

Call for Papers and Invitation to Training Course
Fourth Meeting
IMPACT EVALUATION NETWORK (IEN)
at University of Miami, Florida, US
October 8th and 9th, 2010

The IMPACT EVALUATION NETWORK (IEN) at the Latin American and the Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) is an initiative that aims to advance the state of knowledge and expertise regarding impact evaluation of different policies in the Latin America and the Caribbean region. The Network aims to promote impact evaluation methodologies, increase capacity building, and bridge research and policy in the region.

The fourth annual meeting is a joint effort with the Economics Department of the University of Miami, taking place on October 8th and 9th, 2010 in Miami, Florida, US. This year the program will include a one-day training course by Prof. Guido Imbens (Harvard University) on recent methodological developments in program evaluation. The course will be divided in two mornings, followed each afternoon by the presentation of six or seven papers selected on the basis of academic merit. Past keynote speakers have been, among others, David Card (UC Berkeley), Dean Karlan (Yale University), Michael Kremer (Harvard University and J-Pal), Sebastián Galiani (Washington University at Saint Louis), Orazio Atanassio (University College, London) and Santiago Levy (IADB).

The Network is seeking papers that use impact evaluation techniques applied to program or policy, with priority given to evaluations in countries in the region. We also welcome methodological papers advancing the state of knowledge of program evaluation techniques. A scientific committee will review submitted papers.

Interested researchers and advanced graduate students are welcome to attend and participate in the meeting and training activities even if they are not presenting papers. The number of participants, however, will be limited, so early registration is encouraged.

Important Dates

Last day to submit papers	July 31st, 2010
Notification of paper acceptance	August 10th, 2010
Registration to participate in training and meeting	
- Opens	June 21st, 2010
- Closes	September 1st, 2010

Papers (in Word or PDF formats) and any inquiries concerning the meeting should be sent by e-mail to: ien@cedlas.org.

Registration information can be found at: <http://www.depeco.econo.unlp.edu.ar/cedlas/ien/>. All participants (including paper presenters) need to register. All participants not presenting papers need to pay a registration fee of US\$100 (US\$50 for students with valid ID) for the training.

Financial aid will be available for paper presenters only.

Academic Committee for the 2010 meeting:

Alzua, Maria Laura – CEDLAS, Departamento de Economía – Universidad Nacional de La Plata, Argentina

Ibarraran, Pablo - Strategic Planning and Development Effectiveness - Inter-American Development Bank

Mitnik, Oscar – Economics Department, University of Miami

Soares, Yuri – Evaluation Office – Inter-American Development Bank