ALL-IN Research Network Virtual Launch

The ALL-IN Research Network (ARN) Virtual Launch hosts a lineup of leading speakers and panelists to introduce this new initiative serving African economics researchers and the broader international development community.

Wednesday
June
8

**4 p.m. - 5:30
East Africa Time**

Online event

Register:
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ARN supports locally led, locally relevant research agendas defined by African researchers and their institutions. With ARN support, African researchers in development economics and related fields define and lead large-scale research priorities. ARN also establishes connections to an international development community that offers research funding and assistance to scale field-tested programs and policies. This approach will narrow the gap between national pilot studies and national program design, increasing the impact of research investments.

The ALL-IN Research Network Virtual Launch introduces the network's mission, vision and key objectives. The event also outlines the initiative's implementation as well as partnership opportunities for researchers, policy makers and stakeholders across the field of development.

ARN is a collaborative initiative between the Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk and Resilience and the International Center for Evaluation and Development (ICED).

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Background & Motivation

The challenges of poverty and resilience are dynamic. Designing, testing and sustaining innovative solutions requires shifting the locus of research control to African economists. To this end, ARN supports leadership and innovation in research for development by empowering and mobilizing the emergent capacity of African researchers and research institutions.

ARN researchers take the lead in defining research priorities, drawing in additional global research partners as needed to supplement their own skills, talents and ideas. A focus on a local research agenda utilizing local knowledge and connections also helps close the gap between evidence and policy. ARN is a collaborative initiative between the International Centre for Evaluation and Development (ICED) and the Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk and Resilience at the University of California, Davis.

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ALL-IN RESEARCH NETWORK PUBLIC LAUNCH

Date: **8th June, 2022**
Time: **4pm EAT – 5:30 pm EAT**
Duration: **90 minutes**

Where: {VIRTUALLY} REGISTER HERE
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN__4CQKgr7QtuKpBlt021hTA

SUMMARY

The ALL-IN Research Network (ARN) is a collaborative initiative between the International Centre for Evaluation and Development (ICED) and the Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk and Resilience (MRR Innovation Lab) at the University of California, Davis. The network strengthens the capacity of development economists in Africa to fully engage and take the lead in defining research priorities that have transformative impacts on public policy in their countries and around the globe.

The ARN will also serve as a valuable resource to the international development community for actionable research led by Africans. This network supports the creation of locally-led, locally-relevant research agendas, and its engagement with local research institutions. It leverages their local expertise and relationships with stakeholders and policymakers to share recommendations. This approach will narrow the gap between national pilot research studies and national program design, increasing the impact of research investments.

This Launch of the Research Network {ARN} aims to create awareness and give an in depth overview of what the ARN hopes to achieve and how it intends to do so. It will be held virtually, and our target audience includes evaluators, researchers, policy makers, and research institutions, and donors.

These are some of the key objectives we hope to achieve from the launch:

1. **To officially launch and promote visibility of the network**
2. **To introduce the objectives and vision of the network to current and potential stakeholders / partners**
3. **To learn new ideas from participants and get their feedback.**
4. **To support collaboration amongst researchers, peer learning, sharing objectives, and commitment of the network.**

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PROGRAMME

Overview

1. Intro {25 minutes}
    a. Housekeeping
    b. Background and Motivation
    c. Objectives, Mission, Vision
    d. Overview of Network Activities
2. Key note speaker {15 minutes}
3. Panel Discussion {35 minutes}
4. Q & A: {10 minutes}
5. Closing Remarks {5 minutes}

1. Introduction {25 minutes}

Moderator: Tara Chiu

- **Housekeeping**
  Tara Chiu

- **Background and Motivation (how and why we started the Network)**
  Dr. David Ameyaw

- **Mission, Objectives, Long-term Vision for the Network**
  Prof. Michael Carter

- **Overview of Network Activities**
  Tara Chiu and Annesofie Misiani

2. Key Note Speaker: Dr. Julius Muia, PS National Treasury {15 minutes}

3. Panel Discussion: (35 Minutes)

Moderator: Prof. Michael Carter

a) Pierre Jacquet, President Global Development Network

Focus: Empowering local research capacities to inform policies towards national systems development.

b) Joseph Ssentongo, Global Innovation Fund
   Focus: The role of research and evidence, being essential to innovation.

c) Tentative USAID representative.
   Focus: TBC

- **Moderated Panel Discussion**

4. **Q & A:** {10 Minutes}
   Moderator: Tara Chiu

5. **Closing Remarks:** Dr. David Ameyaw