Membership of CGIAR’s Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA)

Purpose

This document presents the background, decision request and rationale related to membership of SPIA as outlined in the document following this cover note, namely a nomination by the SPIA Chair to extend the membership of Dr. Sujata Visaria and Dr. Monica Biradavolu for an additional three-year term, and to appoint Dr. Jennifer Burney, Dr. Susan Godlonton and Dr. Jenny Aker as new SPIA members for an initial three-year term, all with effect from 1 July 2024.

The proposal for the new members has been consulted with and supported by the System Council’s Standing Committee on Strategic Impact, Monitoring and Evaluation (SIMEC) at its 32nd meeting.

Action Requested

The System Council is therefore requested to consider and if thought appropriate to approve the:

- Extension of Dr. Sujata Visaria as SPIA Member for an additional three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024;
- Extension of Dr. Monica Biradavolu as SPIA Member for an additional three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024;
- Appointment of Dr. Jennifer Burney as SPIA Member for an initial three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024;
- Appointment of Dr. Susan Godlonton as SPIA Member for an initial three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024;
- Appointment of Dr. Jenny Aker as SPIA Member for an initial three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024.

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Prepared by: SPIA Professional Team on behalf of the SPIA Chair, through CGIAR’s Independent Evaluation and Advisory Service.
SPIA Chair nomination for SPIA Members

Background

1. The CGIAR System Council approved the Terms of Reference (TOR) of CGIAR’s Standing Panel on Impact Assessment (SPIA) with effect from 12 May 2023 (Decision Ref: SC/M18/DP3).  

2. As set out in Section 4.1 of the SPIA TORs, “SPIA will consist of a core of at least 6 members, one of whom serves as SPIA Chair. SPIA membership may be grown as needed to lead on the delivery of different components of the approved workplan ...”

3. At the 18th System Council meeting held on 11 and 12 May 2023, the System Council approved Scenario 1 of the new operational model, workplan, and multi-year budget (2023-2030) of SPIA, pursuant to paragraph 7.6 of the SPIA TOR. The approved budget ceiling includes honorarium payments for up to 13 SPIA members, including the Chair. This approved expansion in SPIA members is necessitated by the ambitious new workplan, especially the scaled country studies program. With a more decentralized operational model, SPIA members will – to a greater degree than in the past – have defined and delegated responsibilities related to components of the SPIA workplan.

4. According to Section 4.7 of the SPIA TORs, “The members of SPIA will be identified by the SPIA Chair based on role specification, criteria and key competencies desired for SPIA members, as approved by the System Council, with those persons identified by the SPIA Chair, in consultation with SIMEC, being confirmed by the System Council.”

5. According to Section 4.3 of the SPIA TORs, “SPIA members, including the Chair, will serve an initial three years, with the possibility of renewal up to three additional years without further extension. To the extent possible, membership terms will be staggered to ensure a gradual refreshing of members”.

6. SPIA currently has six members as shown in the table in Section 14 below. Three members, Sujata Visaria, Monica Biradavolu and Kelsey Jack will end their current term on 30 June 2024. Dr Kelsey Jack has renounced renewing her term.

7. In line with the above procedures, Sujata Visaria and Monica Biradavolu were presented to System Council as SPIA members on 26 May 2021 and were approved on 10 June 2021 (decision SC/M13/DP53), for a three-year term commencing on 1 July 2021 and ending on 30 June 2024. SPIA now wishes to extend their membership for an additional three-year term until 30 June 2027.
8. In view of the above approvals and procedures, and in view of the new demands that have been made to SPIA by System Council with the approval of Scenario 1 of the new operational model namely to:
   a. expand the number of countries where the reach of CGIAR-related innovations and policy influences is systematized, quantified and tracked over time
   b. generate new causal evidence of impact on CGIAR’s five impact areas
   c. continue to support CGIAR in improving the generation and use of rigorous impact evidence,

SPIA aims to have nine or ten members by end of 2024. Towards this aim, SPIA now wishes to appoint three new members to lead part of the SPIA program of work as a first step toward this target panel size. Subsequently, SPIA intends to nominate additional members in Q3 or Q4 2024 to reach the full target end-of-year size.

