

## **GRIPS-ODI Joint Seminar**

### **The Impact of PRSPs —Achievements, Challenges and the Role of Aid—**

GRIPS Development Forum has been engaged in a series of research projects including institutions supporting PRSPs, aid effectiveness, the choice of aid modalities. Throughout this process, we have been strengthening the collaboration with the researchers of ODI (Overseas Development Institute), London-based think tank on aid and development policies. Given the importance of this topic and taking advantage of the visit by prominent ODI researchers to Tokyo, GRIPS Development Forum would like to invite Dr. David Booth, Research Fellow and Coordinator of the Poverty and Public Policy Group (PPGP) to make a presentation on the impact of PRSPs and exchange views with the interested audience in Japan, ranging from policymakers, aid practitioners, and researchers. Dr. Booth has extensive knowledge and experiences in PRSPs, new aid agenda, politics and aid, and we hope that this opportunity will contribute to broadening the spectrum of the research agenda and policy debates between UK and Japan.

Theme: The Impact of PRSPs — Achievements, Challenges and the Role of Aid

Date: 9 June 2005 (Thu) 14:00-17:30

Place: GRIPS Roppongi Campus, Conference Room 3C

(MAP: <http://www.grips.ac.jp/forum-e/map.htm>)

Keynote Speaker: David Booth (Research Fellow and Coordinator of the PPGP/ODI)

Panel Discussion: “How Should We Respond to the Challenges of Institution Building in Developing Countries?”

➤ Moderator: Izumi Ohno/GRIPS

➤ Panelists:

- Kazuo Kodama (Deputy Director General, Economic Cooperation Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs)
- Takehiko Nakao (Director, Coordination Div., International Bureau, Ministry of Finance)
- Motoki Takahashi (Professor, Kobe University)
- Seiji Kojima (Executive Director, JICA)
- Shozo Kitta (Executive Director, JBIC Institute) I’ve now got his correct title.

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If you intend to participate please provide your name, affiliation, title and contact number by email at Asuka Suzuki (asuka@grips.ac.jp) **no later than 1 June 2005**.

Please understand that, due to a limited space, we might not be able to accommodate your application. You will be notified by return in that case.

Please see the attached document for more details including the program. The questions on the seminar program and content may be addressed to Eiji Hirao ([e-hirao@grips.ac.jp](mailto:e-hirao@grips.ac.jp))

\*This seminar is planned, taking advantage of the visit by ODI researchers to Japan as part of their research project with JICA on "Aid to Africa." GRIPS Development Forum would like to express sincere appreciation to the understanding and cooperation extended by JICA.