



International Workshop on Poverty, Inequality Dynamics, and Economic Development: Tensions and Trade-offs in Mixed Methods Research

Kings College London, 6th September (from 12 noon) and 7th September 2018

CALL FOR PAPERS

Background and objective

The workshop focuses on mixed-method research on poverty, inequality, and economic development, as well as on their interactions. It thus addresses three of the UN's Sustainable Development Goals: SDG1 (no poverty), SDG8 (decent work and economic growth), and SDG10 (reduced inequalities).

The study of poverty and inequality dynamics has been widely explored by both quantitative and qualitative approaches, both separately and together as part of 'mixed methods' (or 'Qual-Quant') approaches. In contrast, the study of economic development and structural transformation more broadly is often dominated by exclusively quantitative approaches. Further, mixed-method approaches often struggle with integrating data generated within different paradigms, working across scales, and making credible links between macro and micro-level dynamics. In this context, the purpose of this workshop is to share ideas and experiences, learn lessons from past and on-going work, and discuss work-in-progress using mixed methods research in relation to poverty, inequality dynamics, and economic development.

This workshop aims to explore the scope for mixed-method approaches to studying poverty, inequality, and economic development, as well as their interactions. It will do this with a **call for papers in three areas:**

- i. mixed-method approaches to the **measurement** of poverty (including vulnerability/resilience), inequality, and economic development, and the exploration of the linkages between these concepts;
- ii. mixed-method approaches to researching the **dynamic interaction** between poverty, inequality, and economic development and structural transformation, extending to **evaluation of interventions** designed to address this interaction;
- iii. mixed-method approaches to the study of **relational aspects** of poverty, including social relations, social networks, power dynamics within relationships, and **social-ecological relationships**;

We invite proposals for paper presentations on each of the topics above. Proposals from both senior and junior researchers will be considered, including PhD students. The workshop will be held at Kings College London. No fees will be charged for the workshop and coffee and lunch are included. The keynote speakers who will open and close the workshop are Paul Shaffer, Trent University (tbc), on the 'State of the art on Q2' and Naomi Hossain, IDS, on 'Mixed methods within large scale qualitative comparative studies'.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS: 31st January 2018

The abstract must not exceed one page and must include: the title of the proposed paper; a presentation of the subject; the central argument; which theme (i-iii) it fits in; the main research questions and/or hypotheses; and key references. A CV no longer than one page must also be submitted. The abstract and CV must be submitted electronically at this link: <http://bit.ly/2hOiVO6>

The organisers will notify accepted participants of their selection by 1 March 2018 with guidelines for the format of the final paper to be submitted by 1 August 2018.

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