The key criteria considered for selection of the new candidates include:
   a. track record in capacity building for impact assessment;
   b. proven ability to work with and engage social and biophysical scientists to identify opportunities for studying CGIAR impacts and design strong studies;
   c. excellent publication record, demonstrating methodological innovation and rigor in establishing impact of CGIAR innovations;
   d. a broad understanding of the work of CGIAR and the challenges involved both in establishing impacts of AR4D and in the use of such impact evidence for policy making.

9. Following consultation with SIMEC on the proposed new membership during a meeting on 13 March 2024, the SPIA Chair presents the candidacies for approval by System Council pursuant to Article 4.7 of the SPIA TOR.

Decision requested

10. On the recommendation of the SPIA Chair, the System Council is requested to confirm that the following persons be appointed as SPIA members for an additional three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024, without further extension:
    a. Sujata Visaria
    b. Monica Biradavolu

11. On the recommendation of the SPIA Chair, the System Council is requested to confirm that the following persons be appointed as SPIA members for a three-year term with effect from 1 July 2024, with the possibility of renewal up to three additional years without further extension:
    a. Jennifer Burney
    b. Susan Godlonton
    c. Jenny Aker
12. Diversity among the Panel is an important element for SPIA in selecting new members. It is key to maintain substantive diversity of topical and methodological expertise so that SPIA can effectively carry out its broad workplan. In addition, SPIA also considers the origin, gender and current affiliation of its members.

Sujata Visaria contributes across all SPIA objectives and helps steward the continuation of the multi-year workplan activities, assuring optimal returns to investment made. Her deep experience in Asia and emerging markets, and her strong theoretically grounded and empirically rigorous research on value chains, financial access and marketing arrangements, help guide the orientation of the SPIA country work in Asia. Dr. Visaria furthermore contributes significantly to the design and oversight of the causal impact studies.

Monica Biradavolu’s qualitative methods skills, training in sociology and connections to experts in mixed (qualitative-quantitative) methods help expand SPIA’s capacity to provide guidance to Initiative Design Teams. Dr. Biradavolu brings a particular expertise on gender, and social inclusion more broadly. As part of a pluri-disciplinary team, she has done pathbreaking work on measurement innovations around women’s agency, combining qualitative methods with machine learning approaches to design new rigorous and scalable measures. Dr. Biradavolu’s competencies complement the contributions and expertise of the other SPIA members.

Jennifer Burney would bring a new disciplinary background and desired skillset to SPIA as she holds a PhD in Physics and has established expertise in remote sensing and earth observation applied to agricultural topics. She would lead this measurement and methodological component of the SPIA agenda.

Susan Godlonton would be a member from the Global South, as she is a national of South Africa. She has maintained very close institutional connections with collaborators and organizations in the Sub-Saharan Africa region, including within the CGIAR. Her extensive work experience in the domain of the economics of development, health and labor markets and unique professional networks throughout Africa would enable her to make immediate and valuable contributions to SPIA and align with CGIAR poverty and livelihoods impact area.

Jenny Aker would bring strong impact assessment expertise, including at the interface of information and communication technologies (ICTs) and agriculture. She has specific interest in working with the SPIA use of evidence team. Her collaborations with CGIAR researchers, NGOs and funders give her a broad network that will serve SPIA well. Her know-how on the application of ICTs in impact assessment and evidence communication dovetails with CGIAR’s digital and data transformation and the SPIA learning studies on digital innovation.
13. Appendix 1 sets out further information on the part of the SPIA work program that would be led by the extended and the new members and the rationale for the selection.

14. As approved, SPIA would have a broad thematic and geographic composition, as shown in the table below (extended members are shown in green, and new members are added in red at the end of the table).

The Panel composition as approved would be underrepresented by Panel members from the Global South as well as male Panel members.

