

First PEGNet Workshop

## Poverty Reduction, Equity, and Growth: New Issues and Findings

Kiel, Friday April 28, 2006

**Venue:** The Kiel Institute for the World Economy  
Duesternbrooker Weg 120  
24105 Kiel

**9:00      Introduction:** **Dennis Snower** (IfW)  
**Gerhard Ressel** (BMZ)

**9:30      Plenary Session**

***Promoting Pro-Poor Growth in the Run-up to 2015: What Are the Critical Challenges and Policy Issues?***  
**Andrew McKay** (University of Bath)

Chair: **Rainer Klump** (University of Frankfurt/M.)  
Discussant 1: **Helmut Asche** (GTZ and University of Leipzig)  
Discussant 2: **Adrian Wood** (University of Oxford)

**11:00      Coffee Break**

**11:15      Parallel Sessions A**

- ❖ ***Why Inequalities Persist*** (Chair: Stephan Klasen, University of Göttingen)  
**Frances Stewart** (University of Oxford): *Horizontal Inequalities: Explaining Persistence and Change*  
Discussant: **Francisco Ferreira** (World Bank)  
**M. Niaz Asadullah** (University of Oxford): *Intergenerational Economic Mobility in Rural Bangladesh*  
Discussant: **Hildegunn E. Stokke** (Trondheim University)  
**M. Xiaobao Chen** (OECD): *Is Pro-growth Institutional Reform Pro-poor? State-owned Enterprises Reform, Inequality and Poverty in Urban China*  
Discussant: **Rolf J. Langhammer** (IfW Kiel)

- ❖ **Rural Constraints on Poverty Reduction** (Chair: Ulrike Grote, ZEF Bonn)
  - Awudu Abdulai** (University of Kiel): *Economic Reforms and Household Welfare in a Transition Economy: Evidence from Tajikistan*
  - Discussant: **Jorge Agüero** (University of Wisconsin)
  - Tilman Brück** (DIW, Berlin): *On the Welfare Effects of Working in Agriculture in Mozambique*
  - Discussant: **Melanie Grosse** (University of Goettingen)
  - Jetske Bouma** (Tilburg University): The Possibilities for Dryland Crop Yield Improvements in India's Semi-Arid Regions: Observations from the Field
  - Discussant: **Rainer Thiele** (IfW Kiel)
  
- ❖ **Measurement and Evaluation I** (Chair: Rainer Klump, University of Frankfurt/M.)
  - Michael Grimm** (University of Göttingen): *Evaluating Poverty Reduction Policies: The Contribution of Micro-Simulation Techniques*
  - Discussant: **Sami Bibi** (University of Tunis)
  - Isabel Günther** (University of Göttingen): *The Impact of Covariate and Idiosyncratic Shocks on Vulnerability to Poverty*
  - Discussant: **Anne-Sophie Robilliard** (IRD, DIAL, Paris)
  - Patricia Prüfer** (University of Frankfurt): *How to Prioritize Policies for Pro-poor Growth: Applying Bayesian Model Averaging to Vietnam*
  - Discussant: **Thai Hung Pham** (University of Sussex)

13:00      Lunch at IfW

## 14:30      Parallel Sessions B

- ❖ **Measurement and Evaluation II** (Chair: Rolf J. Langhammer, IfW Kiel)
  - Stephan Klasen** (University of Göttingen): *Determinants of the Growth Semi-Elasticity of Poverty Reduction*
  - Discussant: **M. Xiaobao Chen** (OECD)
  - Florent Bresson** (CERDI, Université d'Auvergne): *Poverty: Looking for the Real Elasticities*
  - Discussant: **Kenneth Harttgen** (University of Goettingen)
  - Sami Bibi** (University of Tunis): *When is Economic Growth Pro-poor? Evidence from Tunisia*
  - Discussant: **Michael Grimm** (University of Goettingen)
  
- ❖ **Redistributive Measures** (Chair: Terry McKinley, UNDP IPC)
  - Francisco Ferreira** (World Bank): *Local Inequality and Project Choice in a Social Investment Fund*
  - Discussant: **Holger Seebens** (University of Bonn)
  - Anne-Sophie Robilliard** (IRD, DIAL, Paris): *Simulating Targeted Policies with Macro Impacts: Poverty Alleviation Policies in Madagascar*
  - Discussant: **Jann Lay** (IfW, Kiel)
  - Jorge Agüero** (University of Wisconsin): *From Flows to Stocks: The Impact of Unconditional Cash Transfers on Human Capital*
  - Discussant: **Julius Spatz** (GTZ Eschborn)

- ❖ ***Trade, Inequality and Poverty*** (Chair: Tilman Brück, DIW Berlin)  
Alessandro Nicita (World Bank): *Export-led Growth, Pro-poor or Not? A Case Study of Madagascar's Textile and Apparel Industry*  
Discussant: **Natalia Trofimenko** (IfW Kiel)  
**Hildegunn E. Stokke** (Trondheim University): *Barriers to Growth and Skill-biased Income Distribution in South Africa: Ramsey Model Growth Analysis*  
Discussant: **Manfred Wiebelt** (IfW Kiel)  
**Thai Hung Pham** (University of Sussex): *Trade Liberalization and Rural Nonfarm Employment in Vietnam*  
Discussant: **M. Niaz Asadullah** (University of Oxford)

**16:15** Coffee Break

**16:30** Round Table Discussion: ***Getting Research Into Use***  
moderated by **Adrian Wood** (University of Oxford)

Participants:

**Andrew McKay** (University of Bath), **Francisco Ferreira** (World Bank),  
**Frances Stewart** (University of Oxford, UK), **Stephan Klasen**  
(University of Göttingen), **Terry McKinley** (UNDP IPC), **Georg Schäfer**  
(GTZ), **Peter Beez** (SDC), **Herve Bougault** (AFD, tbc)

**19:00** Dinner at Schöne Aussichten

