

Reconfiguring town and countryside for inclusive growth, combating poverty and job creation: Policy workshop on spatial inequality

Hosted by the Research Project on Employment, Income Distribution & Inclusive Growth (REDI3x3)

Centre for African Studies, University of Cape Town (UCT) August 17 and 18, 2015

Monday 17 August

8.00-8.30	Registration
8.30-9.00	Welcome and introduction Murray Leibbrandt, REDI3x3, Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit (SALDRU), UCT; Lungisile Ntsebeza, Centre for African Studies, UCT
9.00-9.20	How spatial planning impacts inequality and growth: An overview Andrew Donaldson, National Treasury
9.20-9.45	The geography of inequality Michael Noble & Wanga Zembe, Southern African Social Policy Institute/Insights
9.45-10.30	Questions and discussion
10.30-11.00	Tea
Policy challenges: Urban development to promote inclusive growth Chair – Andrew Donaldson, National Treasury	
11.00-11.30	Keynote address 'Reimagining the City' Edgar Pieterse, African Centre for Cities, UCT
11.30-11.45	Respondent David Savage, National Treasury
11.45-12.30	Discussion
12.30-13.30	Lunch / City Desired exhibition walk-about
Planning cities in the post-apartheid era Chair – Khulekani Mathe, Presidency, National Planning Commission	

How do we develop post-apartheid cities?

13.30-14.30

Land use management: how it impacts on public finance in urban and rural areas – Stephen Berrisford, African Centre for Cities, UCT

How the City of Tshwane plans to implement the National Development Plan in the next 15 years – Shaakira Karolia, Chief Economist, City of Tshwane

Violence Prevention through Urban Upgrade (VPUU) in the Western Cape – Michael Krause, VPUU

14.30–15.15 Public transport: What it costs the country

The taxi industry – Andrew Kerr, SALDRU and DataFirst, UCT

Planning an integrated public transport network

Philip Harrison, Wits University/National Planning Commission

Questions and discussion

15.15-15.30 Tea

15.30–16.00 Assessing public expenditure

Expenditure and Performance Review: Public Transport & Housing

Ronette Engela, Government Technical Advisory Centre (GTAC), National Treasury

16.00–16.15 Questions and discussion

16.15–17.45 Policy Responses

Chair - Francis Wilson, SALDRU, UCT

The National Spatial Economic Opportunity Atlas: an introduction

Sue Bannister and Michael Sutcliffe, City Insight

The challenge of densifying the cities, formally and informally

David Masondo, Department of Economic Development, Gauteng; Richard Ballard, Gauteng City Region Observatory; Ivan Turok, Human Sciences Research Council

A vision for integrated city planning

David van Niekerk, National Treasury

17.15-17.45 Ouestions and discussion

19.00 Dinner

Guest speaker: Minister of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, the Honourable Prayin Gordhan

Tuesday 18 August

8.00-8.30 Registration

Policy challenges: The rural economy

Chair – Joel Netshitenzhe, MISTRA

8.30-11.30 The economies of land – panel discussions

Can land be turned into an economic asset for development and who will benefit?

Dr Moshe Swartz, Land Redistribution and Development Branch, Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (DRDLR); Siyabu Manona, Phuhlisani Solutions; Aninka Claassens, CLS, UCT

Questions and discussion

Commercial agriculture: what are the options for development, spreading ownership and employment? The role of finance in facilitating development Michael Aliber, University of Fort Hare; Loyiso Ndlovu, Land Bank; Ben Cousins, PLAAS, University of the Western Cape

Questions and discussion

11.30-11.45 Tea

11.45–13.00 Policy challenges: the link between the countryside and cities

New patterns of rural-urban migration: Case studies on migration out of the Eastern Cape

Leslie Bank, Fort Hare Institute of Social and Economic Research/FHISER; Andrew Boraine, Western Cape Economic Development Partnership/WCEDP

Questions and discussion

13.00-14.00 Lunch & exhibition: 100 years of the Land Act – Paul Weinberg

Policy Responses

Chair - Michael Sachs, National Treasury

14.00-14.30 An overview on spatial inequality and inclusive growth

Haroon Bhorat, REDI3x3, Development Policy Research Unit, UCT

14.30-15.30 Plenary discussion – identifying key gaps

15.30-16.00 Tea

16.00-17.00 The National Development Plan and spatial inequality: the goals and gaps

Kuben Naidoo, Deputy Governor South African Reserve Bank & Head of the Secretariat of the National Planning Commission