







CONFERENCE

Commitment to Equity

Fiscal Policy and Income Redistribution in Latin America

Thursday, October 17 and Friday, 18, 2013

Tulane University • New Orleans, LA

Agenda

Thursday, October 17

Greenleaf Conference Room, Jones Hall 100A

5:00 – 5:20 Welcome: Ludovico Feoli (Director, CIPR), Peter Hakim (President emeritus, Inter-American Dialogue), Louise Cord (Manager, Poverty Reduction and Gender Group, WB/LAC) and George Gray-Molina (Chief Economist, UNDP/RBLAC)

5:20 – 6:15 Latin America (20-minute presentation)

Chair: Humberto Lopez (Director, PREM, World Bank/LAC)

 The Incidence of Benefits and Taxes in Latin America: An Overview – Nora Lustig (Tulane University)

Comments: Led off by Humberto Lopez

6:30 - 7:30 - Reception: Jones Hall Patio

Friday, October 18

Goldring Woldenberg Hall II, Room 1111

8:30 -10:30 The Incidence of Benefits and Taxes in Argentina, Brazil, Mexico and United States (15-minute presentations, 10-minute comments, followed by open discussion)

Chair: Louise Cord (World Bank/LAC)

- Argentina Carola Pessino (CEMA)
- Brazil Claudiney Pereira (Tulane University)
- Brazil vs. the United States Sean Higgins (Tulane University)
- Mexico John Scott (CIDE)
- Mexico: 1992-2010 Luis F. Lopez-Calva (WB)

Comments: Led off by Louise Cord

10:30 – 10:45 Coffee Break















10:45 – 12:15 The Incidence of Benefits and Taxes in the Andean Region (15-minute presentations, 10-minute comments, followed by open discussion)

Chair: Jim Alm (Dept. of Economics, Tulane University)

- Bolivia George Gray Molina (UNDP)
- Colombia Marcela Melendez (Econ Estudio)
- Colombia Top Incomes Facundo Alvaredo (Oxford University)
- Peru Miguel Jaramillo (GRADE)

Comments: Led off by Jim Alm

12:30 - 1:45 Lunch Roundtable: Promoting Inclusive Societies: the Role of Development Agencies

Alumni House, 6319 Willow Street

Chair: Peter Hakim (President Emeritus, Inter-American Dialogue)

- Gargee Ghosh (Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation)
- George Gray-Molina (Chief Economist, UNDP/RBLAC)
- Humberto Lopez (Director, PREM, World Bank/LAC)
- Judy Morrison (Senior Advisor, Gender and Diversity Division, IDB)

2:00 - 3:45 The Incidence of Benefits and Taxes in Chile, Paraguay and Uruguay (15-minute

presentations, 10-minute comments, followed by open discussion)

Chair: Judy Morrison (Inter-American Development Bank)

- Chile Dante Contreras/Jaime Ruiz-Tagle (U. de Chile)
- Paraguay Jose Manuel Gomez (CADEP)
- Uruguay Marisa Bucheli (U. de la Republica)
- Uruguay Top Incomes Andrea Vigorito (U. de la Republica)

Comments: Led off by Judy Morrison

3:45 – 4:00 Coffee Break

3:45- 5:15 The Incidence of Benefits and Taxes in Central America (15-minute presentations, 10-minute comments, followed by open discussion)

Chair: Erwin Tiongson (World Bank)

- Costa Rica Pablo Sauma (U. de Costa Rica)
- El Salvador Margarita Beneke Sanfeliu (FUSADES)
- Guatemala Hilcias E. Moran (Banco de Guatemala)

Comments: Led off by Erwin Tiongson

5:15 – 6:00 Tools for Monitoring Equity Outcomes: The Equity Lab, Top Incomes and CEQ Website

Chair: Ludovico Feoli (Tulane University)

- The LAC Equity Lab -- Carlos Rodriguez (World Bank)
- Top Incomes Website --- Facundo Alvaredo (Oxford University)
- CEQ Website--Nora Lustig (Tulane University)















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