

PEGNet Newsletter Volume 13

Welcome to the first newsletter of the year! In this newsletter we are proud to announce **the call for papers and inputs for the annual PEGNet conference 2013**. The conference will be held in Copenhagen on October 17-18 this year. Apart from the usual academic papers and Best Practice Award, **we particularly encourage inputs from practitioners**.

As another new development at PEGNet, we would like to introduce our newest team member Kacana Sipangule. As always, we will update you news and future events from our members. I hope you will enjoy our newsletter. This and past editions are also available online at: www.pegnet.ifw-kiel.de.



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1. Call for papers and inputs: PEGNet Conference 2013

We are pleased to announce the calls for papers and inputs for the PEGNet Conference 2013 on “**How to Shape Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Economies in the Developing World – Global, Regional, and Local Solutions**” which will be held in cooperation with the Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark on **October 17-18, 2013**

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2. PEGNet has a new team member

PEGNet is growing and now has a new team member! Kacana Sipangule joined the PEGNet team in January 2013, she will assist with the network’s coordination activities and in the preparation of the annual PEGNet conference.

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1. Call for Papers: PEGNet Conference 2013



Call for Papers



Conference 2013

PEGNet: Poverty Reduction, Equity and Growth Network

How to Shape Environmentally and Socially Sustainable Economies in the Developing World – Global, Regional, and Local Solutions

Department of Economics, University of Copenhagen, Copenhagen, Denmark,
October 17-18, 2013

Conference format

The conference will provide a platform for high-level dialogue and exchange of ideas between development researchers, practitioners and policy-makers. The conference will feature parallel sessions based on invited and contributed papers as well as project presentations. The parallel sessions will be complemented by a debate, a round-table discussion, and keynote speeches by renowned speakers from academia, economic policy and development practice. In addition, the PEGNet Best Practice Award will be awarded for the fifth time to best practices in cooperation between researchers and practitioners. While plenary sessions will focus on the conference theme, parallel sessions and Best Practice Award projects are open to all topics surrounding PEGNet's core theme – the nexus between poverty, equity, and growth.

Conference theme

Economic growth has come largely at the expense of natural resource depletion and environmental degradation, and has not yet provided the basis for substantial reductions in economic and social inequality, which is why the concept of green growth has emerged to find ways to make growth compatible with environmental sustainability without neglecting social dimensions.

Inclusive green growth policies are difficult to design and, even in the best case scenarios, are not a panacea for overcoming developing economies' structural shortcomings that have

been excluding the poor from the benefits of growth. In particular, but not exclusively, we invite contributions (papers and projects) that provide answers to the following questions:

- What lessons can be learned from existing poverty reduction strategies about the scope for making social, economic and environmental objectives mutually reinforcing?
- What mix of regulatory, market-based and informative instruments is needed to facilitate the transition towards green growth which is pro-poor and inclusive?
- Are there models of agriculture, which can sustainably meet increased demand for food, feed, fuel and fiber while respecting resource scarcities and the integrity of vital ecosystems?
- What are the technological and financing needs for a green economy transition in agriculture, one that includes and benefits smallholder farmers, agricultural laborers and food security?
- How can the international development community contribute to this?
- How to shape consumer behavior towards green societies in developing and emerging regions?
- How can business and policymakers work together to create a green and inclusive economy, and upscale green and inclusive employment and business models?
- How can green and inclusive growth be modeled?

Best Practice Award

We also ask for submissions of projects, programs, and initiatives for the PEGNet Best Practice Award. This award will be granted to programmes or projects that have achieved effective interaction between research and practice. All initiatives that have proved to put research into action and have thereby fostered cooperation between development research and practice are encouraged to apply. Such initiatives can be development projects or programmes that have incorporated research tools into their design or research projects that have been particularly successful in translating their findings into policy and practice. Initiatives targeted at improving dialogue between researchers and practitioners are also encouraged to apply. <http://www.pegnet.ifw-kiel.de/activities/best-practice-award> provides more information about the award.

A maximum of four projects will be selected by a committee on the basis of a three-page summary of the initiative's objectives, the type of interaction between research and practice as well as its results. The preselected projects will be asked to submit one additional paper or report. At the conference, each nominated initiative will be presented and the winner of a **prize of Euro 3000** will be selected by the committee.

Submission and Deadlines

Please email your submissions to pegnet@ifw-kiel.de in a pdf or Word file and indicate 'PEGNet Conference 2013' in the subject heading. The submission deadline for papers and Best Practice projects is **May 15, 2013**. Notification of acceptance will be sent out in early June 2013. Contributed papers and projects will be selected on the basis of papers or abstracts of not less than **400 words**. Priority will be given to empirical research with clear implications for policy design and implementation. The deadline for full papers and additional material for the Best Practice Award is **August 31, 2013**.

Authors of selected papers will have the option to submit their papers for a special issue of the Economics E-journal (<http://www.economics-ejournal.org/>). Please indicate in your submission Email if you also want to submit your paper for the special issue.

For more information on PEGNet and the conference please refer to www.pegnet.ifw-kiel.de.

Organisers

The conference is co-organised by the Department of Economics at University of Copenhagen, the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (IfW), the German Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and supported the KfW Development Bank, the Gesellschaft für internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and the Courant Poverty Research Centre at the University of Göttingen.

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2. PEGNet has a new team member

Kacana Sipangule joined the PEGNet team in January 2013. She has a Master's degree in Economics from the Free University of Amsterdam and a Bachelor degree in Development Studies and Economics at the University of Zambia. She is currently a PhD candidate at the University of Goettingen.

