Africa-Asia Policy Dialogue  
September 25-28, 2006  
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

*Corruption, Poverty and Growth: Progress, Prospects and Challenges in Africa and Asia*

**Sunday, September 24**  
Participants arrive in Dar es Salaam

**Monday, September 25**

**Morning**

13:30 – 14:00 **OFFICIAL WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS**  
**Speaker (TBC)**  
Parliament of Tanzania

*Dr. Rasheed Draman*
Director, Africa programs, Parliamentary Centre

14:00 – 15:00 **POVERTY REDUCTION AND FIGHTING CORRUPTION: OVERVIEW OF KEY ISSUES, CHALLENGES AND PROGRESS**

- Overview of the latest poverty and corruption key issues in the world
- Challenges faced by governments in reducing poverty and fighting corruption
- Assessment of how Africa and Asia are doing in terms of achieving the MDGs and promoting good governance

*Donald Mnari (TBC)*  
Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA)

15:00 – 15:30 **BREAK**

15:30 – 17:15 **PANEL - NETWORK AND COMMITTEE EXPERIENCES: ISSUES AND CHALLENGES IN FIGHTING POVERTY AND CORRUPTION**

- Brief presentation of committee/networks’ work in their respective sector
- Priority issues for committee/network
- Achievements to date and challenges faced
- Looking to the future, what next for networks or committees

*Hon. Anne Makinda (TBC)*  
Deputy Speaker - Tanzania, African Parliamentary Poverty Reduction Network (APRN)  
**Speaker TBC**  
Asian inter-parliamentary organization (AIPO) – Committee on Poverty  
*Augustine Ruzindana (TBC)*  
Chair, African Parliamentary Network Against Corruption (APNAC)  
**Speaker TBC**  
South East Asian Parliamentarians against corruption (SEAPAC)  
**Moderator:** Dr. Rasheed Draman, Parliamentary Centre
17:15 – 17:30 **FIELD VISIT INFORMATION SESSION**
- Information on next day field visit

**Poverty Reduction Officer**
Parliamentary Centre

19:30 **DINNER RECEPTION**

**DFID White Paper 2006: Eliminating World Poverty: Making Governance Work for the Poor**
Speaker: **David Stanton** (TBC), DFID Tanzania

Presented by: **Amelita Armit**, VP Programs, Parliamentary Centre

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**Tuesday, September 26**

8:30 – 10:00 **THE CAUSALITY BETWEEN CORRUPTION, POVERTY AND GROWTH**
- Presentation of findings from a study undertaken by SISERA on the relationship between corruption, poverty and growth based on the notion of causality in the context of panel data (18 African countries).
- Implications for poverty reduction and anti-corruption efforts.

**Felix Fofana N’Zue** (TBC)
Secretariat for Institutional Support for Economic Research in Africa (SISERA)

- Presentation of findings on the relationship between corruption, poverty and growth based on studies conducted in Asia.
- Implications for poverty reduction and anti-corruption efforts.

**Second Speaker TBC**
Asian Development Bank

10:00 – 10:15 BREAK

10:15 – 11:00 **CASE STUDY: PROMOTING ANTI-CORRUPTION PRACTICES AND ALLEVIATING POVERTY**
- Case study from Asia illustrating how a specific country has been successfully dealing with poverty alleviation and decreasing corrupt practices.
- What actions, reforms, policies lead to such change? What conditions are needed?
- How did efforts in one area (i.e. poverty reduction) affect the other areas (i.e. corruption and growth)?

**Speaker TBC**

11:00 – 11:45 **CORRUPTION IN THE HEALTH SECTOR: IMPACT FOR ACHIEVING MDGS**
- Presentation of findings from a study undertaken by TI on corruption in the health sector and its impacts on service delivery and the poor. Recommendations for the health sector will also be shared.
- Implications for achieving the MDGs, especially MDG 1, 4, 5 and 6.

**Speaker TBC**
Transparency International
11:45 – 12:30  
**CORRUPTION IN THE NATURAL RESOURCES SECTOR: IMPACT ON POVERTY ALLEVIATION**  
Hon. Patchili Bouzabo  
National Assembly of Chad

12:30 – 13:30  LUNCH

13:30 – 17:00  Field visit TBC – Health program or CSR program dealing with transparent practices and/or poverty reduction

17:00  Return to hotel and free evening

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**Wednesday, September 27**

8:30 – 10:00  GROUP DISCUSSION ON FIELD VISIT FINDINGS

10:00 – 10:30  BREAK

10:30 – 12:00  **MECHANISMS TO FIGHT CORRUPTION AND ALLEVIATE POVERTY**

- Institutional reforms, legal reforms, conventions and development frameworks, political will and leadership.
- What mechanisms seem to work best?

**Dr. Ludeki Chweya** (TBC)  
Consultant with the Kenya bilateral project, Parliamentary Centre

**Speaker**  
National Commission on Poverty - Asian country (TBC)

12:30 – 13:30  LUNCH

13:30 – 15:30  **PANEL: ROLE OF STAKEHOLDERS IN FIGHTING POVERTY AND CORRUPTION**

How can parliamentarians be more effective in both fighting poverty and promoting accountability and transparency? What should be the priorities? What does it take to create more leaders in this area?  
**Hon. Khalifa Ababacar Sall** (TBC)  
MP, Parliament of Senegal

How are the media and CSOs involved in poverty and anti-corruption efforts? How can the media and civil society partner with parliaments to ensure effective parliamentary oversight of poverty reduction and anti-corruption efforts?  
**Speaker** (TBC)  
Media organization  
**Speaker** (TBC)  
Representative from Tanzanian CSO
How can donors and the international community better contribute to poverty reduction and anti-corruption efforts in Africa and Asia; and how can they best support parliaments to become stronger institutions in overseeing the government, passing and drafting legislation and listening to the voices of the people?

**Rick Stapenhurst** (TBC)
Senior Public Sector Specialist, Governance Team, World Bank Institute
**Speaker TBC**
CIDA Tanzania

**Moderator:** MP from Asia

15:30 – 16:00   BREAK

16:00 – 16:45   **ROLE OF STAKEHOLDERS IN FIGHTING POVERTY AND CORRUPTION**
Discussions continue

16:45 – 17:30   **Recommendations for way forward and conclusions**
**Amelita Armit**
VP Programs, Parliamentary Centre

17:30 – 17:45   **Closing ceremony and vote of thanks**
Hon. Anne Makinda, Deputy Speaker, Parliament of Tanzania

**Thursday, September 28**

Participants depart from Dar es Salaam