Access, Accountability and Equality
Alisa Hotel, Accra, Ghana
22-23 July 2011

Conference Proceedings

DAY ONE: 22ND JULY 2011

8.30 AM -10.00 AM – OPENING CEREMONY AND WELCOME ADDRESS
Keynote address
Prof. Ernest Aryeeetey, Vice-Chancellor of UG
Prof. Murray Leibbrandt, Director of SALDRU, University of Cape Town

10.00 AM. COCOA BREAK

10:30 AM-12:00 PM Progress Towards the Millennium Development Goals (MDG’s) in Ghana and South Africa

DAY ONE PANEL : CHAIR – DR. ROBERT DARKO OSEI

Topic Presenters
“Measuring MDG 4 and 5 using longitudinal surveillance data from a rural district of Northern Ghana” Ayago Bawah (Ghana Essential Health Interventions Project)

Dangme West District as a window on progress towards MDGs in the Greater Accra Region Margaret Gyapong (School of Public Health, University of Ghana, Legon)
“Millennium Development Goals in post-apartheid South Africa” Vusi Gumede (University of Johannesburg) and Thula Sizwe Dlamini (Rhodes University)

“South Africa’s Progress Towards the Millennium Development Goals in Education: Evidence from the National Income Dynamics Study” David Lam (University of Michigan)and Nicola Branson (University of Cape Town)
Discussant Kenneth Owusu

12.00 PM-1.00PM LUNCH

1.00PM-2.30PM INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS TO ASSETS & SOCIAL PROTECTION
DAY ONE PANEL: CHAIR – DR. ELLEN BORTEI-DOKU ARYEETEY

**Topic Presenters**

“Relative standing and subjective well-being in South Africa: The role of perceptions, expectations and income mobility” Dori Posel and Daniela Casale (University of KZN)

“Gender, Assets and Vulnerability.” Ellen Bortei-Doku Aryeetey, Dorcas Opai-Tetteh, George Domfe (ISSER)

“Assessing Savings Mobilization and Credit Retrieval Ability of Credit Unions: Source of Funds for Poverty Reduction in Ghana” Anthony Osei-Fosu (KNUST) Discussant Dr. David Lam (University of Michigan)

2.30PM-3.00PM TEA BREAK

3.00 – 4.30 INEQUALITIES IN ACCESS TO HEALTH CARE

DAY ONE PANEL: CHAIR – DR. PHILIP ADONGO

**Topic Presenters**

“Sex Differences in HIV Testing in Ghana, and Policy Implications” (Yawson) and “Sex Differentials in Distribution of Adult HIV Patients on Antiretroviral Therapy in Ghana” (Dako-Gyeke) Alfred Yawson (University of Ghana Medical School) and Phyllis Dako-Gyeke (School of Public Health, University of Ghana)

“Alcohol, ARVs and Masculinity: Being Manly with HIV/AIDS” Sakhumzi Mfecane (University of the Western Cape, SA)

Zoe MacLaren (University of Michigan) and Murray Leibbrandt (University of Cape Town) Discussant Rachel Snow (School of Public Health, University of Michigan)

DAY TWO 23RD JULY 2011

9:00-10:30 SPECIAL GHANA PANEL: HUMAN RESOURCES IN THE GHANA HEALTH SECTOR

DAY TWO PANEL: DR. KWESI ASABIR
**Topic Presenters**

Health workers in Ghana, an assessment of health labor market outcomes and determinants. Ebenezer Appiah-Denkyira (MOH, Ghana), Karima Saleh (World Bank, Ghana)

“Social background of health workers and willingness to work in rural Ghana. Social inequalities, access to work, and access to care. Mawuli Dzodzomenyo (School of Public Health, University of Ghana)

“Challenges and opportunities for Improving Medical Education to Strengthen HRH in Ghana” Seth Ayettey (former V-Provost Health Sciences, UG)

Discussant Margaret Chebere (Dep. Director HR, Ghana Health Service)

10:30AM-11:00AM Tea break

11:00PM-12:30PM THE INTERACTION OF MIGRANT POPULATIONS AND THE STATE: LIMITED ACCESS, DIMINISHED EQUALITY

**DAY TWO PANEL : CHAIR –Prof. KOFI AWUSABO ASARE**

**Topic Presenters**

“Where There Is No Public: Questioning the Meaning of Politics and Development in Africa’s Urban Estuaries” Loren Landau & Caroline Kihato (African Centre for Migration & Society, University of the Witwatersrand)

“Migration policy in Ghana: An Analysis of Potential Benefits and Knowledge Gaps” Peter Quartey (ISSER, University of Ghana)

“Immigration and the Labor Market Outcomes of Natives in Developing Countries: A Case Study of South Africa” Vimal Ranchhod (UCT) w/N Broussard (Claremont McKenna College) & J Aguero (UC Riverside).

Discussant Prof. Howard Stein (UM African Studies Center)

12.30PM- 1.30 P.M. LUNCH

1:30PM-3:00PM LABOR MARKET INEQUALITY AND VULNERABILITY

**DAY TWO PANEL : CHAIR –Dori Poisel**

**Topic Presenters**

Low wage mobility on the South African labor market Claire Vermaak (UKZN, SA)
“The Transition to Work Among Young People in South Africa” Cecil Mlatsheni (University of the Cape Town)

“Wage and Employment Effects of Trade Liberalization: The Case of Ghanaian Manufacturing” Charles Ackah (University of Ghana)

Discussant

3.00PM – 3.30PM TEA BREAK

3:30PM -5:00PM HOW ACCOUNTABLE ARE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENTS IN AFRICA?

DAY TWO PANEL : CHAIR – DR. WILLIAM AHADZIE

Topic Presenters

“Public perceptions and the measurement of ‘good governance’ in Africa” Rod Alence (University of Witwatersrand, Johannesburg, SA)

“The Theory of Legislative Institutionalization and the Mozambican Assembly of the Republic” Carlos Shenga (University of Cape Town)

“Corruption and Satisfaction with Democracy in Africa: The Mediating Role of Mistrust of Democratic Institutions” Daniel Armah-Attoh (CDD, Ghana)

“Is Technocracy Compatible with Democracy? The Role of Independent Privatization Agencies in Africa” Anne Pitcher (University of Michigan) and Manuel Teodoro(Colgate University)

Discussant Dr. Kwesi Jonah