THE ACHIEVEMENTS AND FUTURE REALIGNMENT OF THE COMPARATIVE RESEARCH PROGRAMME ON POVERTY (CROP)

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MOTIVATION:

In 2017, the University of Bergen (UiB), as co-sponsor of CROP with the International Science Council (ISC), undertook an internal review of CROP. The outcome of that review was the decision made in 2018 to refocus the activities of CROP and to bring about changes in the staffing arrangements and the institutional position of CROP within UiB.

This is obviously the biggest structural change that has occurred in the operation of CROP since its establishment. The Scientific Committee (SC) recognises that a new plan for CROP will alter current structures and foci. The SC recognises that the landscape in which CROP operates, both within the University of Bergen and in the global development context, has shifted and as such an opportunity has been provided to build on the historic strengths and successes of CROP while also embracing new opportunities and development priorities. This document aims to provide a contribution to the process of change:

- It flags the main achievements/successes CROP has had over the years and by implication indicates the key issues/processes that could be retained, built on and developed further.
- It indicates what the SC members feel needs to be considered in the refocussing of CROP’s core activities. In this regard, current SC members are willing to provide support in the process of change.

It is not the intention of this document to debate the internal review of CROP undertaken by UiB or the issues raised in the 2017 CROP self-review document, but rather to contribute constructively to the on-going process of change.

CROP’S ACHIEVEMENTS AND IMPACT:

In 1992, the International Social Science Council (ISSC) and UiB jointly established CROP. Its mission was to work collaboratively with knowledge networks, institutions and scholars to promote research and policy exchange related to poverty. Over time, it has operated with a small and efficient secretariat headed by a Director with an academic background who has overseen the activities of CROP and who has been a key agent in networking, publication and research. CROP has not operated as a research unit with a full-time research team, but rather as a networking body, encouraging and disseminating poverty-related research within the broad perspective of sustainable and inclusive growth, through workshops and publications.

A particular focus of CROP’s activities has been on marginalised communities and regions, e.g. in Eastern Europe, Latin America, Africa, the Middle East, and on vulnerable groups and children in particular. In this regard, CROP is well known and respected throughout the global South, not least because of a quarter century of focussed and relevant research activity, but also because of the very successful strategies of securing open access from publishers for many of the CROP publications. For cash-strapped institutions in the South this has been a valuable outreach strategy, which has significantly enhanced the credibility and knowledge about CROP.
The impact of CROP’s activities and the dissemination of CROP material globally has had an impact on institutions, particularly in the South. As noted by SC members, the impact of CROP (and by extension UiB) has been significant. CROP publications are widely used sources for students, and as one SC member put it: ‘CROP has served the University of Bergen quite significantly, because for many of us working in Africa’s institutions of higher learning, CROP is the University of Bergen and the University of Bergen is CROP. We see CROP as the torchbearer and a flagship project of UiB’ (SC Member, 2018).

Similar comments come from Greece, where according to an SC member: ‘This long-term collaboration (with CROP) has significantly inspired my work and that of some of my colleagues at Democritus University. Most importantly, CROP’s substantial and rich output on major dimensions of poverty and deprivation, and particularly its publications that approach the eradication of poverty “not just as an economic or social policy issue but as a human rights issue” constitute crucial reading for various courses in Greek Universities. Having laid out my brief personal testimony, I would like to congratulate CROP for the spectacular increase of its members and its prolific, substantial and high-quality output (various workshops, panels, public events and publications)’. In addition, it is noted that CROP books have received ‘a very warm welcome by academics, activists and progressive politicians (among others, the late Samir Amin and Lord (Prof.) Meghnad Desai)’.

In Latin America, CROP is well known and highly regarded because of the many activities that it developed in the region. In particular, CROP promoted and participated in the debate on the methodology to measure multidimensional child poverty, the analysis of the situation of the most disadvantaged children and adolescents, and the policies to achieve the SDGs' goals on poverty and equality. In the case of Latin America, CROP participated in a number of conferences and published several books synthesizing the work of many scholars and researchers.

In the global South, as well as among institutions in the North, CROP is recognised as a leader in the integration of social and political issues with environmental challenges. This accomplishment was possible by embracing a novel scientific approach: the science of sustainability. Seeking to understand the fundamental nature of the interactions between nature and society, and encouraging these interactions along more sustainable trajectories, CROP has not only brought scientific knowledge closer to today's complex global problems but has enriched the political agenda for sustainable development. The abundant outputs of CROP offer varied responses to the challenge of reducing poverty while conserving the planet’s life support systems.

