

Data Driven Development in Africa Workshop 2018
May 18-19, 2018
Bloomington, Indiana

We are calling for original research papers relevant to the collection and analysis of social, economic or political data from the African continent. The goal of the conference is to improve research on African political and economic development by contributing to the collection and analysis of high-quality data. In particular, we seek papers that answer substantive questions using large, multi-level, or non-traditional datasets, or which directly tackle issues such as missing-ness and measurement error. Quantitative observational research is the focus of the conference, but we do hope to include field-based and contextualized research that helps us understand the quantitative data that we use. With the exception of experimental evaluations of protocols intended to improve data quality (e.g. question wording effects), experiments are not the focus of the conference.

Sponsored by the Tobias Center on Innovations in Development at Indiana University's School of Global and International Studies, this two-day conference will take place May 18-19, 2018, from 9 am Friday until 2pm Saturday in Bloomington, Indiana. The conference will be devoted to intensive work-shopping of papers-in-progress. All participants are expected to have read all conference papers in advance; presentations will be minimal.

Accepted presenters will receive travel and accommodation for one author per paper. Please submit your abstracts by January 20, 2018, using the following link:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1Hbut8-kwF7zpeIPdR4llo1qvGV9euM_4AF-XZxm4wZM/prefill

As the conference approaches, information will be available on the SGIS Tobias Center Website. Feel free to contact Justin Schon (jschon@indiana.edu) or Jessica Steinberg (steinbjf@indiana.edu) with questions.