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Southern regionalisms, Global agendas: Innovating inclusive access to health and medicines in a context of social inequity

Friday 4th December 2015, 9am-5pm;

Venue: Berrill Lecture Theatre, The Open University, Milton Keynes

9.00 **Opening:** Professor Kevin Hetherington, PVC Research and Academic Strategy, The Open University

Global social regionalisms: situating PRARI in research and policy fields
Nicola Yeates, The Open University

09.40 **Access to health and medicines: regional diplomacy for inclusive development?**

Chair: Stefan Kühner, York University

The Poverty of Regionalism: what do Southern African and South American regionalisms tell us about poverty reduction through health governance and diplomacy?
Pía Riggirozzi, Southampton University

Discussant: Ilcheong Yi, UNRISD

Access to medicines: regional challenges, responses and initiatives:

Joseph Mthetwa, Southern African Development Community Secretariat

Mariana Faria, Union of South American Nations

Discussants: Stephen Kingah, UNU-CRIS; Maureen Mackintosh, The Open University

Refreshments

11.15 **Embedding social equity and health in regional governance: participatory approaches**

Chair: Jean Grugel, The Open University

Regional health governance, monitoring systems, and participatory policy making

Ana.B. Amaya, Stephen Kingah and Phillipe de Lombaerde, United Nations University Institute on Comparative Regional Integration Studies, and Themba Moeti, Health Systems Trust, South Africa

12.30 Lunch (optional walking tour of OU outdoor sculpture and art)



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The afternoon moves into two panel discussions held in plenary session, involving members of academia, policy, practitioner and advocacy communities, in dialogue with each other and conference delegates. The Roundtables reflect on the morning's presentations and discussions, and focus on the implications for a prospectively enhanced role of regional governance in achieving the SDG health, health-related, poverty and equality goals and targets. The discussions are chaired by an independent moderator, Professor Bob Deacon (Sheffield University). See Roundtable Briefing and Discussion Document.

1.45 Roundtable: Achieving the SDGs on health and poverty: what role for regions?

Sarah Edwards, Health Poverty Action

Julius Mugwagwa, The Open University

Joseph Mthetwa, Southern African Development Community

Ilcheong Yi, United Nations Research Institute for Social Development

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3.15 Roundtable: Innovating regional and inter-regional action for universal health and social protection coverage: what is to be done?

Mariana Faria, Union of South American Nations

Luiz Eduardo Fonseca, FIOCRUZ

Ruth Stern, People's Health Movement

Mami Yamada Sakurai, UN Office for South-South Cooperation

4.45 Conference close: Regionalisms, social policy and poverty elimination: ongoing agendas and dialogues

Nicola Yeates, The Open University

5.00 end