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international guest speaker seminar organised by the Institute for Social Policy and Research Institute for the Economics of Ageing,

will take place on Wednesday 30th May. Details are as follows:-

Speaker: Prof. Dr. Ulrike Schneider
Vienna University of Economics and Business Administration
Institute for Social Policy and Research Institute for the
Economics of Ageing

Time: 5.15pm

Location: Room 2041A (Swift Lecture Theatre) on the ground floor in the
Arts
Building in Trinity College

Title: 'An Economic Perspective on Informal Caregiving'

Outline: Economists have raised a variety of questions with regard to the informal provision of care to kith and kin. A first strand of literature sets out to explain why rational individuals would sacrifice leisure and employment and career perspectives to take on an unpaid care responsibility. A second strand of literature - which will form the core part of the presentation - focuses on the economic value and on the economic effects of informal caregiving. A variety of studies use replacement costing, opportunity cost approaches or contingent valuation to arrive at a monetary valuation of time spent on informal care and to account for the cost incurred by caregivers and employers due to reallocating resources to long-term care. Against the backdrop of these studies, several points can be made for an expansion of public support to informal carers.

This promises to be a very interesting talk. If you wish to attend, please send an e-mail to Colette Garry/Ana Diaz at ageing.research@tcd.ie