of economics at the University Paris1-Panthéon-Sorbonne since 1999

TEAM (CNRS and University Paris1).

Member of the Organisation Committee of the EALE Conference (Paris, 2002)

Member of the Organisation and Scientific committee of the annual JMA (Journées de Microéconomie Appliquée) Conference since 1999.

Member of the Scientific Committee of the CNRS-GDR MAGE (CNRS Network : Gender and the Labour Market)

Co-editor of Review of Household Economics since 2002

Research Interests: Household behaviour, Women's work, Youth Labour Market

Major recent publications in English:

1998 "Bargaining, Compensating Wage Differentials and Dualism of the Labor Market.

Theory and Evidence for France." (with C. Daniel), Journal of Labor Economics, July, Vol.16, n°3, p.546-575

1998 "The Extent of Labour Specialization in the Extended Family : a Theoretical and Empirical Analysis." (with G. Lacroix and M. Picot), Journal of Population Economics, Vol 11, n°1 p 223-237

- 2000 “Are the lone parent households often poor in France today ? ” (with D. Clement) in Gender and the labour market. Econometric evidence on obstacles in achieving gender equality, Siv Gustafsson and Danièle Meulders editors, Macmillan
- 2002 “School-to-work transition: apprenticeship versus vocational school in France” (with Liliane Bonnal and Sylvie Mendès), International Journal of Manpower Vol 23 n°5 p 426-442.
- 2004 Human Capital over the Life Cycle : a European perspective, Catherine Sofer editor, Edward Elgar (forthcoming).

Panos Tsakloglou: Associate Professor and Head, Department of International and European Economic Studies, Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB), Greece. B.A. in Economics, University of Thessaloniki, M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics, University of Warwick. Formerly, Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Bristol, member of Eurostat’s Panel of Experts on Poverty Statistics and Assistant Professor, AUEB. His research focuses on questions of poverty, inequality, social exclusion, social policy and the redistributive role of the state. He is a Research Fellow of IZA (Bonn) and IMOP (Athens) and a member of the Editorial Board of the Review of Income and Wealth and a member of the Greek government’s Council of Economic Advisors. He is the co-editor of two books and has published a large number of articles in academic journals and contributions in collective volumes (among others, articles published in the Economic Journal, the Journal of Development Economics, the Review of Income and Wealth and the Journal of European Social Policy).

Klaus F. Zimmermann: Professor of Economics at Bonn University and Director of the Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA Bonn). President of the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin), Honorary Professor of Economics at the Free University of Berlin. Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) in London, Associate Research Fellow of the Centre for European Policy Studies (CEPS) in Brussels, Research Associate of the Center for Comparative Immigration Studies (CCIS) at the University of California-San Diego, and member of the “Group of Economic Analysis” (GEA) to the President of the EU Commission.

For many years member of the Council of the European Society for Population Economics (1994 President of ESPE), the European Economic Association, and of the German Economic Association.

Editorial Activities:

Editor-in-chief: Journal of Population Economics

Editor: Economic Bulletin, DIW-Wochenbericht, DIW-Vierteljahrshefte

Associate Editor: Recherches Economiques de Louvain, Journal of Applied Econometrics, International Journal of Manpower

Recent Publications:

Native Wage Impacts of Foreign Labor: A Random Effects Panel Analysis, Journal of Population Economics, 7 (1994), 177-192. (With J. De New.)

Mass Migration, Unions and Government Intervention, Journal of Public Economics, 55 (1994), 185-201. (With C. M. Schmidt and A. Stilz.)

Tackling the European Migration Problem, Journal of Economic Perspectives, 9 (1995), 45-62.

Is Child like Parent? Educational Attainment and Ethnic Origin, Journal of Human Resources 35 (2000), 550-569. (With Ira Gang.)

Immigration Policy, Assimilation of Immigrants and Natives' Sentiments Towards Immigrants: Evidence from 12 OECD Countries, Swedish Economic Policy Review, 7 (2000), 11-53. (With T. Bauer and M. Lofstrom.)

