



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary Session

May 9<sup>th</sup>, 2013: 15:30-17:00

Lagoon Beach Hotel, room

10th PEP General Meeting  
Cape Town, South Africa

### PAGE Priority Themes

#### Presenters :

- **Sandra Darville**, Inter-American Development Bank  
"Entrepreneurial risk tolerance by gender and Discrimination in credit access for women"
- **Désiré Vencatachellum**: African Development Bank  
"Youth employment and entrepreneurship"
- **Winnie Mwasiaji**, Government of Kenya  
"Providing social protection to the informal sector"

#### Chair:

- TBC

#### Description of session:

PEP has innovated in defining the precise policy research issues for the first round competition of the PAGE program by convening a group of international experts closely involved in the policy elaboration process in national governments and international development banks. This session will allow three of the five members of this "Policy Group" an opportunity to present in more detail the policy research issues they each identified.

Presenters will argue the importance of these policy issues for economic and social development throughout out the developing world, and discuss how research can contribute to amassing an empirical evidence base for elaborating effective policy recommendations.

The speakers' combination of deep research and policy experience give them a unique perspective on policy analysis. This session aims to harness this expertise to encourage researchers to think more profoundly and systematically about the policy applications of their research throughout the project cycle: elaboration of the proposal, conduct of the analysis and dissemination of the results.