2026 Health Economics & Development Cooperation meeting

Early Career Workshop and Fall Meeting
15 and 16 October 2026
German Institute of Development and Sustainability, IDOS, Bonn

Thursday, 15 October 2026

Early Career Workshop

Each paper is allocated 40 minutes, including a 25-minute presentation, comments from an assigned discussant and general discussion.

Time	Programme
09:30 to 09:45	Participants' arrival and registration
09:45 to 10:00	**Welcome remarks, short round of introductions and housekeeping** Christoph Strupat (IDOS) and Jan Priebe (BNITM)
10:00 to 10:40	*Traditional and modern healthcare demand in sub Saharan Africa: Experimental evidence on beliefs about illness origins and treatment effectiveness* Cédric Isaac Mbavu (BNITM) Discussant: Andreas Landmann (University of Marburg)
10:40 to 11:20	*State Reach and Public Support for Domestic Health Financing* Lisa Hall (IBEI) Discussant: Manuela De Allegri (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health)
11:20 to 11:35	**Coffee break**
11:35 to 12:15	*Health Insurance and Household Financial Decision Making: Evidence from Rural Kenya* Sean Richardson (Erasmus University Rotterdam) Discussant: Jan Priebe (BNITM)
12:15 to 12:55	*Healthcare Utilization and Out of Pocket Spending for Non-Communicable Disease Multimorbidity in India: The Role of Age, Gender, and Insurance* Swati Srivastava (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health) Discussant: Christoph Strupat (IDOS)

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13:00 to 14:15	**Lunch break**
14:15 to 14:55	*Can social protection moderate the impact of heat on birth outcomes in India?* Anja Schönmüller (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health) Discussant: Julia Lohmann (LMU)
14:55 to 15:35	*Who Benefits from Affirmative Action? Sub Caste Inequality in India* Pawandeep Kaur (University of Göttingen) Discussant: Christoph Strupat (IDOS)
15:35 to 15:50	**Coffee break**
15:50 to 16:30	*Prioritising Malaria Chemoprevention Strategies in Malawi: A Cost Effectiveness Analysis to Inform Health Resource Allocation* Chisomo Mkwandah (Malawi-Liverpool-Wellcome Trust) Discussant: Jan Priebe (BNITM)
16:30 to 17:10	*Assessing the effectiveness of sensitisation strategies on knowledge and healthcare seeking behaviour in Southern Madagascar: protocol of a mixed methods study* Lisa Bogler (Charité Berlin and University of Göttingen) Discussant: Paula von Haaren (IDOS)
17:10 to 17:20	**Closing remarks and outlook for Day 2** Christoph Strupat (IDOS) and Jan Priebe (BNITM)
18:30	**Joint workshop dinner at Bönsch**

Friday, 16 October 2026

Workshop- Global Health Financing: Reforms, Insurance and Financial Protection

Regular papers are allocated 30 minutes, including a 20 minute presentation and 10 minutes for questions and discussion.

Time	Programme
09:15 to 09:25	**Welcome remarks** Anna-Katharina Hornidge (IDOS)
09:25 to 09:30	**Introduction to the Workshop** Christoph Strupat (IDOS) and Jan Priebe (BNITM)
09:30 to 10:25	**Keynote: Global Health Financing Reforms** Inke Mathauer (Senior Health Financing Specialist, WHO)
10:25 to 10:40	**Coffee break**
10:40 to 12:10	**Special Session: Implementing Outpatient Health Insurance in Pakistan: A Multi Method Evaluation of a Complex Health Financing Initiative**
10:40 to 10:50	Introduction and overview of the SHPI II rollout and the RE AIM framework Andreas Landmann (University of Marburg) and Manuela De Allegri (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health)
10:50 to 11:05	*Balancing Human and Technological Factors: A RE AIM Based Qualitative Evaluation of the SHPI II* Maira Shaukat (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health)
11:05 to 11:20	*Enhancing Health Insurance Awareness and Utilization: Evidence from a Phone Based Intervention in Pakistan* Lisa Rogge (University of Marburg)
11:20 to 11:35	*Evaluating the Short Term Impact of Outpatient Health Insurance on Healthcare Utilization and Financial Protection* Simona Helmsmüller (Hochschule Bonn-Rhein Sieg)
11:35 to 11:50	*Gatekeeper or Gate Closer? Facility Based Registration and Referral Pathways under Pakistan's New Outpatient Insurance Scheme* Sarah Wetzel (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health)
11:50 to 12:10	**Joint discussion**
12:10 to 12:40	*Impact of urban community based health insurance on service use and financial protection in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia: Evidence from a quasi experimental study* Arjun Bedi (International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam)
12:40 to 13:40	**Lunch break**

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13:40 to 14:10	*Financing the Poor in the National Health Insurance Scheme of Zanzibar: Developing a Sustainable Business Case for the Health Equity Account to Cover Poor and Vulnerable Populations* Siddharth Srivastava (Swiss TPH)
14:10 to 14:40	*Designing an Oral Health Benefit Package for Rwanda's National Health Insurance Schemes: An Evidence Informed Deliberative Process for Priority Setting in Low- and Middle-Income Countries* Demetrio Lamloum (Heidelberg Institute of Global Health)
14:40 to 15:10	*From Administrative Control to Contractual Accountability: Strategic Purchasing as a PHC Governance Reform in Tajikistan* Gary Asperas (management4health AG)
15:10 to 15:25	**Coffee break**
15:25 to 15:55	*The Impact of Interactive Voice Response Message Reminders on Health and Nutrition Outcomes in Northern Ghana* Charles Yaw Okyere (University of Ghana)
15:55 to 16:25	*Does Social Identity Shape Out of Pocket Healthcare Expenditure? Evidence from India* Khalid Khan (Jawaharlal Nehru University)
16:25 to 16:40	**Closing discussion, goodbye and outlook** Christoph Strupat (IDOS) and Jan Priebe (BNITM)