As a byproduct of the call for expressions of interest for the SPIA country studies, we have identified several valid new candidates from the Global South as potential Panel members. This pool includes four male candidates: a nutritionist from a university in East Africa, an East African economist based at a university in Scandinavia, a South Asian economist based at a university in Australia and an economist from a university in West Africa. While we are eager to pursue nominations of Panel members drawn from this qualified pool, we must wait until the country subcontracts have been decided before putting forward new nominations from within this group in Q3 or Q4 2024, to avoid any potential conflict of interest.

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<td>Jenny Aker</td>
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Appendix 1

Candidates nominated by SPIA Chair for extended membership

**Sujata Visaria** - Reader of Finance at Bayes Business School, City, University of London, UK and Associate Professor of Economics, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Sujata Visaria contributes across all SPIA objectives and helps steward the continuation of the multi-year workplan activities, assuring optimal returns to investment made. Her base and deep experience in Asia and emerging markets, and her strong theoretically grounded and empirically rigorous research on value chains, financial access and marketing arrangements, help guide the orientation of the SPIA country work in Asia. Dr. Visaria furthermore contributes significantly to the design and oversight of the causal impact studies.

Dr. Visaria has a strong publication record (including multi-disciplinary journals) and brings insights regarding incentives by different actors in value chains, credit markets, marketing arrangements, and policymaking. She combines these insights with rigorous empirical methods to test optimal designs for contracting arrangements and market structure. Her research spans work in (her native) India and various emerging markets in South East Asia. Before moving to HKUST, Dr. Visaria was an Assistant Professor of Economics at Boston University and a Visiting Assistant Professor at the Ford School of Public Policy and Ross School of Business, University of Michigan. She is a Research affiliate at the Bureau of Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD) and at the Innovation for Poverty Action (IPA) in the small and medium enterprises initiative.

Dr. Visaria received her MA from the Delhi School of Economics and completed her PhD in Economics at Columbia University.

**Monica Biradavolu** – CEO of Qualanalytics, USA and India

Monica Biradavolu is the CEO of Qualanalytics and a well-recognized mixed-methods impact assessment expert. Dr. Biradavolu expands SPIA’s capacity to respond to new asks resulting from the OneCGIAR reform, and in line with the overall SPIA mandate. Her qualitative methods skills, training in sociology and connections to experts in qualitative-quantitative methods help expand SPIA’s capacity to provide guidance to Initiative Design Teams. Accounting for the broad range of research areas and topics covered by the research initiatives, this necessarily implies using a variety of methods to provide rigorous evidence of impacts for testing key assumptions underlying theories-of-change, stage-gating, learning and accountability purposes. Dr. Biradavolu brings a particular expertise on gender, and social inclusion more broadly. As part of a pluri-disciplinary team, she has done pathbreaking work on measurement innovations around women’s agency, combining qualitative methods with machine learning approaches to design new rigorous and scalable measures. Dr. Biradavolu’s competencies complement the contributions and expertise of the other SPIA members.

Dr. Biradavolu has published widely in top health, nutrition, sociology and multidisciplinary journals, plus a book with a sociological study of entrepreneurs and innovators. She has done impact assessment research using both qualitative and mixed-methods approaches in Asia,
the Middle East and Sub-Saharan Africa. She is also well recognized for her qualitative methods trainings. Prior to her current position, she was an Assistant Research Professor in the Department of Sociology and Assistant Director of the Center on Health, Risk & Society at the American University. She was also a Research Scholar at the Global Health Institute at Duke University and a postdoctoral associate at the Center for Interdisciplinary Research on AIDS at Yale University.

Dr. Biradavolu completed her BA in Sociology at the University of Delhi, India and received her MA and PhD in Sociology from Duke University, US.

Candidates nominated by SPIA Chair as new members (full CVs are attached)

**Jennifer Burney** – Professor, School of Global Policy and Strategy, UC San Diego, USA

With a background in physics, Jennifer Burney is a recognized expert in remote sensing and earth observation. As a member of SPIA, she will primarily be responsible for implementing the remote sensing and earth observation elements of SPIA’s TORs and provide essential expertise in this domain as well as familiarity with broader impact assessment methods.