At PEGNet, her responsibilities will be to coordinate PEGNet activities as well as to conduct research within the Poverty Reduction, Equity, and Development group at the Kiel Institute for World Economy. Prior to her work at PEGNet, she worked as a Research Assistant at GIGA German Institute for Global Area Studies. Her research interests are smallholder agricultural production, large scale land acquisitions and land use change.

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Abstract

Five key emerging market economies, commonly termed the **BRICS (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa)**, have been lauded for their stellar economic growth and resilience through the 2008/09 financial crisis. They are becoming models of development for development practitioners, researchers and other emerging economies. Scratch beneath the

surface, however, and you will notice that **not all people in these countries have benefited equally from growth**. Some countries have seen enormous increases in income inequality – specifically China, India and South Africa; Brazil has enjoyed a reduction. What can be learnt, in terms of the challenges and successes of reconciling growth and equity, from the BRICS' recent growth? This paper examines the experiences of four of the BRICS – Brazil, China, India and South Africa – and identifies four key factors shaping the countries' pattern of growth:

1. **Access to assets**, above all skills, enables people to participate in activities that generate income; in agrarian societies, access to land is critical.
2. **Investment in productive activities** that generate jobs and opportunities for the majority.
3. **Social transfers** to guarantee minimum incomes to those who cannot work or cannot find work.
4. A **political-economic context** that has **inclusion** as a priority.

Link to [paper](#)

4. News from DIE

Workshop on “Macroeconomic impacts and employment effects of solar and wind energy production in the EU and MENA until 2050” to be held on the 4 February 2013 in Bonn.

The **German Development Institute** (DIE), **Dii** (Desert Power Industrial Initiative) and **Kiel Institute for the World Economy** (IfW) have the pleasure of inviting you to a stakeholder consultation to discuss macroeconomic and employment effects of renewable energy deployment in the European Union (EU) and Middle East and North Africa (MENA). In the first part of the workshop, macroeconomic and sector-specific effects of solar and wind technology deployment in the EU-MENA region are evaluated based on modeling of various development pathways until 2050. In the second part, direct and indirect employment effects by sector and in different parts of the value chain will be assessed, using multiplier analyses in accordance with renewable energy investment pathways until 2050. In the third part, research findings will be translated into policies. Based on DIE research in Egypt and Morocco as well as Dii's research, policy options to attract RE investments and to maximize their macroeconomic and employment effects are presented.

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Link to [Workshop](#)

5. News from EADI

[Call for Papers: New Challenges for Cooperation of European and Developing Countries - Contribution of Academic Sphere, Public Administration, NGOs and Private Sector](#)

Conference of University of Economics (VSE) in Prague on the occasion of the EADI

Executive Committee meeting, 19 April 2013, Prague. Deadline for submissions: 28 February 2013

[Call for Papers | The future direction of central and eastern European development policy - Finding a common role in a post-MDG world. Deadline: 15 February 2013](#)

Friday 26 April 2013 in Vienna, hosted by the Austrian Research Foundation for International Development (OFSE). Supported by UACES and EADI Working Group on Non DAC Donors.

[Bonner Impulse: Social Protection in EU Development Cooperation, Discussion forum on 20 February 2013, Bonn, Germany](#)

In its recent communication on "Social Protection in European Union Development Cooperation", the EU affirms the value of social protection for overcoming socio-economic inequalities and for promoting inclusive growth. How will the Union translate its values and commitments into concrete action in partner countries? How will the positive elements of the European social model be more emphatically incorporated into EU's development cooperation? How will the European Commission address inequality specifically within the scope of social protection?

6. News from GIZ

GIZ has published a new report “Results: good, but too local-Summary of the cross-section evaluation Crisis Prevention and Peace building”. This report is based on evaluations by the Independent Evaluation Program of the GIZ.

The brochure summarizing this report can be accessed [here](#) (in German) and [here](#) (in English)

7. News from PEP

At the onset of 2013, the [Partnership for Economic Policy \(PEP\)](#) team sends all of the network’s members and friends its warmest greetings and best wishes for the coming year. PEP’s news bulletin of January 2013 is available at the link [PEP-talk January 2013](#).

In addition PEP is seeking a new Executive Director, more information about this position can be obtained at the following [link](#)

8. News from 3ie

Request for proposals

3ie requests proposals from **consultants** or **team of consultants** to produce content and supporting documentation on immunization for its evidence portal. **Application deadline: 23:59 EST, February 4, 2013.** [Download ToR](#)

Publication

The first issue of [Evidence in Brief](#) offers encouraging news from an evaluation in rural Mozambique where a preschool program was found to improve cognitive capacities and increase enrolment in primary school. Preschool education has now become part of Mozambique's national education policy and the government is extending preschool education to 600 communities. [Read more](#)

The [latest issue](#) of the **Journal of Development Effectiveness** includes a range of papers on impact evaluation of development interventions in Nigeria, Yemen and Ethiopia. A study on using evidence from impact evaluations to influence policy is also featured. The previous [special issue](#) on Systematic Reviews is open access.

Dhaka Colloquium on Systematic Reviews in International Development

Over 130 researchers and policymakers from 31 countries were recently at the Dhaka Colloquium to debate the importance of systematic reviews in evidence-based development. Discussions focused on ways systematic reviews can inform policy and contribute to international development. See blogs, videos and presentations from the conference.

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Job

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