CROP’s achievements over the years have to a large extent been the result of the leadership and input provided by CROP Directors, who have cultivated international research, drawn on existing and new networks, established links with publishers, held research seminars globally, networked at UiB and encouraged the dissemination of research through a variety of publication and social media outlets.

**KEY DISSEMINATION AND NETWORKING ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Key activities and achievements of CROP include:

- The publication of over 40 books since 2011 (from CROP and through collaborative activities with CLACSO) and total of 58 since 1995, many of which were available at no cost in the South. (Full details are listed in Appendix 1 to this document).
- There are currently an additional 11 books at various stages of production.
- Existing book contracts with ZED; Ibidem Verlag; and Siglio – most of which allow open access a year after publication, which is critical resource for scholars in the South, and one which has extended CROP’s credibility and profile internationally.
- The hosting of an average of 4 international workshops per annum (30 in the period 2009-17)
- 49 Poverty Briefs have been published since 2010 (see the CROP www page for details)
- The hosting of numerous guest lectures, academic visitors, round table discussions, postgraduate supervision and teaching, and public events. Included in this are numerous co-organised activities held at UiB.
- The CROPNet network, which at the end of 2018 consisted of 1834 scholars. The CROP network (CROPNet) consists of scholars in the field of poverty research – in its widest definition. New members are included when they a) present papers at CROP events; b) submit proposals through open calls; or c) participate in CROP events and/or related activities or projects.
- A mailing list with over 2360 recipients.
- The operation and maintenance of the CROP website, YouTube Channel, Facebook and Twitter accounts (see the CROP www page for details).

This international outreach is significant and is line with what one would expect from an organisation associated with pursuing the mandate of an international body such as the ISC. As CROP transforms it is important that the goodwill and linkages that have been developed internationally over time are built on and not lost. It will be critical for the new Director / existing Secretariat to inform CROP’s networks of current changes and encourage them to continue their association with the new programme.

The Workshop Model:
The hosting of international research workshops has been a key operational strategy of CROP, whereby the main foci of the workshop programme are:

- Approximately 4 workshops per year co-organised by CROP on the basis of an open call around a theme of international significance
- Contributions in kind by co-organising partners
- An emphasis on giving a voice to scholars from the South
- A multi-level review process
- A tangible end product – normally a book and/or contributions to Policy Briefs
- Public events and social media releases associated with the workshop

ACADEMIC FOCUS:

CROP has always focused on key debates critical to the human condition and sustainability. In the period 2009-2017, CROP co-organised 30 international workshops on global issues, including child poverty, social inclusion, water and food. In the case of Latin America, this led to the publication of 24 books in Spanish and significant influence on national and international policy debates.

The publication of 58 books since 1995 (and another 11 which are still in various stages of production) is a significant academic achievement.

QUALITY OF THE RESEARCH AND OUTPUT:

CROP has always focussed on the production of research and policy recommendations of a very high standard. The quality of the work is attested to by:

- The significant volume of major outputs (see Appendix 1)
- The quality of such output as exemplified by the citations scores listed in Appendix 2 and the examples of favourable citations of some of the books which CROP has produced from leading scholars such as: Jason Hickel, Alberto Martinelli, Jamie Pack, Ajit Singh, Richard Jolly, Bob Deacon, David Hulme and David Lewis (see also Appendix 2).
- The linkages developed with leading academics globally, many of whom through their association with CROP have become ‘CROP Fellows’ (see Appendix 3) and who have supported CROP through their own work over the years. Fellows for 2014-2018 include: Sonia Bhalotra, Robyn Eversole, Julian May, Hilary Silver and Paul Spicker, amongst others. Fellows prior to 2014 included: Sabine Alkire, David Gordon and Lucy Williams.
- The growing number of scholars who have joined CROPNet (1834 scholars by the end of 2018).
- The securing of long-term publishing contracts with key publishing houses.
- Invitations to co-organise and participate in events (examples in recent years and up to the present day include UNESCO, IDS, King’s, Harvard, HSRC (SA), DST (SA), UNAM (Mexico), World Bank)
- Invitations to submit joint project proposals (examples in recent years include: UNESCO Caribbean Office, UNESCO HQ, King College, University of Lincoln, World Bank, ECOWAS, IDS, HSRC and UCLAN.)
CROP is known for its critical approach and characteristic way of doing things (open calls, co-production of knowledge, concrete output)

- Significant international outreach in line with what one would expect from an organisation pursuing the mandate of an international body such as the ISC.
- Increasing numbers of followers on Social Media (Facebook and Twitter)

