International Network on Leave Policies and Research

- www.leavenetwork.org
- Open access database Annual Review of Leave Policies and Research - maintained annually since 2005. Peter Moss's baby
- International academic collaboration across 52 countries
- No direct funding
- Collects information on government policy
- The review is widely used by international organizations e.g. International Labour Organisation, World Bank, OECD, European Union, UN



What's in it

- Our definitions
- Standardised country notes
- Cross national tables
- Technical appendix

Who does it?

- Massive pro-bono team effort
- Over 100 country note authors
- 5 editors
- Usually a research assistant

Activity is backbone of leave network

Precarious

- Can we make the review sustainable for next 10 years?
- Unfunded
- Succession planning
- Never enough time to do all we would want

Let's take a look

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 https://www.leavenetwork.org/annualreview-reports/cross-country/

Editors' wishlist

- We welcome the opportunity to rethink how we present the cross national tables
- Can we create tables that work better for researchers?
- Can we create more efficient data collection for the tables / notes?

An historical treasure trove of leave terminology

- Possible to track change in terminology over time
- Change creates dilemma for cross national tables

Editors' concerns around Cost Action

- Double asking same experts
- Risk of extra unfunded activity undermining sustainability of the review
- Tension between extreme detail of country notes and questions of simplification for easy comparison
- Audience

Summary

- The Leave Review should be more sustainable and not more vulnerable following Cost Action activities
- How do we manage all this unfunded work / certainly avoiding double work
- Wonderful opportunity to rethink comparative tables (for researchers & policy makers)
- Wonderful opportunity to capture changing terminology & associated changes in norms