Portuguese Migrants in the German Labor Market: Performance and Self-Selection, International Migration Review, 36 (2002), No. 2, 467-491. (With T. Bauer, P. T. Pereira and M. Vogler.)

7. Sixteenth ESPE Conference and General Assembly in New York 2003

Report, General Assembly

The Seventeenth General Assembly of the European Society for Population Economics was held on Sunday, June 15, 2003 in New York. 50 members attended the meeting. The President, Peter Kooreman, led the Assembly. He thanked those involved with making the New York meeting a success, especially the local organiser and the scientific organiser Chris Flinn, who was assisted in the latter job by Daniela Del Boca and Wilbert van der Klaauw. This years' meeting was very successful, which can be seen by the highly acclaimed plenary lec-

tures of James Heckman and Thomas Sargent, but also by a very high quality of the contributed papers. The number of contributed papers reached a high of 365 submissions, Chris Flinn and his team have chosen 210 presentations. Attendance at the meeting reached more than 240 participants.

The next conference of ESPE will be held in Bergen at the University of Bergen, June 10-12 2004, Alf Erling Risa will chair the local organizational team. Christoph M. Schmidt from RWI Essen will be the scientific organizer. All submissions should be sent by e-mail to the program committee at espe2004@rwi-essen.de. Submissions should include an abstract and, when possible, the paper itself. Preference will be given to submissions that include a complete paper, other things equal. Abstracts are to be submitted as plain text in the main body of the email; papers should be sent as attachments in either MS Word, .pdf, or .ps format. The submission deadline is February 1, 2004.

For the years 2005 the Council decided hold the Annual meeting in Paris, France.

The Secretary of the Society, Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, reported on the recent elections. In total, 102 ballots were received. Christopher Flinn from New York University was elected President. He will become President of the Society in 2004. Rudolf thanked the outgoing Council Members Panos Tsakoglou, Alf Erling Risa and Pierre Pestieau for their service to the Society. He welcomed Simon Burgess from Bristol and Erik Plug from Amsterdam as new members in the Council, Sara de la Rica and Stephen Jenkins were re-elected. The positions are effective from January 2003. Further information about the Society is to be found on the Web-page of the Society. (www.espe.org). The books of the Society (kept by the Treasurer Regina Riphahn) have been audited by Agneta Kruse and Marco Francesconi, their positive report has been approved by the Assembly. As of December 2001, the Society had 515 members.

Peter Kooreman, President.

Rudolf Winter-Ebmer, Secretary.

8. Call for Papers: EALE Conference 2004

The 2004 meeting of the EALE will be held at the Faculdade de Economia, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Lisbon, Portugal, September 9 – 12. The conference will be organised in collaboration with Instituto Superior de Estatística e Gestão de Informação, Universidade Nova de Lisboa, Banco de Portugal, Universidade Lusófona de Humanidades e Tecnologias, Instituto Superior de Economia e Gestão and the EALE Secretariat in Maastricht.

You are invited to send in papers for submission. Papers are invited in any area of labour economics. A scientific committee will evaluate all submitted papers. Those who wish to present a paper are requested to send full (draft) papers to the EALE Secretariat, Maastricht, The Netherlands before 1 March 2004.

Papers accepted for presentation can be submitted for consideration for publication in the annual Conference Volume of the journal "Labour Economics", edited in 2004 by Professor Pierre Cahuc. Further information concerning submission rules and deadline will be given in the letter of acceptance.

The deadline for submission is March 1, 2004. You may email your complete paper to eale@roa.unimaas.nl.

Consult our website for further instructions on preparing your paper submission <http://www.eale.nl/>

9. Call for Papers: Workshop

7th IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics

April 19-25, 2004

at Buch, Ammersee Lake, Germany

The IZA European Summer School in Labor Economics was created in 1998, as an annual event taking place at the conference center of Deutsche Post at the Ammersee Lake (near Munich) in Bavaria, Germany. The Summer School is supported by the Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR), the European Economic Association (EEA), the European Association of Labor Economists (EALE), and the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE).

