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Third Roundtable on Managing for Development Results: Statistics Theme

Day 2, “Big Picture” breakout session, 2 hours

Data for Results: Policy Needs

This panel discussion of policy makers and statisticians will aim to examine the data that policy makers need to develop programs that reduce poverty and achieve development results. What decisions do they have to make, what are their policy choices and to whom do they need to demonstrate progress? How have statisticians responded?

Panelists



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Anthony Kyalo Mwangulu Kilele has been the Director of the Central Bureau of Statistics in Kenya since 2003. He has over 25 years experience working as an economist in the Civil Service, and has headed Central Planning Units in various government ministries. In 1999 he was appointed Head of the Medium-Term Expenditure Framework (MTEF) Secretariat in the Ministry of Finance and Planning, which was responsible for the introduction of the first MTEF Budget and the interim Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper for 2000-2003. Thereafter he headed the newly created Budget Monitoring Department until his appointment as Director of Statistics.

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Pierre Jacquet has been Executive Director (in charge of strategy) and Chief Economist at the French Development Agency (AFD) in Paris since January 2002. He was formerly Deputy Director of the French Institute of International Relations (IFRI) in Paris and Chief Editor of IFRI's quarterly review *Politique Etrangère*. He is professor of international economics and chairman of the Department of Economics and Social Sciences at the Ecole Nationale des Ponts et Chaussées, and a guest professor in executive programs at the French business school INSEAD. His fields of interest include globalization, international monetary and financial issues, the coordination of economic policies, trade policies and negotiations, European issues and development.



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