



National Institute on Retirement Security

Overview

The National Institute on Retirement Security is a not-for-profit organization established to contribute to informed policymaking by fostering a deep understanding of the value of retirement security to employees, employers, and the economy. NIRS fulfills this mission by conducting national research and education programs. Located in Washington, D.C., the organization has a diverse membership of organizations interested in retirement security issues such as employee benefit plans, state or local agencies that manage retirement plans, trade associations, financial services firms, and other retirement service providers.

Vision

NIRS seeks to encourage the development of public policies that enhance retirement security in America. Our vision is one of a retirement system that simultaneously meets the needs of employers, employees, and the public interest. That is, one where:

- ❖ employers can offer affordable, high quality retirement benefits that help them achieve their human resources goals;
- ❖ employees can count on a secure source of retirement income that enables them to maintain a decent living standard after a lifetime of work;
- ❖ the public interest is well-served by retirement systems that are managed in ways that promote fiscal responsibility, economic growth, and responsible stewardship of retirement assets.

Biography of Ilana Boivie, Policy Analyst

In May 2008, Ilana Boivie joined the National Institute on Retirement Security as a policy analyst. On behalf of NIRS, she conducts original research and analysis regarding U.S. retirement issues. She comes to NIRS after completing a M.A. in Economics at New Mexico State University, where she studied applied econometrics and experimental statistics.

As a graduate assistant with the Arrowhead Center at New Mexico State University, Ms. Bovie conducted economic development and public policy research. As part of a U.S. Small Business Administration grant, she developed economic base studies and small business profiles for the state of New Mexico and each of its 33 counties. This project included designing the study, researching and analyzing economic indicators, and collecting relevant data. Also at New Mexico State University, she conducted independent research on the environmental and economic effects of biofuel technologies for an Environmental Protection Agency grant.

She holds a B.A. in English from Binghamton University, where she graduated Magna Cum Laude.