The objective of the Summer School is to bring together a large number of PhD students and senior lecturers to study new areas in labor economics. Students have the opportunity to present their work and discuss ideas with established researchers in a relaxed and open atmosphere. The School is open to advanced graduate students from European universities engaged in the preparation of a doctoral dissertation or approaching that stage. Around 35 students will be selected, based on their preparation to participate in advanced study on the subject.

Lecturers:

Armin Falk (University of Bonn and IZA) "Experimental Labor Economics"

Christian Belzil (Centre National de Recherche Scientifique (GATE), IZA and Concordia University) "Empirical Labor Market Models with Dynamic Self-Selection: Applications to

Wage Regression Functions, Human Capital Accumulation Models and Personnel Economics”

Funding:

IZA covers local expenses and pays a travel subsidy.

Application:

Submissions to participate should reach IZA no later than February 2, 2004. Please submit your CV, one letter of support from your PhD supervisor and an abstract for a potential presentation of your research work. Those who are invited to present a paper should deliver a complete paper by March 22, 2004. Applications should be sent, preferably in electronic format, to: Ana Rute Cardoso; IZA, P.O. Box 7240, D-53072 Bonn, Germany
Email: cardoso@iza.org; Fax: 49-228-3894510; Web: <http://www.iza.org>

10. Workshop:

“Severance Payments Reforms: Toward Unemployment Savings and Retirement Accounts,” November 7-8, 2003, Laxenburg/Vienna, Austria, organized by the World Bank, IIASA, and Ludwig Boltzmann Institute for Economic Analysis.

Severance pay – the most prevalent income support system in countries worldwide – needs reform as a labor market efficiency and social protection instrument. Some countries have started to reform their severance pay system by making it externally funded, by linking it with unemployment benefit reforms or by making it explicitly a funded pillar as part of a comprehensive pension reform. Other countries are or should be thinking about a reform in this direction.

The purpose of this workshop is threefold: (i) to take stock of recent reforms or reform proposals in the developed and developing world; (ii) to discuss conceptual and analytical work and proposal for a transformation of these benefits; and (iii) to get a better grasp of the magnitude of the problem and potential solutions for client countries. About 20 newly commissioned papers by internationally acclaimed researchers will be presented, covering the following topics:

Overview of existing severance pay schemes (survey of theoretical and empirical effects, summarize of the experience by regions).

Conversion of severance pay into pension/unemployment insurance savings account schemes (theoretical issues and country cases: Austria, Chile, Columbia, Italy, Korea, and Philippines).

Alternative arrangements: unemployment insurance savings accounts (review of programs in Latin America, simulation studies on Estonia, Korea, and Slovenia).

Contact person: Milan Vodopivec, Senior Economist, The World Bank (HDNSP)
(e-mail: Mvodopivec@worldbank.org)

11. Fellowship:

Two-Year Postdoctoral Fellowship Program at Yale:

Yale University, Economic Growth Center, Two-Year Postdoctoral Fellowship Program on the Economics of the Family in Low-Income Countries. Applications invited from individuals from less developed countries. For more details see:

www.econ.yale.edu/~egcenter/rockefellerprog.htm and then contact directly if you have questions T. Paul Schultz <paul.schultz@yale.edu> .

12. New Books:

Klaus F. Zimmermann / Amelie Constant (Eds.)

How Labor Migrants Fare

Abstract

In the globalized economy, labor migration has become of central importance. A key issue in the analysis of immigration is how the migrants fare in the economy in which they migrate, and how they assimilate towards the behavior of the natives. Using data from the United States, Canada, many European countries, Australia and New Zealand, the chapters study the developments of earnings, employment, unemployment, self-employment, occupational choices and educational attainment after migration. The book also investigates the role of language in labor market integration and examines the situation of illegal, legalized and unwilling migrants. Policy effects are also studied: Among those are the effects of selection criteria of labor market success and the effects immigrants have on the public sector budget of the receiving country. Hence, the book provides a broad picture of performance of migrants.

(Springer-Verlag, Berlin et al. 2003, ISBN 3-540-00665-6)

Klaus F. Zimmermann / Michael Vogler (Eds.)

Family, Household and Work

Abstract

During the last decades the appearance of a family has changed substantially.

