

NEW PARTNERSHIPS FOR GROWTH RESEARCH IN AFRICA

February 25-26, 2010

Hotel Palomar
2121 P Street Northwest
Washington, DC 20037

Thursday, February 25

Phillips Ballroom

0800 – 0830 **Registration and Breakfast**

0830 – 0845 **Welcoming Remarks**

Ernest Aryeetey, Director, AGI, Brookings (15 min.)

0845 – 1015 **An Introduction to AGI and its African Partners**

Ernest Aryeetey, Director, AGI, Brookings (30 min.)

Representatives of the Six AGI Partner Think Tanks (10 min. each)

Nigerian Institute for Social and Economic Research (NISER),
Ibadan: Oyetunji Akande

Development Policy Research Unit (DPRU), South Africa:
Haroon Borat

Economic Policy Research Center (EPRC), Uganda: Sarah
Ssewanyana

Kenya Institute for Public Policy Research and Analysis
(KIPPRA), Nairobi: Moses Ikiara

Consortium for Economic and Social Research (CRES),
Senegal: Abdoulaye Diagne

Institute of Statistical, Social and Economic Research (ISSER),
Ghana: Peter Quartey

- 1015 – 1045 Coffee Break
- 1045 – 1245 **Perspectives on the Growth Research Agenda for Africa: The View from the Multilaterals**
Chair: William Lyakurwa, AERC
- Abebe Shimeles, Principal Research Economist, Research Department, AfDB (15 min.)
- Adam Elhiraika, Chief, Macroeconomic Analysis Section, Economic Development and NEPAD Division (EDN), UNECA (15 min.)
- Finn Tarp, Director, UNU- WIDER (15 min.)
- Cathy Patillo, Advisor, Strategy Policy and Review Department, IMF (15 min.)
- 1245 – 1415 **Lunch Roundtable**
National Room (upstairs)
- New Ideas for Research on Agriculture**
Lead speaker: Chris Udry, Yale University
(Introduction by John Page, AGI, Brookings)
- 1415 – 1430 Remarks: Kemal Derviş, Vice President and Director, Global Economy and Development, Brookings (Introduction by Ernest Aryeetey)
- 1430 – 1545 **Perspectives on the Growth Research Agenda for Africa: The View from the Research Networks**
Chair: Kim Hamilton, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- William Lyakurwa, Executive Director, AERC (15 min.)
- Gerardo della Paolera, President, GDN (15 min.)
- Gobind Nankani, Executive Director, IGC (15 min.)
- 1545 – 1615 Coffee and Tea
- 1615 – 1730 **Perspectives on the Growth Research Agenda for Africa: The View from the Foundations**
Chair: Gerardo della Paolera, GDN
- Oliver Babson, Program Officer, The Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation

Claudia Juech, Managing Director, The Rockefeller Foundation

Marie-Claude Martin, Program Manager, International Development
Research Center, Ottawa

Linda Frey, Program Officer, Global Development, The William and
Flora Hewlett Foundation (via phone)

1730 – 1800 **Summing Up the Day**

John Page

1830 – 2100 **Reception and Dinner**
Brookings Institution – Saul/Zilkha Room

Brookings President Strobe Talbott to greet participants

Friday, February 26

Phillips Ballroom

0830 – 0900 Continental Breakfast

0900 – 1030 **Working Together: Where and How Can We Collaborate?**
Facilitator: Chris Udry, Yale

1030 – 1100 Coffee

1100 – 1230 **Working with Others: How Do We Involve More African Researchers
and Institutions?**
Facilitator: Gobind Nankani, GDN

1230 – 1400 **Lunch Roundtable**
National Room (upstairs)

Macroeconomic Management and the Growth Agenda
Lead Speaker: Steve O’Connell, Swarthmore College
(Introduction by Mwangi Kimenyi, AGI)

1400 – 1530 **Expanding Voice: Ideas for Greater Policy Impact**
Facilitator: Michael Keating, Africa Progress Panel

1530 – 1600 **Summing Up and Next Steps**

Ernest Aryeetey

1830 – 2000 **Optional Dinner**