

**Poverty, Inequality and Development:  
A Conference in Honor of Erik Thorbecke**

**Cornell University  
401 Warren Hall  
October 10-11, 2003**

**Participants arrive evening of October 9.**

**October 10**

8.00—8.15 Participants assemble

8.15-8.30 **Opening Remarks**

Alain de Janvry and Ravi Kanbur

8.30—10.15 **Session I: Poverty Measurement**

Chair: Karl Shell, Cornell, [ks22@cornell.edu](mailto:ks22@cornell.edu)

8.30—8.55 Martin Ravallion, World Bank, [mravallion@worldbank.org](mailto:mravallion@worldbank.org), and Michael Lokshin, World Bank, [mlokshin@worldbank.org](mailto:mlokshin@worldbank.org): "On the Utility Consistency of Poverty Lines."

Discussant: Stefan Klonner, Cornell, [sk429@cornell.edu](mailto:sk429@cornell.edu)

8.55—9.20 James Foster, Vanderbilt, [james.e.foster@vanderbilt.edu](mailto:james.e.foster@vanderbilt.edu): "Poverty Indices."

Discussant: Erik Thorbecke, Cornell, [et17@cornell.edu](mailto:et17@cornell.edu)

9.20—9.45 Gary Fields, Cornell, [gsf2@cornell.edu](mailto:gsf2@cornell.edu): "Should Poverty and Inequality Measures Be Combined?"

Discussant: Patrick Guillaumont, CERDI, [P.guillaumont@u-clermont1.fr](mailto:P.guillaumont@u-clermont1.fr)

9.45—10.15 Floor discussion

10.15—10.45 **Break**

10.45—12.00 **Session II: SAMs and CGEs: Theory**

Chair: Walter Isard, Cornell, [wil1@cornell.edu](mailto:wil1@cornell.edu)

10.45—11.10 Graham Pyatt, Institute of Social Studies, Hague, [grahampyatt@ukonline.co.uk](mailto:grahampyatt@ukonline.co.uk) and Jeffery Round, Warwick, [j.i.round@warwick.ac.uk](mailto:j.i.round@warwick.ac.uk): "Multiplier Processes and the Design of SAMs".

Discussant: Peter Cornelisse, [cornelisse@few.eur.nl](mailto:cornelisse@few.eur.nl)

11.10—11.35 Sherman Robinson, IFPRI, [s.robinson@cgiar.org](mailto:s.robinson@cgiar.org): "Macro Models and SAM Multipliers: Leontief, Stone, Keynes and CGE Models".

Discussant: Alfred Field, UNC, [afield@email.unc.edu](mailto:afield@email.unc.edu)

11.35—12.00 Floor discussion

12.00—1.30 Lunch (by invitation)

1.30—2.45 **Session III: Agricultural Policy, Nutrition and Poverty**

Chair: Jere Haas, Cornell, [jdh12@cornell.edu](mailto:jdh12@cornell.edu)

1.30—1.55 Per Pinstrup Andersen, Cornell, [pp94@cornell.edu](mailto:pp94@cornell.edu): "Agricultural Research and Policy to Achieve Nutrition Goals".

Discussant: Arie Kuyvenhoven, Wageningen, [Arie.Kuyvenhoven@wur.nl](mailto:Arie.Kuyvenhoven@wur.nl)

1.55—2.20 Christopher Barrett, Cornell, [cbb2@cornell.edu](mailto:cbb2@cornell.edu) and John McPeak, [jomcpeak@maxwell.syr.edu](mailto:jomcpeak@maxwell.syr.edu), Syracuse University: "Poverty Traps and Safety Nets."

Discussant: Alok Bhargava, Houston, [bhargava@uh.edu](mailto:bhargava@uh.edu)

2.20—2.45 Floor Discussion

2.45--3.15 **Break**

3.15—4.30 **Session IV: SAMs and CGEs: Applications**

Chair: Richard Schuler, Cornell, [res1@cornell.edu](mailto:res1@cornell.edu)

- 3.15—3.40 Steven Keuning, European Central Bank, [steven.keuning@ecb.int](mailto:steven.keuning@ecb.int), Tjeerd Jellema, Peter McAdam and Reimund Mink, European Central Bank: "A Euro Area Accounting Matrix and its Relevance for Monetary Policy Analysis".