**KEY OPERATIONAL CONSIDERATIONS:**

Over the years, CROP has developed clear and effective operational procedures, which have helped to ensure global connectivity and international relevance. *A restructured CROP would benefit from retaining many of these systems, including:*

- Oversight provided by an international Scientific Committee which, in addition to providing external advice and input, has aided CROP through the fostering of additional linkages and ensuring that CROP is an institution with an international profile that explores topical, globally relevant enquiries.
- Links with the ISC have endorsed the international recognition and status of UiB amongst global bodies, the aid industry and the research community.
- A global network of scholars linked through various publication and media outlets e.g. CROPNet.
- The pursuit of topical, internationally relevant scholarship through the hosting of international workshops on key issues, which then serve as a basis for publications that can be widely disseminated.
- The need to ensure academic and applied/policy outputs to ensure relevance and contribute nationally and internationally to the goals of the ISC.

**CONSIDERATIONS GOING FORWARD:**

While the Faculty of Social Science staff at UiB will no doubt bring new research and policy contacts into the ambit of CROP, *it is important to retain the established regional and international links CROP has built up over the years with international and global bodies, including:*

1) **International and regional networks:**
   - CROPNet (see above)
   - ISC (previously ISSC) networks
   - IAI (Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research)
   - CLACSO (Latin American Council of Social Sciences)
   - UN / UNDP / UNESCO
   - UNICEF
   - World Bank (Global Forum Partner: Law, Justice and Development; Communities of Practice; International Poverty Law)
2) **National organisations and universities**

- NFR (Research Council of Norway)
- FLACSO Mexico (Latin American Social Sciences Institute)
- CEIL-CONICET (Labour Research and Study Centre - National Scientific and Technical Research Council of Argentina)
- HSRC (Human Sciences Research Council, South Africa)
- DST (Department of Science and Technology, South Africa)
- IDS (Institute of Development Studies, UK)
- UKZN (University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa)
- UWC (University of the Western Cape, South Africa)
- UNILA (Universidade Federal da Integração Latino-Americana, Brazil)
- UCSal (Catholic University of Salvador, Brazil)
- UNAM (Autonomous University of Mexico)
- University of Guadalajara (Mexico)
- Democritus University of Thrace (Greece)
- King’s College London (UK)
- Minda de Gunzburg Center for European Studies and Weatherhead Center for International Affairs (Harvard, USA)

Over the years, funding links have been cultivated with various sources, many of which could potentially be accessed in the future. These include:

- Research Council of Norway
- CONICET
- SIU-UTFORSK
- NORAD
- A wide range of local partners that co-finance workshops and publications
In terms of dissemination, key publication and networking outlets exist, which a restructured CROP could continue to use. These include:

- Existing book contracts with ZED Books (London, UK), Siglio XXI Editores (Mexico) and Ibidem Verlag (Stuttgart, Germany)
- Existing social media channels with over 700 followers
- The CROPNet network consisting of 1834 scholars
- An email mailing list with over 2360 recipients
- The CROP Poverty Brief series.

Crucial to the operation of CROP have been the skills and institutional knowledge of the secretariat, whose members are well positioned to retain, develop and adapt the networking and publication dimensions of CROP as well as to ensure a degree of continuity with the networks and scholars with whom CROP has been associated. Retaining and building on institutional knowledge and established international linkages is an issue the SC believes is critical at this juncture.

CONCLUSION

This document was prepared by the Chair and members of the Scientific Committee of CROP. The SC is more than willing to support and engage with the key stakeholders involved in the process of refocussing CROP and to provide such support and advice as we are able.

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The SC has also had two ex-officio members (one from UiB and one from the ISSC).
Appendix 1: CROP: List of books produced or in production

List of Books Produced 1995-2011

2. Urban Poverty, Satterthwaite, D., Environment and Urbanization (special journal issue), 1995

CROP Series (ZED & IBIDEM) 2011-2018 (Source: www.crop.org)

1. POVERTY AS IDEOLOGY Andrew Martin Fischer. CROP Prize- Zeb Book London, 2018

2. THE DEMOCRATIC DEVELOPMENTAL STATE: NORTH-SOUTH PERSPECTIVES. Edited by Chris Tapscott, Tor Halvorsen, Teresita Cruz-Del Rosario. Ibidem Verlag, Stuttgart March 2018

4. **TACKLING CHILD POVERTY IN LATIN AMERICA: RIGHTS AND SOCIAL PROTECTION IN UNEQUAL SOCIETIES**. Edited by Alberto Minujin, Mónica González Contró, Raúl Mercer. Ibidem Verlag, Stuttgart. 8 March 2017


**CLACSO-CROP Series: 2011-2013** (Source: [www.crop.org](http://www.crop.org))

1. **MULTIDIMENSIONALITY OF POVERTY** Sonia Pérez Tello, Aracali Damián & Claudio Salvadori Dedecca, CLACSO-CROP Series, CLACSO, Buenos Aires, June 2013.