Prof. Burney is strong in all four areas. She holds a PhD in Physics from Stanford University and has published extensively on the relationship between climate change and food security, often with a focus on the agricultural sector.

**Susan Godlonton** – Associate Professor, Williams College, USA

As a national of South Africa, Susan Godlonton has significant research experience in Sub-Saharan Africa. As a member of SPIA, she will work closely with the Chair on the implementation of SPIA’s TORs, including in ways that leverage her unique professional networks that span the Global North and South.

Prof. Godlonton is strong in all four areas. She holds a PhD in Economics from the University of Michigan and has published extensively on the economics of development in Africa, including on topics of health, labor and agriculture. She previously worked at IFPRI.

**Jenny Aker** – Professor of Development Economics, Tufts University, USA and Senior Researcher, Wageningen University, The Netherlands

As a member, Jenny Aker will work closely with the SPIA Chair on the implementation of SPIA’s TORs with a specific focus on use of evidence. Jenny has specifically expressed interest in helping SPIA to translate rigorous evidence of reach and impact for use in decision making. She has worked closely with CGIAR centers and researchers and other CGIAR stakeholders and funders. She is highly qualified to lead SPIA’s efforts to promote the use of evidence as part of its core mandate.
Prof. Aker is strong in all four areas. She holds a PhD in Agricultural and Resource Economics from the University of California, Berkeley and has published extensively on the economics of agricultural development in Africa, including the impacts of ICTs on individuals, households and markets.

In July 2024, Prof. Aker will transition from Tufts to Cornell University, but she will retain her affiliation with Wageningen University in the Netherlands.
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Education

Ph.D., Physics, Stanford University (January 2007)
A.B., History and Science, Harvard College (June 1999)

Professional Appointments

July 2018 – Present
Associate Professor, School of Global Policy & Strategy: Environment and Policy
University of California, San Diego

July 2012 – June 2018
Assistant Professor, School of Global Policy & Strategy: Environment and Policy
University of California, San Diego

Oct 2010 – June 2012
UC President’s Postdoctoral Fellow, Scripps Institution of Oceanography
University of California, San Diego

Jan 2008 – Sept 2010
Postdoctoral Fellow; Center on Food Security & the Environment
and Department of Earth System Science, Stanford University

Peer-Reviewed Publications


Under Review and In Preparation


33. M. C. Levy, W. Neely, A. Borsa, J. Burney. “Vegetation water demand, subsidence, and groundwater in California’s Central Valley” (revisions requested).


37. S. A. Benz and J. Burney. “Urbanization’s perturbation to the global surface energy balance and its consequences for future temperature exposures.”

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Other Published Work


3. J. Burney, Crop Impacts section author in “India-California Air Pollution Mitigation Program (ICAMP): A joint initiative by The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI) India, University of California at San Diego (UCSD), and the California Air Resources Board (CARB).”


Fellowships & Awards

2017: American Geophysical Union Global Environmental Change Early Career Award Recipient
2017: UC San Diego campus-wide diversity award recipient
2014: Named Kavli Frontiers of Science Fellow
2014: Named Hellman Fellow
2011: Named National Geographic Emerging Explorer
2010: University of California President’s Postdoctoral Fellow (through 2012)
2006: Joseph R. McMicking Fellow, Stanford Physics Department
2003: NASA Graduate Student Research Program Fellowship (through 2006)
1999: Hoopes Prize for "Outstanding Senior Thesis" (Harvard College)
1999: Rothschild Prize for "Best Written Thesis" (Harvard History of Science Department)
1999: Phi Beta Kappa (Harvard College)
1998: Ernest Coleman Award for Scholarship and Citizenship (Stanford Linear Accelerator Center)

Grants and Funding (current & past 5 Years)