Discussant: Jacob Kol, Erasmus (Tel. 31-10-408-2171)

- 3.40—4.05 David Roland-Holst, Berkeley, [dwrh@rdrc.net](mailto:dwrh@rdrc.net) and Finn Tarp, Copenhagen, [Finn.Tarp@econ.ku.dk](mailto:Finn.Tarp@econ.ku.dk): "Globalization, Economic Reform, and Structural Price Transmission: SAM Decomposition Techniques with an empirical application to Vietnam".

Discussant: Iwan Azis, Cornell, [ija1@cornell.edu](mailto:ija1@cornell.edu)

- 4.05—4.30 Floor Discussion

4.30—5.45 **Session V: Household Behaviour and Dynamics**

Chair: Henry Wan, Cornell, [hyw1@cornell.edu](mailto:hyw1@cornell.edu)

- 4.30—4.55 Alain de Janvry, Berkeley, [alain@are.berkeley.edu](mailto:alain@are.berkeley.edu) and Elisabeth Sadoulet, Berkeley, [sadoulet@are.berkeley.edu](mailto:sadoulet@are.berkeley.edu): "Configurations and Transactions: Frontiers in the Modeling of Household Behavior under Imperfect Markets"

Discussant: John Strauss, Michigan State, [jstrauss@msu.edu](mailto:jstrauss@msu.edu)

- 4.55—5.20 Jeffrey Nugent, USC, [nugent@usc.edu](mailto:nugent@usc.edu), and Shailender Swaminathan, Univ. of Alabama Birmingham, [SSwaminathan@ms.soph.uab.edu](mailto:SSwaminathan@ms.soph.uab.edu): "Household Investments and Income Inequality at the Community Level: Evidence from Indonesia."

Discussant: Augustin Fosu, AERC, [fosu@aercafrica.org](mailto:fosu@aercafrica.org)

- 5.20—5.45 Floor Discussion

- 6.30 Conference Dinner (By invitation)

**October 11**

8.30—10.15 **Session VI: Inequality and Institutions**

Chair: Mukul Majumdar, Cornell, [mkm5@cornell.edu](mailto:mkm5@cornell.edu)

8.30—8.55 Christian Morrisson, Paris, [Cecile.Morrisson@ens.fr](mailto:Cecile.Morrisson@ens.fr): "Institutions, Factor Endowments and Inequality in Ghana, Kenya and Senegal".

Discussant: Vernon Ruttan, Minnesota, [vruttan@appec.umn.edu](mailto:vruttan@appec.umn.edu)

8.55—9.20 David Sahn, Cornell, [david.sahn@cornell.edu](mailto:david.sahn@cornell.edu): "Equality of What? Evidence From India."

Discussant: Germano Mwabu, University of Nairobi, [mwabu@kenyaweb.com](mailto:mwabu@kenyaweb.com)

9.20—9.45 Ravi Kanbur, Cornell, [sk145@cornell.edu](mailto:sk145@cornell.edu): and Matti Tuomala, Tampere: "Incentives, Inequality and the Allocation of Aid When Conditionality Doesn't Work: An Optimal Nonlinear Taxation Approach"

Discussant: Jan Willem Gunning, Free University, Amsterdam, [jgunning@feweb.vu.nl](mailto:jgunning@feweb.vu.nl)

9.45—10.15 Floor Discussion

10.15—10.45 **Break**

10.45—12.00 **Session VII: Institutions and Development Thinking**

Chair: Uri Possen, Cornell, [ump1@cornell.edu](mailto:ump1@cornell.edu)

10.45—11.10 Kaushik Basu, Cornell, [kb40@cornell.edu](mailto:kb40@cornell.edu), “Labor Laws and Labor Welfare In the Context of the Indian Experience.”

Discussant: Jan Svejnar, Michigan, [svejnar@mich.edu](mailto:svejnar@mich.edu)

11.10—11.35 Gus Ranis, Yale, [gustav.ranis@yale.edu](mailto:gustav.ranis@yale.edu), "Is Dualism Worth Revisiting?"

Discussant: Irma Adelman, Berkeley, [adelman@are.berkeley.edu](mailto:adelman@are.berkeley.edu)

11.35—12.00 Floor Discussion

12.00—12.30 **Conference Closing**

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