

Call for papers

First Annual Workshop Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) Berlin, Germany January 15-16, 2006

The purpose of the Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) is to bring together cutting edge empirical and theoretical micro-level research on the nature, causes and consequences of violent conflict. While much macro-level cross-country work is already available, HiCN focuses on detailed micro-level studies. A non-exhaustive list of topics to be covered in the workshop includes:

- Triggers of collective violence grounded on individual interactions and/or group identities
- Relationship between individual/household risk, security and coping mechanisms
- Dynamic links between poverty, inequality, social exclusion and violent conflict
- Relationship between common resource management and violent conflict
- Gender aspects of violent conflict
- Impact of violent conflict on household/individual health status
- Impact of violent conflict on migration and population displacement (including the role of refugees)
- Links between violent conflict and local forms of governance (including forms of traditional leadership)

We are particularly interested in empirical papers based on innovative household- or individual-level surveys.

The workshop will take place at the German Institute for Economic Research (DIW Berlin) in Berlin, January 15-16, 2006. Invited speakers include Robert Bates (Center for International Development, Harvard University), Klaus Deininger (World Bank), Macartan Humphreys (Columbia University) and Mansoob Murshed (Institute of Social Studies, The Hague).

Limited funding is available for selected participants from developing countries, or researchers in early stages of their career who do not receive funding from their home institution.

Please send your completed paper in PDF format to Theresa Jennings, t.jennings@hicn.org before September 30, 2005. Persons whose paper is selected for presentation will be notified before October 31, 2005. A limited number of selected papers will be considered for a potential symposium in *Economic Development and Cultural Change*.

Further information on HiCN can be found at www.hicn.org or by emailing t.jennings@hicn.org. HiCN is funded by the UK Leverhulme Trust and supported by the Poverty Research Unit at the University of Sussex in the UK, the German Institute for Economic Research in Berlin and the Catholic University of Leuven in Belgium.

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