2019: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Health Co-benefits of Climate Change Mitigation (co-PI)
2018: Russell Sage Foundation: Measuring Local Economic Activity Using Neural Networks Trained on Satellite Imagery (co-I)

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2017: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations Phase II: “Mobile Money, Schooling and the Poor” (co-PI)
2016: Inter-American Development Bank (IADB): “Climate Resilience of Financial Institutions” (co-PI)
2015: Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation Grand Challenges Explorations Round 14 (co-PI)
2014, 2015: Frontiers of Innovation Scholars Grant Recipient (x3)
2014: Qualcomm CSRO Grant Recipient
2014: Hellman Grant Recipient

Selected Invited Presentations (scheduled & recent)

[European Geophysical Union talks (x2) cancelled due to COVID-19 pandemic]
Physics Department Colloquium Lecture, LMU Munich (01/2020)
UC Environmental Economics Seminar (12/2019)
UC San Diego Environmental Economics Seminar Speaker (04/2019)
Scripps Institution of Oceanography CASPO Seminar Speaker (03/2019)
NASA AMES Invited Seminar Speaker, Aerosol impacts, Mountain View CA (02/2019)
American Geophysical Union Fall Meeting Invited Presenter, Air pollution impacts in India and Conducting interdisciplinary research, Washington DC (12/2018)
Invited Seminar Speaker (w/ Craig McIntosh), Inter-American Development Bank, Washington D.C. (10/2018)
UCLA Geography Department, Invited Speaker (05/2018)
CEGA Research Retreat, Berkeley CA, Invited Speaker (10/2017)
UNICAMP Brazil Invited Seminar Speaker, Campinas, Brazil (09/2017)
CEGA Geospatial Analytics for International Development, Berkeley CA, Invited Speaker (09/2017)
2nd International Solar Fuels Conference, Invited Keynote Speaker, San Diego CA (07/2017)
Energy Policy Institute at Chicago (EPIC) Invited Seminar Speaker, University of Chicago (06/2017)
UC San Diego Deep Decarbonization Seminar Speaker (02/2017)
UC San Diego Ledden Memorial Lecture Series, Invited Speaker (01/2017)
Harvard University Center for the Environment, Invited Speaker (11/2016)
Chapman University Science Forum, Invited Speaker (04/2016)
UC Center in Sacramento, Invited Speaker (02/2016)
Aiddata Workshop, Invited Speaker, Duke University, Durham NC (02/2016)
UC Berkeley Environment and Resources Group (ERG) Colloquium, Invited Speaker, Berkeley CA (01/2016)
UC San Diego Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Seminar, Invited Talk (06/2015)
IPCC Expert Meeting on Climate, Food, and Agriculture, Invited Speaker, Dublin, Ireland (05/2015)
US-Iran National Academies Symposium on Climate Change, Invited Speaker, Irvine CA (03/2015)
Stanford Earth System Science Department Colloquium, Invited Speaker, Stanford CA (03/2015)
Kavli Frontiers of Science Symposium, Invited speaker, Tokyo, Japan (12/2014)
Policy Design and Evaluation Laboratory (PDEL) Public Seminar (12/2014)
5th International Conference on Deserts, Drylands & Desertification, Invited Keynote, Sdeh Boker, Israel (11/2014)
Our Energy Future lecture series, invited lecture recorded for MOOC, UC San Diego, San Diego CA (10/2013)
“Recent Air Pollution Impacts on Indian Agriculture” invited presentation, India California Air Pollution Mitigation Program (ICAMP) workshop, Oakland CA (10/2013)
Air Quality and Climate Impacts: Towards a methodology for stress-testing metrics” Invited workshop participant, University College London and Institute for Advanced Sustainability Studies, London UK (09/2013)
“Can land-sparing mitigate climate change?” Invited workshop participant, Conservation Science Group, University of Cambridge, Cambridge UK (09/2013)
Workshop on Health, Agricultural and Water Risks Associated with Air Quality and Climate in Asia, Invited Keynote Speaker, National Center for Atmospheric Research (NCAR), Boulder CO (07/2013)
Global Food Policy and Food Security Symposium, Invited Discussant, Stanford University, Stanford CA (05/2013)
UC San Diego Center for Global Justice, Forum on Energy and Climate Justice, Invited Speaker (04/2013)
United Nations Environment Programme Atmospheric Brown Clouds (ABC) International Science Team meeting, invited lecture, Beijing China (09/2012)

