Dear colleagues (with apologies for any cross-posting),
Welcome to the monthly update of opportunities, announcements and events by the Oxford Poverty & Human Development Initiative (OPHI). These messages aim to highlight key resources and information materials. In addition, in the coming months our website will be developed http://www.ophi.org.uk/ to enable access to our work in the most timely and convenient way for you. We welcome your feedback and participation.

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Professor Anderson presents ‘Poor Country-Rich Country Convergence or Polarization in Lifetime Wellbeing: Africa and the Rest’, at 12–1.30pm, Queen Elizabeth House, Seminar Room 2. This is part of the Oxford Department of International Development lecture series, and will be available online soon. [read more…] http://www.ophi.org.uk/subindex.php?id=events0#4

‘Distribution and Development’ course with James Foster, May–June 2009
Professor James Foster, a Research Associate at OPHI in Trinity Term 2009, will present a course comprising eight classes on ‘Distribution and Development’. The course is appropriate for senior PPE or masters’ students with an interest in poverty, inequality, and economic development, but is open to all. [read more …] http://www.ophi.org.uk/subindex.php?id=teaching6

Vacancy: Research Officer in Human Development Data and Indicators DEADLINE 8 MAY (REF: VG-09-004)
Applications are invited for a Research Officer post, to start as soon as possible, tenable for one year, with the possibility of a one-year extension. The main duties of the post will be to co-lead the Missing Dimensions programme and contribute to its ongoing development - including research coordination, data analysis, and communication. Closing date: Friday 8 May 2009 [read more …] http://www.ophi.org.uk/subindex.php?id=about2
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**OPHI Workshop on Robustness Methods for Multidimensional Welfare Analysis**
Queen Elizabeth House, 5-6 May 2009
This workshop brought together 25 junior and senior researchers, including Professors Tony Atkinson, Gordon Anderson, Jean-Yves Duclos, James Foster, Stephen Jenkins, Lars Osberg, Andrea Saltelli, Alain Trannoy, and others working on robustness and dominance techniques to analyse the conditions under which multidimensional welfare or poverty indicators rank social groups consistently, and the degree of sensitivity of these indicators to changes in their key components; such as the weights attached to dimensions or the criteria used to identify a particular subgroup of the population like the poor. The programme and description of the workshop are available online [read more …]
http://ophi.qeh.ox.ac.uk/subindex.php?id=events214

**OPHI Workshop on Multidimensional Measures in Six Contexts**
Queen Elizabeth House, 1-2 June 2009
This workshop will explore multidimensional measures of child poverty, targeting of social protection, quality of education, governance, fair trade, and gender. Multidimensional measures are used widely on each of these topics. The workshop will explore the strengths and weaknesses in the construction of prominent measures in each area, and will also present empirical papers that apply alternative methodologies and explore the value-added of these. As spaces are extremely limited, resources from this workshop will be made available on the website. We encourage comments and suggestions by email. [read more …]
http://www.ophi.org.uk/subindex.php?id=events216

**OPHI Brochure 2009**
The new OPHI brochure includes an overview, research outline, details of workshops and teaching activities. Printed copies are freely available upon request. [read more…]
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