

**ACHIEVING DEVELOPMENT
RESULTS
IN MIDDLE-INCOME COUNTRIES**

Conference Agenda

October 18, 2007

1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. ***Coffee and Registration***

2:00 p.m.—2:20 p.m. **Opening**

Conference Chairperson: Ngaire Woods, Professor, Oxford University

Opening Remarks: Vinod Thomas, Director-General, Evaluation, The World Bank Group

2:20 p.m.—2:40 p.m. ***Achieving Development Results in Middle-Income Countries:
Lessons from the experiences of the World Bank***

Speaker: Thomas O'Brien, Lead Economist, Independent Evaluation Group

2:40 p.m.—3:45 p.m. ***MICs' Growing Importance in the Global Economy:
Challenges and Opportunities***

The session will explore how development in MICs affects—and is affected by—changing global trends.

Address: Ricardo Hausmann, Professor, Harvard University

Discussant: Homi Kharas, Visiting Fellow, The Brookings Institution

Hung Tran, Senior Director, Institute of International Finance

3:45 p.m.—4:15 p.m. ***Coffee break***

4:15 p.m. —4:30 p.m. ***A View from the United Nations***

Address: Kemal Derviş, Administrator, United Nations Development Programme

4:30 p.m.—5:45 p.m. ***A New Role for Multilaterals?***

The session will discuss the evolving role of multilateral institutions in middle-income countries, and what an effective partnership might look like in the future.

Address: Suhair Al-Ali, Minister of Planning and International Cooperation, Jordan

Discussants: Pamela Cox, Vice President, Latin America & Caribbean Region, World Bank

François Bourguignon, Chief Economist & Senior Vice President, World Bank

Juanita Amatong, Monetary Board Member, Central Bank of The Philippines

5:45 p.m. **Reception (The Atrium)**