

# **RISE Annual Conference 2017**

Center for Global Development, Washington, DC Thursday 15 June – Friday 16 June 2017

# 15 June

08.30 Registration & Coff	ree
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#### 09:00 Welcome from RISE Directorate

## **Session 1: Politics of Reform**

Barbara Bruns (Center for Global Development) and Pablo Cevallos Estarellas (UNESCO-IIEP): The Politics of Transforming Education in Ecuador: Confrontation and Continuity, 2006-2016

Alec Gershberg (New School University): Trying to Learn from Complex Education System Reform Processes: Guideposts for Navigating Political Waters from Case Studies

Joseph Wales (Overseas Development Institute): How are Education Systems, Reforms and Learning Outcomes Shaped by Political Context?

### 10:30 Break

## 11.00 Country Research Team (CRT) Session 1: Research Presentations

Tassew Woldehanna (Addis Ababa University): Is Preschool Education Instrumental for the Completion of Secondary Education in Ethiopia? Lessons Drawn from the Longitudinal Data of Young Lives

Karthik Muralidharan (University of California San Diego): Title TBC

Menno Pradhan (VU University/University of Amsterdam): Double for Nothing? Experimental Evidence on the Impact of an Unconditional Teacher Salary Increase on Student Performance in Indonesia

James Habyarimana (Georgetown University): The Political Economy of Systemic Reform in Tanzanian Education

Paul Glewwe (University of Minnesota): What Explains Vietnam's Exceptional Performance in Education Relative to Other Countries? Analysis of the 2012 PISA Data

### 13.00 Lunch

### Panel: Bilateral Perspectives: What Does a Systems Approach to Education Mean in Practice?

David Coleman (Australia's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade - DFAT)
Laura Savage (UK's Department for International Development - DFID)
Tjip Walker (US Agency for International Development - USAID)

## 14.00 Country Research Team (CRT) Session 2: Systems Diagnostics

India CRT - Alejandro Ganimian (J-PAL)
Pakistan CRT - Jishnu Das (World Bank)
Tanzania CRT - Andrew Zeitlin (Georgetown University)
Vietnam CRT - Jonathan London (Leiden University)

### 16:00 Break

# 16:30 Keynote Panel: Why is Learning in Crisis? Diagnosing System Incoherence

Claudia Costin (Center for Innovation and Excellence in Education Policies/Getulio Vargas Foundation)
Alec Gershberg (New School University)
Jaime Saavedra (Education Global Practice at the World Bank Group)
Liesbet Steer (Education Commission)

## 18.00 Drinks Reception at Center for Global Development













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### 09:00 Session 2: Alternative Modalities of Provision

Farzana Afridi (Indian Statistical Institute): Improving Learning Outcomes Through Information Provision: Evidence from Indian Villages

Felipe Barrera-Osorio (Harvard University): Leveraging the Private Sector to Improve Primary School Enrolment: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Pakistan

Natalie Bau (University of Toronto): The Misallocation of Pay and Productivity in the Public Sector: Evidence from the Labor Market for Teachers

Moussa Blimpo (World Bank): Scaling Up Children's School Readiness in The Gambia: Lessons from an Experimental Study

### 11:00 Break

### 11.30 Country Research Team (CRT) Session 3: Overview of New Research Teams

Tassew Woldehanna (Addis Ababa University)
Amanda Beatty (Mathematica Policy Research)

## 13.00 *Lunch*

## 14.00 Session 3: Methods and Measurement

Alejandro Ganimian (J-PAL): Teaching, Not Talent: Identifying the Source of Poor Educational Performance in Developing Countries

Julie Buhl-Wiggers (University of Copenhagen): The Impact of Teacher Effectiveness on Student Learning in Africa
David Evans (World Bank): The Economic Returns to Interventions that Increase Learning
Shwetlana Sabarwal (World Bank): Better Than Most: Teacher Self-Beliefs in Uganda

### 16:00 Break

## 16:30 Session 4: Pedagogy

Yared Seid (IGC): The Impact of Learning in Mother Tongue First: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Ethiopia Ingo Outes-Leon (University of Oxford, Blavatnik School of Government): Growth Mindset at Scale

## 17:30 Final Remarks and Close









