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NEWS



2018 Spring Meetings Civil Society Policy Forum Wrap-Up

The 2018 Meetings Civil Society Policy Forum (CSPF) took place from April 17-21. You can find [summaries of CSPF sessions](#), read a report on the CAO's [Session Panel](#), watch the CSPF video [here](#), and read the CSO moderator blog on the EDs Roundtable [here](#).

2018 Annual Meetings CSPF (Oct. 9-12) Call for

Session Proposals: Call for proposals for the IMF-World Bank Annual Meetings Civil Society Policy Forum in Bali, Indonesia is now open. **Deadline:** July 6. Apply [here](#).



Competition: SDGs and Her

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Launch of Tracking SDG7: The Energy Progress Report

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Results and Performance of the World Bank Group (RAP) 2017

The [Results and Performance of the World Bank Group \(RAP\) report](#) is IEG's annual review of the development effectiveness of the World Bank Group (WBG), which includes IBRD/IDA, IFC, and MIGA. The report synthesizes existing evidence from IEG evaluations, validations, and other products, complemented by relevant information from other sources (e.g., WBG corporate documents). [here](#)



The World Bank and International Organization for Migration (IOM)

The WB and IOM signed [two standard agreements](#) to facilitate easy access of IOM's expertise to governments implementing projects with the World Bank. These frameworks will streamline procedures for cooperation and see an immediate impact, as it will expedite IOM's engagement with the Government of Iraq under the World Bank-financed [Emergency Social Stabilization and Resilience Project](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Gender and the Judiciary in Africa Conference](#)

Discussion of how the judiciary can guarantee women's rights and promote women's role in social and economic development.

- June 10-14, 2018
- Arusha, Tanzania

[Disruptive Innovations, Value Chains, and Rural Development Conference](#)

The impact of new value chains and technology on agribusiness and farmers and their capacity to implement innovation.

- June 12-15, 2018
- Washington, D.C.

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PAST EVENTS

[Fair Progress? Economic Mobility across Generations Around the World](#)

A new World Bank report finds economic mobility in developing countries has stalled for the last 30 years, leaving generations of poor people trapped in a cycle of poverty determined by their circumstances at birth and unable to ascend the economic ladder due to inequality of opportunity. The report draws on a newly developed Global Database of Intergenerational Mobility with coverage of 148 countries, home to 96 percent of the world's population.

[The International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia, and Biphobia \(IDAHOT\)](#)

The theme of IDAHOT 2018 was "Alliances for Solidarity." The World Bank Group joined in commemorating the day. Highlighting recent World Bank research and data, the discussions and activities aimed to shed light on the overlapping dimensions of exclusion LGBTI people face based not only on their sexual orientation or gender identity, but also on other identities such as their ethnicity, religion or social status – and why building alliances is important for achieving equality of opportunity for all, especially the poor and vulnerable. In Austria, the World Bank and the Austrian Federal Ministry for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs held a panel discussion with invited European institutions followed by a short question and answer session with the audience.

[The Understanding Risk Forum](#)

Held in Mexico City from May 14-18, the Forum brought together a global community of 7,000+ experts and practitioners active in the creation, communication, and use of disaster risk information. Members shared knowledge and experience, collaborate, and discuss innovations and best practice in risk assessment. The community convenes every two years at UR Forums – five-day events that highlight groundbreaking work, facilitate nontraditional partnerships, and showcase new technical know-how in disaster risk identification.

[Why Do People Stay Poor?](#)

That was the question posed by the most recent event in the DEC Lecture Series. Oriana Bandiera, Sir Anthony Atkinson Professor of Economics and the Director of the Suntory and Toyota Centre for Economics and Related

Disciplines (STICERD) at the London School of Economics, discussed her research on the ways in which incentives affect people's behavior, and how far these effects depend on social context or social relationships.

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