

DAC/POVNET

Workshop on Reducing Poverty and Promoting Pro-Poor Growth: China's Experience in Rural Poverty Reduction at Home and in Africa

Draft Agenda

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(English / Chinese simultaneous interpretation)

<u>Opening and Welcome</u>	
10:00-10:15	Senior OECD representative (tbc) Senior Chinese Embassy Official (tbc)
<u>Session 1: Poverty Reduction and Pro-poor Growth Strategies in China</u> <i>How did China develop its rural poverty reduction and pro-poor growth strategies, what combination of efforts was most effective, what are the current challenges (e.g. inequality, rural – urban migration) and how is China tackling these?</i> Chair: Eckhard Deutscher, DAC Chair	
10:15-12:30	<i>Rural Poverty in China and strategies to alleviate it</i> Wang Guoliang (Deputy Director of the State Council Leading Group of Poverty Alleviation and Development, PR China - LGOPAD) Huang Chengwei (Deputy Director of the International Poverty Reduction Centre in China - IPRCC)
	Discussant: Laurence Haddad (Director of the Institute of Development Studies, Professor of Development Studies at the University of Sussex)
	<i>Discussion</i>
12:30 -14:00	<i>Lunch</i>
<u>Session 2: China's Development Co-operation with African Countries</u> <i>How is China's development cooperation with African countries benefiting from her own positive experience in poverty reduction; what lessons from China's own policies and experience can be transferred to Africa?</i>	

Chair: Pierre Jacquet, POVNET Chair	
14:00-16.00	Overview on Chinese Aid Li Xiaoyun (Dean of College of Humanities and Development (CORD), Director of Centre for Integrated Agricultural Development (CIAD) and Professor of Development Studies in China Agricultural University)
	Agricultural aid and the aid/investment nexus Deborah Bräutigam (Professor, School of International Service, American University, Washington)
	Are there lessons for Africa from China's Success against Poverty? Martin Ravallion (Director of the World Bank's Research Department)
	Discussion
16:00-16.30	Tea and Coffee Break
<p><u>Session 3: Panel Discussion: How can POVNET members cooperate with China, in particular IPRCC, to make poverty reduction in Africa more effective?</u></p> <p><i>In what areas are the POVNET's policy recommendations on pro-poor growth commensurate with China's development policies in Africa? What is the way forward? How can effective partnerships be promoted?</i></p> <p>Chair: Pierre Jacquet, POVNET Chair</p>	
16:30-18:00	<p>Panel perspectives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wang Guoliang (LGOPAD) • Li Xiaoyun (CORD, CIAD) • Huang Chengwei (IPRCC) • Josué Dioné (Director, United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, tbc) • DAC representatives (tbc) <p>Open discussion and concluding remarks</p>
18:00	Cocktail reception