2. **DIVERSITY, DISCRIMINATION AND POVERTY IN ACCESS TO PUBLIC HEALTH. DEMANDS FROM THE LGTBI COMMUNITIES IN BOLIVIA, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR AND PERÚ** Martín JAIME CLACSO-CROP Series, CLACSO, Buenos Aires, June 2013.


9. **LA CONSTRUCCIÓN SOCIAL DE LA POBREZA EN AMÉRICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE PERSPECTIVAS, ALTERNATIVAS Y CRÍTICAS** CLACSO-CROP Series, CLACSO, Buenos Aires, June 2013


17. **LAS RELACIONES INTERNACIONALES DE LA POBREZA EN AMÉRICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE** CLACSO-CROP Series. CLACSO. Buenos Aires, February 2012

18. **A FACE FEMININA DA POBREZA EM MEIO À RIQUEZA DO AGRONEGÓCIO** Christiane Senhorinha SOARES CAMPOS. CLACSO-CROP Series, CLACSO/Editora Outras Expressões, São Paulo, November 2011


22. **POBREZA URBANA EN AMÉRICA LATINA Y EL CARIBE** María Mercedes Di Virgilio, María Pia Otero & Paula Boniolo (Coordinators). CLACSO-CROP, Series, CLACSO, Buenos Aires, June 2011.


**OTHER CO-PRODUCTIONS** (Source: https://www.crop.org/Publications/Other-Publications)

1. **LO ESENCIAL NO PUEDE SER INVISIBLE A LOS OJOS: POBREZA E INFANCIA EN AMÉRICA LATINA** edited by Mónica González Contró, Raúl Mercer, and Alberto Minujin, FLACSO México, 2016

BOOKS IN PRODUCTION (Source: CROP Newsletter 2, 2018)

2. Social Policy, Poverty and Inequality in Central and Eastern Europe and the Former Soviet Union. Output from an international workshop held in June 2017 in St. Petersburg, Russia (expected publication: 2019 by Ibidem)
5. Stop the Bleeding: Protecting Poor Countries’ Revenues. Krishen Mehta et al. (expected publication: 2019 by ZED)
7. Food Sovereignty as a Strategy for Confronting Poverty and Inequality. David Barkin, (CROP Prize as part of the CROP Book Series) (expected publication: 2019 by ZED)
8. Why Some Development Works by Meera Tiwari (CROP Prize, as part of the CROP Book Series) (expected publication: 2019 by ZED)
10. Addressing Inclusion among Children and Adolescents Living in Poverty. A. Minujin et al. Output from an international workshop held in October 2017 in New York, USA (expected publication: 2020 by Ibidem)

Total books produced or co-produced over the period: = 58 + 11 currently in production
Appendix 2: Most Cited Crop Books & Reviews

a) Most Cited Books

Atal, Y. 1997, Poverty and Participation in Civil Society, Abihnav - 40 cites
Reis, E. et al., 2005, Elite Perceptions of Poverty, Zed – 149 cites
Eversole, R. et al., 2013, Indigenous People and Poverty, Zed - 72 cities
Spicker, P. et al., 2007, Poverty an International Glossary, Zed – 100 cites
Mehrotra, S., et al., 2007, Eliminating Human Poverty, Zed – 82 cities
Montana, E., 2012, Escenarios De Cambio Ambiental Global, Escenarios De Pobreza Rural, Clacso – 34 cites
Laurell, A., 2013, Impacto Del Seguro Popular En El Sistema De Salud Mexicano, Clacso – 65 cites
Senhorinha, C., 2011, A Face Feminina Da Pobreza Em Meio À Riqueza Do Agronegócio, Clacso – 43 Cites

b) Examples of Book Reviews


‘This book offers a refreshing and much-needed critical perspective on the MDGs and the dominant development paradigm – a must-read for anyone hungry to move beyond a failing model’. Jason Hickel, LSE.

