

International Conference: Taking Stock: Measuring Social Development

International Institute of Social Studies, Kortenaerkade 12 The Hague

Preliminary Conference Program

Wednesday 14 December

- 9.00-9.30 Registration
- 9.30-9.45 Welcome by Leo de Haan, Rector ISS
- 09.45-10.15 Overview of the Indices of Social Development by Arjan de Haan & Irene van Staveren (ISD/ISS)
- 10.15-10.30 presentation 6th index by Ellen Webbink (ISD/ISS)
- 10.30-10.45 coffee/tea break

Paper session I: Long run development & causality

- 10.45-11.15 Granger testing the ISD of causal relationships, John Cameron & Yih Lerh Huang (ISS)
- 11.15-11.55 Social development and sub-national growth in developing countries, Eelke de Jong, Myrthe Haarman & Jeroen Smits (*Radboud University Nijmegen*)
- 11.55-12.30 Tracking structural development processes, John Cameron & Yih Lerh Huang (ISS)
- 12.30-13.15 lunch break
- 13.15-13.55 Social development and Inclusive Growth, Arjan de Haan (International Development Research Centre) Paper session II: Comparing ISD with other social indices
- 13.55-14.35 Measuring social exclusion in eastern Europe and Central Asia, Max Spoor (ISS)
- 14.35-15.15 Quality of Life Index and ISD compared, Lauren van der Maesen *(European Foundation on Social Quality)*
- 15.15-15.30 coffee/tea break
- 15.30-16.10 Social development and happiness in nations, Ruut Veenhoven (Erasmus University)
- 16.10-16.45 Panel discussion on the value added of ISD for policy research
- 16.45-17.30 Drinks



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Paper session III: ISD and development aid

- 9.15-10.05 The role of social institutions in determining aid effectiveness, Roberto Foa (*Harvard University*)
- 10.05-10.45 Impact of ODA on development through civil society, Ellen Webbink & Irene van Staveren (ISD/ISS)
- 10.45-11.00 coffee/tea break

paper session IV: ISD and (gender) inequality

- 11.00-11.40 To Measure is to Know?A Comparative Analysis of Gender Indices. Irene van Staveren (ISS)
- 11.40-12.30 Can Indices of Social Development explain the wage rankings, wage dispersions, and standardized wage levels of 16 health workforce occupational groups across 20 countries? Kea Tijdens (University of Amsterdam/AIAS & Erasmus University Rotterdam)
- 12.30-13.15 lunch break
- 13.15-14.30 Key note speech (Title: Gender Indices and Measuring In Inequality & Social Development) & discussion. Stephan Klasen (University of Göttingen)
- 14.30-15.15 Panel discussion on possible elaborations of ISD
- 15.15 End of conference