THE NEW GEOGRAPHY OF GLOBAL POVERTY: TRENDS AND IMPLICATIONS

CALL FOR PAPERS

Parallel Panels at ‘Rethinking Development’, 19-22 September, DSA-EADI Conference York, UK

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Background
This is a call for papers for a set of parallel sessions at the DSA-EADI 2011 conference in September 2011. Over 800 delegates from all over the world will convene in York, United Kingdom from development research institutes, international organisations, CSOs, the European Commission and bilateral donor organisations.

Issues and questions
The spectacular growth of a number of populous countries over the last two decades has changed the global map of poverty—more and more of the remaining poor now live in middle income countries (MICs). Indeed, by some estimates, 72% of the world’s poor according to the lower global poverty line ($1.25 per day) now live in countries whose average incomes nominally exceed the higher global poverty line ($2.50 per day). This new pattern of global poverty—with the mass of the world’s poor living in non-poor countries—raises important questions for analysis and policy. These include: Is the trend of concentration of world poverty in non-poor countries likely to continue? What is the precise contribution of inequality to poverty in MICs? How do patterns of poverty in MICs differ from patterns of poverty in low income countries (LICs)? What are the dimensions of non-income poverty in MICs? What precisely is the nature of global moral obligation towards the poor in non-poor countries? Should aid allocation be targeted equally to the poor in poor and non-poor countries, or should special weight be given to the poor in poor countries? How, if at all, should international agencies with a focus on poverty reduction re-calibrate their engagement in MICs? Based on these questions this is a call for papers on: The patterns of poverty and inequality in MICs; comparisons of poverty levels between MICs and LICs; dimensions of poverty in MICs; and donor approaches to working with MICs. After the conference, the organizers would look to produce a symposium issue of a refereed journal. Please note that due to space limitations the selected papers will either be chosen for presentation or ‘tabled’ (ie not presented at the conference but available on the conference website/CD.)

Timelines
Deadline for substantial (2 page) abstracts or full papers 14 February 2011
Decisions on abstracts/papers 28 February 2011
Deadline for papers 30 April 2011

Please submit at the conference tool at: www.eadi.org/gc2011
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Grants for Southern participants

There are funds available for Southern delegates to the conference who are presenting papers. More information will be given to accepted authors by the conference organizers.