

# Webinar on working life expectancy

What is working life expectancy?

Moreover, how can we use the estimations  
of working life expectancy?

You can hear more about this at a webinar  
hosted by the Danish National Research  
Centre for the Working Environment (NFA)  
17. June 2020.

Due to the demographic trend, fewer and fewer people in the labour market must 'support' an increasing number of elderly people who have all completed the working life. Therefore, if we are to maintain our welfare society, there is an urgent need for workers to have a longer and more productive working life with good health.

The working life expectancy is a new tool for showing the importance of various conditions in the working environment, concerning the labour market affiliation up to retirement age and thus also the social economy. One can for example show that high physical demands in work increase the number of time in sickness absence, unemployment, and decrease the number of years in work. Knowledge that, among other things, provides a benchmark for working environmentally to keep Danish workers longer in the labour market.

At this webinar, researchers from NFA, the Netherlands and Finland will introduce participants to working life as a concept and tool and provide examples of working life analyses and their results.

## Program – 13:00-14:15 (app.)

- **Working life expectancy as a tool**

Introduction to working life expectancy. Why is it important?

What can it be used for? Examples of how it works.

*Statistician Jacob Pedersen, NFA*

- **Physical hard work and working life expectancy**

Presentation of background, purpose and results from a study of the importance that exposure to high physical demands in the work of Danish workers has for the working life expectancy.

*Professor Lars L. Andersen, NFA*

- **Depression and working life expectancy**

Presentation of background, purpose and results from a study of the importance of depressive symptoms in Danish workers for working life expectancy.

*Professor Ute Bültmann, University of Groningen in the Netherlands*

- **Working life in the Nordic countries**

Introduction to an ongoing study on working life in the Nordic countries funded by the Nordic Council of Ministers – including a comparison of the Nordic registers and job exposure matrices. Also, a presentation of the background, purpose and results of a study on the importance of a deactivating shoulder injury in Finnish workers for working life expectancy.

*Senior Scientist Svetlana Solovieva, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (FIOH), Helsinki, Finland*

- **Discussion and questions**

*Statistician Jacob Pedersen and Professor Lars L. Andersen, both NFA*

## Time, place and enrollment

- **Time:** 17. June at 13:00-14:15
- **Location:** Webinar
- **Registration:** You can sign up for the working life webinar [here](#).

The webinar is held in English. It will be recorded and sent to participants after the meeting. The recording of the webinar will subsequently also be made [available under 'Previous events' on the NFA's website](#).

## More information

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