



# Call for Papers

## Ninth Annual Research Conference on Population, Reproductive Health and Economic Development

June 24-26, 2015

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

### **Background**

The Population and Poverty Research Network (PopPov) is a group of academic researchers and funders from around the globe interested in how population dynamics affect economic outcomes. We are investigating how population policies can influence poverty reduction at the household level and economic growth at the country/state level. The Ninth Annual Research Conference on Population, Reproductive Health and Economic Development will take place from June 24-26 in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia. Selected papers will advance knowledge, addressing the themes relevant to the PopPov inquiry into how population dynamics and reproductive health affect economic development (see references below).

### **Conference Themes**

The conference scientific program steering committee invites paper submissions that address important issues at the intersection of population, reproductive health and economic prosperity. We strongly encourage studies that are policy relevant, can make causal connections, and provide insight for programmatic or policy changes. A listing of research publications from the PopPov Research Network may be found at <http://www.poppov.org>.

Some areas of particular interest to the network include:

- Links between fertility and economic outcomes (labor force, consumption, savings, productivity)
- Intrahousehold bargaining and economic outcomes
- Men's roles in reproductive health decisions
- Impact of social protection programs on marriage, fertility and empowerment
- Intergenerational effects (for example, the impact on children of interventions that target young women)
- Connections between urbanization, fertility, and poverty trends
- Effect of delaying marriage on fertility and empowerment outcomes
- Drivers of fertility preferences
- Measurement of empowerment

### **Instructions for Submission of Papers**

Submit papers at <http://www.conftool.net/PopPovConf2015/>

### ***Minimum Submission Requirements:***

- The official language of the research conference is English. Accommodation for French language speakers will depend on the number requiring assistance. French language speakers requiring assistance may submit an abstract in English and French.

- You are invited to submit either an extended abstract (2 pages minimum) or preliminary paper online to the Ninth Annual Research Conference. Submissions must be sufficiently detailed to allow the steering committee to judge the merits of the research and must include a description of the research objectives, the data and research methods, some preliminary results, and the policy relevance of the research. Policy relevance may be defined as: (1) identifying a problem that needs to be addressed by government; (2) identifying or assessing potential policy/programmatic solutions to a social/economic problem; (3) providing new information or techniques that may be used in design of social/economic/health programs.

### **Deadlines and Important Dates**

The deadline for all paper submissions is **March 2, 2015, 8AM ET**. All applicants will be notified about the status of their submission by April 1, 2015. Only accepted papers may be presented at the conference. No substitutions will be allowed.

**March 2, 2015, 8AM ET:** Deadline for submitting extended abstracts or papers

**April 1, 2015:** Last day for notifying applicants, acceptances made on a rolling basis

**June 10, 2015:** Deadline for presenters to submit completed papers

**June 20, 2015:** Deadline for presenters to submit presentations

### **Travel Awards**

Travel funds are available to assist paper presenters as well as current and former PopPov grantees without other sources of travel funding. Priority will be given to individuals with papers accepted for the program (one author), program participants (discussants, committee members), and researchers or stakeholders employed in developing country institutions.

## **References**

Population Dynamics and Economic Development: Elements of a Research Agenda, July 2005

<http://poppov.org/Portals/1/documents/CGDworkingGroupReportJuly2005English.pdf>

Population Dynamics and Economic Development: Filling the Research Gaps, March 2009

[http://poppov.org/Portals/1/documents/papers/Joshi\\_Nugent.pdf](http://poppov.org/Portals/1/documents/papers/Joshi_Nugent.pdf)

Please check <http://poppov.org/PopPovConferences/9thAnnualPopPovConference.aspx> for updates.

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