

Attendance of International Conference and Training Workshop in the Philippines:

Dr Reuben Adeolu Alabi, An Alexander von Humboldt Research Fellow in IWIM, has been invited to **7th Poverty and Economic Policy (PEP) Research Network Conference and Training Workshop** to be held at Dusit Thani Hotel, Manila, Philippines on **December 6-12, 2008**. Dr. R. Alabi will be speaking on **'Marginal Benefit Incidence Analysis of Public Spending in Nigeria'**

The conference is being organized by the PEP-CBMS Network Office of the Angelo King Institute for Economic and Business Studies, De La Salle University in partnership with the Centre Interuniversitaire sur le Risque, les Politiques Économiques et l'Emploi (CIRPÉE), Université Laval, Canada, the Consortium pour la Recherche Économique et Sociale (CRES), and the Université Cheikh Anta Diop, Senegal.

The conference and training workshop will convene about 200 participants composed of poverty experts, researchers, policymakers and other development stakeholders from about 40 countries. This year's conference shall tackle issues relating to the recent global economic crisis and its impact on poverty, monitoring the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs), and on inclusive growth among other PEP current research findings. The program of activities is organized as follows:

December 6: Training Workshop on Modeling the Poverty Impacts of Agricultural Policies and Shocks

December 7 (am): MPIA Training Workshop on the PEP Standard CGE Model

December 7 (pm): PMMA Training Workshop on Implementing the Sen Capabilities Approach in Developing Countries

December 8: Training Workshop on Policy Impact Evaluation.

December 9: Policy Forum on Trade, Investment and Domestic Policy Coherence for Inclusive Growth.

December 10-11: Conference Parallel Sessions & Network Policy Conference

December 12: End of the conference and departure.

The conference is made possible through the funding support of the International Development Research Centre (**IDRC-Canada**), the Canadian International Development Agency (**CIDA**), and the Australian Agency for International Development (**AusAID**).

IWIM wishes **Dr R.A Alabi** a safe journey, a good contribution, and fruitful discussions at the conference. The contribution will also become published at IWIM.