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Current / Recent Service

[On Sabbatical / Change of Work Location AY 2019-2020 in Lyon, France]


UC System
- Reviewer for UC President’s Postdoctoral Fellowship Program Applications (2012-present)

UC San Diego
- Chancellor’s Advisory Committee on Gender Identity and Sexual Orientation Issues (January 2012-2019, Faculty chair August 2015-August 2017)
- Faculty Equity Adviser (March 2014-September 2017)
- Understanding and Protecting the Planet: Faculty Search Committee (2015-2016), Advisory Board (2019-present)

School of Global Policy and Strategy
- Infrastructure Committee (January 2012-present), Status of Women Committee (2013-present), Deans Fellows Selection Committee (2013-present), Queer Student Group Faculty Mentor (2013-present)
- Faculty Search Committee Chair, Jacobs Endowed Chair in Science, Technology, Policy (2018-2019)

Current / Recent University Teaching

IRCO 454: Quantitative Methods II, Core Requirement – Winter Quarter (2013 – 2018)

Coming Fall 2020: Modeling Environmental Systems
Faculty Director, GPS Science Policy Fellows Program (2014 – present)
(List of postdocs, students available upon request or on research group website.)

Other

UC San Diego Policy Design and Evaluation Laboratory (PDEL) Faculty Affiliate (2014-present)
Center for Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation (CCCIA) Faculty Affiliate (2018-present)
UC San Diego Center for Energy Research (CER) Faculty Affiliate (2015-present)
Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Faculty Affiliate (2016-present)

National Geographic Explorer (2011-present)
Aspen Global Change Institute (AGCI) Member, Board of Directors (2019-present)
DNC Environmental and Climate Crisis Council Scientific Advisor (2020)
Member: American Geophysical Union, American Physical Society
Languages: Near-fluent French and Spanish, intermediate Hebrew

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CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS  
Associate Professor of Economics, Williams College, 2020 – present  
JPAL Affiliate, 2019 – present  
Research Affiliate, South African Labour Development Research Unit (SALDRU) at the University of Cape Town, 2012 – present

PAST PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS  
Assistant Professor of Economics, Williams College, 2014 – 2020  
Non-resident Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (MTID), 2014-2018  
Research Affiliate, Environment for Development Tanzania (EfDT), 2016 –  
Associate Research Fellow, International Food Policy Research Institute (MTID), 2013 –2014  
Lecturer, University of Cape Town, 2005 – 2006

EDUCATION  
2013   Ph.D. Economics and Public Policy, University of Michigan  
2008   M.A. Economics, University of Cape Town  
2003   B.Com. (Hons) Economics with finance specialization, University of Cape Town  
2003   B.Com. Econometric Analysis, University of Stellenbosch

ECONOMICS PUBLICATIONS

Africa Gender Policy Brief, 22-09-30  
Project Overview.  


IFPRI project note (December 2019)

IFPRI Research Blog (February 2016).  
International Policy Center for Inclusive Growth (IPC – IG) One Pager (July 2016).  
IFPRI Project Note (in English), In French. (April 2017).

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Preprint version available here: [https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/toc/edcc/0/ja?mobileUi=0](https://www.journals.uchicago.edu/toc/edcc/0/ja?mobileUi=0)

IFPRI Research Blog (March 2018).


JPAL Policy brief


JPAL Policy brief
3ie Impact Evaluation Report
IPA Blog (December 2015).
3ie Evidence Matters Blog (December 2014).


