



Fragility and Aid - What Works?

25 October 2013

The Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations
871 United Nations Plaza, New York, NY 10017

AGENDA

09:00 – 09:20

Welcome and Introductions

Heiko Thoms, Ambassador, Deputy Permanent Representative of Germany to the United Nations

David Malone, Rector of the United Nations University and Under-Secretary General of the United Nations

09:20 – 09:40

What Do We Know About Foreign Aid?

Moderator: **David Malone**, Rector, UNU

Speaker: **Finn Tarp**, Director, UNU-WIDER

09:40 – 10:30

Fragility and the New Aid Agenda: Beginning a Discussion

Moderator: **David Malone**, Rector, UNU

Speakers: **Tony Addison**, Chief Economist and Deputy Director, UNU-WIDER

Rachel Gisselquist, Research Fellow, UNU-WIDER

Discussion

10:30 – 11:00

Coffee Break

11:00 – 13:00

Building State Capabilities

Moderator: **Sarah Cliffe**, Special Adviser and Assistant Secretary-General of Civilian Capacities to the United Nations

Speakers: **Lant Pritchett**, Professor of the Practice of International Development, Harvard Kennedy School

Michael Woolcock, Lead Social Development Specialist, World Bank Development Research Group

‘Afghanistan’ – **Frauke de Weijer**, Research Fellow, Harvard Kennedy School

Discussion

13:00 – 13:30

Lunch Break

13:30 – 14:40

Aid and Fragility: What Has Worked?

Moderator: **Jarmo Viinanen**, Ambassador, Permanent Representative of Finland to the United Nations

Speakers: ‘Preliminary Findings from Two Studies: “Aid and Institution-Building in Fragile States” and “Good Aid in Hard Places”’ – **Rachel Gisselquist**, Research Fellow, UNU-WIDER

‘Aid and Institution-Building across Somalia’s Regions’ – **Ken Menkhaus**, Professor of Political Science, Davidson College

‘The National Solidarity Program: Assessing the Effects of Community Driven Development in Afghanistan’ – **Fotini Christia**, Associate Professor, MIT

‘Judicial Facilitators in Nicaragua’ – **Martin Gramatikov**, Lecturer, Tilburg Law School

Discussion

14:40 – 14:50

Coffee Break

14:50 – 16:00

Cross-Cutting Issues: Bringing It All Together

Moderator: TBC

Speakers: ‘Fragility and Gender’ – **Caren Grown**, Economist-In-Residence, American University

‘Fragility and Employment Generation’ – **Graciana del Castillo**, Senior Research Scholar, Columbia University

Discussion

16:00 – 16:30

Wrap Up and Closing of the Meeting

Speakers: **Tony Addison**, Chief Economist and Deputy Director, UNU-WIDER

David Malone, Rector, UNU

Finn Tarp, Director, UNU-WIDER

16:30 – 17:00

Informal Discussion