‘Essential reading for anyone trying to understand how global governance might live up to its promise to eradicate poverty and achieve social justice.’
David Hulme, University of Manchester

‘A thorough analytical assessment of the impact of the Millennium Development Goals in substantially reducing poverty around the world. It should be read by scholars, policy makers and civil society.’
Alberto Martinelli, University of Milan

‘A rich collection of contributions from multiple disciplines and perspectives, this book offers diverse views on whether the MDGs made a meaningful change. It is a welcome antidote to the triumphalism of those who proclaim the MDG’s success.’
Sakiko Fukuda-Parr, The New School

‘As the world moves from the Millennium Development Goals to much more extensive Sustainable Development Goals, Sodhi and Karan are to be congratulated in giving us a timely reminder of the complexities involved.’
Saman Yazdani Khan, director of the Centre for Health and Population Studies, Pakistan

'Tracing ambiguities and contradictions in the commodification of medicine, the application of human rights to safeguard the health of poor people is illustrated with clarity and conviction. In an era of deepening divisions between the many and the few this is a critical contribution.’
Lucia D’Ambruoso, lecturer in global health, University of Aberdeen

‘This book is a comprehensive assessment of the health consequences of poverty: it is courageous in its honesty and appropriately demanding of its reader. We must act.’
Stephen Leeder, emeritus professor, The University of Sydney

'Protecting the Health of the Poor is an immensely important and timely volume. It sheds powerful light on movements of resistance and hope.'
Amiya Kumar Bagchi, emeritus professor, Institute of Development Studies Kolkata

‘Presents compelling evidence of diverse health inequities, traversing both political economy and political ecology, that continue to haunt global conscience.’
Rajib Dasgupta, Jawaharlal Nehru University

'A thought-provoking and provocative collection of essays that amount to an urgently needed call for action in promoting global health.'
Nicole Hassoun, Binghamton University


'In this deep critique of global poverty studies, Andrew Fischer shows how dodgy methods and metrics and wishful thinking combine to place scholarly analysis of poverty in the effective service of economic orthodoxy and neoliberal policies. Informed by the author’s own field research and spectacular command of the literature, Poverty as Ideology is an instant landmark.’
James K. Galbraith, The University of Texas at Austin.

‘A timely, spirited, critical dismantling of the poverty business, complete with thoughtful suggestions for its alternatives. Of great value to students and practitioners alike.’
Barbara Harriss-White, Oxford University (Emeritus)

‘In this important work, Fischer shows how concepts and measures of poverty come with underlying ideologies and politics. This lays the basis for a truly transformative approach, explicitly bringing in the politics of social justice.’
Jayati Ghosh, Jawaharlal Nehru University

‘Fischer does a wonderful job in linking technocratic approaches to poverty reduction, which try to eschew questions of politics and power, to neoliberal hegemony. His critique is powerful and
Ray Kiely, Queen Mary University of London

‘This award winning book shows that global poverty and what we know about it is much more contentious than is ever recognised in the headlines. A must-read for anyone who cares about global poverty and inequality.’
Andy Sumner, King’s College London

‘A bracing challenge to contemporary approaches to poverty and exclusion. No matter your point of view, Fischer will make you rethink what you thought you knew.’
Gary Dymski, Leeds University Business School

‘In this landmark contribution, Fischer uncovers the ideological foundations of poverty and poverty measurement, going beyond critique and deconstruction to spell out a radical alternative. Perceptive and profound, this is essential reading.’
Jamie Peck, University of British Columbia


‘This book has an ambitious agenda. It offers a framework for conceptualizing macroeconomic policies on the assumption that people matter. The authors demonstrate a sure grasp of the complexities of policy-making to reduce poverty. This book offers an indispensable guide to policy makers and development practitioners.’
Professor Ajit Singh, Faculty of Economics, University of Cambridge

This book gets to the core of what will be needed to revive economic growth after the slowdown in much of the developing world over the last 25-30 years - by reversing the deflationary tendency of much contemporary macroeconomic policy.’
Jomo K. S., Assistant Secretary-General for Economic Development, UN Department of Economic and Social Affairs

‘A vital reference for donors, NGOs and others wanting to see the MDGs achieved - but uncertain how much it will cost. The analysis and 30 country case-studies provide important evidence and hard analysis to fill the gap between over-simple estimates of costs and over-cautious pessimism on policies.’
Sir Richard Jolly, former architect of the Human Development Report

‘This book is the blueprint for eradicating world poverty in the 21st century. Forget Stiglitz, move on from Sachs: this book based on over a decade of committed work in UNDP and UNICEF marks the real turning point away from neo-liberalism in the global discourse about economic and social policy.’
Bob Deacon, Professor of International Social Policy, Director of Globalism and Social Policy Programme, Sheffield University, UK

‘This is an excellent, timely book...Innovative, clearly written, readable and draws on a comprehensive range of research.’
Dr David Lewis, Reader in Social Policy, London School of Economics.
Appendix 3

CROP Fellows: 2014-2018

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