Not long ago a typical family consisted of an employed man and a home-managing woman living together for their whole life times, and having one or more children, which primarily were raised by the wife. Today differing living models are much more common than before. House husbands, late motherhood, and a delayed entry of the children are some of the related phenomena, which at the same time are reasons for and consequences of the changed view on the favorite family. Not surprisingly, this change has provoked much scientific interest. In this book we present a collection of recent economic research work on the resources management and development of families and households respectively. Assorting three general topics, we focus on the time allocation within the household, the family structure and development, and the transition to work of young adults.

(Springer-Verlag, Berlin et al. 2003, ISBN 3-540-00360-6)

Matthias Herfurth / Martin Kohli / Klaus F. Zimmermann (Hg.)

Arbeit in einer alternden Gesellschaft.

Problembereiche und Entwicklungstendenzen der Erwerbsbeteiligung Älterer

Abstract

The labor force participation rate as well as the conditions and consequences of the work-retirement transition of older individuals are pivotal topics in social science. In the light of a rapidly changing labor market and the demographic aging process they become even more explosive. Will the future demand for older employees increase? Will shortages of young qualified workers and severe financial problems of the social security systems force our society to extend the life working time and to establish new retirement models? What are the challenges for firms with regard to qualification and conservation of productivity among older employees? A new book provides answers to these questions. It is the result of an extensive cooperation between IZA, the Social Science Information Centre (IZ), the research group "Aging and Curriculum Vitae" (FALL) and the Institute of Sociology at the Free University

of Berlin. The volume offers a comprehensive overview of the present research in the field of sociology and economics. A scientometric description of the research area as well as a commented selection of information resources (institutions, websites) and a glossary are additional parts of the book. A CD-ROM with bibliographic references is also included.

(Leske + Budrich, Leverkusen 2003, ISBN 3-8100-3816-4)

Women's work, the Family and Social Policy

(Daniela Del Boca and Margherita Repetto-Alaia eds), Peter Lang New York 2003

The book focuses on the issue of women's in Italy in a european context.Using a comparative approach the contributors analyse trends in women's employment,the impact on fertility and family patterns of working women,strategies to conciliate work and children, effectiveness of social policy, and the effects of women's on family's income and income distribution.

13. New Journal:

Population Studies

A Journal of Demography

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Francis in 2003

For over half a century, *Population Studies* has reported significant advances in methods of demographic analysis, conceptual and mathematical theories of demographic dynamics and behaviour, and the use of these theories and methods to extend scientific knowledge and to inform policy and practice.

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- Widely read - demographers, sociologists, economists, anthropologists, social statisticians, geographers, historians, epidemiologists, health scientists, policy advisers.

RECENT PAPERS

Gender in population research: Confusing implications for health policy, *Alaka Malwade Basu*

Trends in cohabitation and implications for children's family contexts in the United States, *Larry Bumpass, Hsien-Hen Lu*

Mortality and economic development over the course of modernization: An analysis of short-run fluctuations in Spain, 1850-1990, *David S Reher, Alberto Sanz-Gimeno*

Recent trends in Tanzanian fertility, *Andrew Hinde, Akim J. Muturi*

Pastoralists, agropastoralists and migrants: Interactions between fertility and mobility in northern Burkina Faso, *Kate Hampshire, Sara Randall*

Birth planning and sterilization in China, *Susan E Short, Ma Linmao, Yu Wentao*

Has population growth restricted improvements in food availability per head, 1970-95, *Oystein Kravdal*

Do previous birth interval and maternal education influence infant survival? A Bayesian model averaging analysis of Chinese data, *Michael Murphy and Duolao Wang*

Population and fertility in pre-transition Thailand, *Mark VanLandingham, Charles Hirschman*

The compensation of Nazi Germany's forced labourers: Demographic findings and political implications, *Mark Spoerer, Jochen Fleischhacker*

General Growth Balance Method: A reformulation for populations open to migration, *P.N. Mari Bhat*

Immigration, social change and assimilation: Educational attainment among birth cohorts of Jewish ethnic groups in Israel, 1925-29 to 1965-69, *D Friedlander, B S Okun, Z Eisenbach, LL Elmakias*

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