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PUBLIC HEALTH/ INTERDISCIPLINARY PUBLICATIONS

Medical Male Circumcision: How does price affect the risk-profile of take-up?, Preventive Medicine, 2016, Nov; 92:68-73. (with Rebecca Thornton).


Behavioral Economics in Reproductive Health Initiative Blog (September 2014).


WORKING PAPERS


Agricultural Support Services in Malawi: Direct Effects, Complementarities and Time Dynamics, (with Kate Ambler and Alan de Brauw). Submitted.


Employee Crime and Monitoring.

Antiretroviral Therapy and HIV Testing, (with Edward Okeke).


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SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS
Small Mechanisation Impact Stimuli in Ethiopia (with Mesay Gebresilasse and Moti Jaleta), *fieldwork ongoing*.

The value of value chains: An Experiment linking Farmers’ Cooperatives with a Maize Processor in Rwanda, (with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jon Robinson, and Alan Spearot), *fieldwork ongoing*.

Complementarities Between Agro-Climate Advisory Services and Input Facilitation Using Hybrid Bundled Services, *pilot ongoing*.

EXTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS


2020 – 2024  BASIS Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk and Resilience. The value of value chains: An Experiment linking Farmers’ Cooperatives with a Maize Processor in Rwanda. (with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jon Robinson, and Alan Spearot), $410,000. (Supplemental Funds: $70,000)

2020 – 2021  JPAL Agricultural Technology Adoption Initiative, RCT grant. The Value of Value Chains: An Experiment linking Farmers’ Cooperatives with a Maize Processor in Rwanda. (with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jon Robinson, and Alan Spearot), $342,032.

2019 – 2020  JPAL DigiFI Africa initiative, Proposal Development Grant. Digital Input Value Chains and Farmer Credit: A proposal in collaboration with the Rwandan Agricultural Board (with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jon Robinson, and Alan Spearot), $10,000.

2019 – 2020  JPAL Agricultural Technology Adoption Initiative, Pilot study grant. Quantifying the Effect of Increased Output Prices on Input Usage: An Experiment with Rwanda’s Smart Subsidy System (with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jon Robison, and Alan Spearot), $49,908.

2018– 2020  REALM, Constructing Migration Histories Data from Sudan (with Osman Nour and Caroline Theoharides), $25,047.

2018  SEED Global Health Evaluation (with Ernest Falinya, Joy Karim CDE ’17, and Venancio Mzonda CDE ’15), $74,316.

2016– 2020  REALM, Norms Transmission through Migration (with Caroline Theoharides), $155,009 (Original grant: $152,974, Supplement with extension: $2,035).
2016– 2018  Environment for Development Initiative, Using Behavioural Interventions to improve Water Supply in Rural and Urban Tanzanian Households (with Byela Tibesigwa and Razack Lokina), 2016-2018, 539,600 SEK.


2014– 2017  DFID. Making Family Farmers More Productive: Evaluating the Brazilian model in Senegal and Malawi (Total grant $3,000,000, PI: Maximo Torero; expansion grant with Kate Ambler and Alan de Brauw, 2014 – 2017, BPS 700,000).

2014  Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab Africa Post Primary Education and Youth Initiatives Pilot Funding Dreaming too big? Reservation wages and the return to experience in South Africa, (with Jessica Goldberg), $9,935.


2012  Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab Africa Youth Initiative Pilot Funding Cash Grants and Young Men in South Africa (with Rebecca Thornton, David Lam, and Brendan Maugham-Brown), $10,000.

2010– 2012  International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), Scaling up Male Circumcision Service Provision (PI: Rebecca Thornton), $320,000.

INTERNAL RESEARCH GRANTS

• Class of 1957 Summer Research Grant, Williams College, 2016 (x2), 2021 and 2022 (x2).
• MITRE Faculty Research and Professional Development Program, Resolution of Uncertainty through Testing: Pregnancy Tests and Adolescent Reproductive Health (with Rebecca Thornton), 2013.
• Institute for Research on Women and Gender Research Grant, University of Michigan, Unemployed Youth Cash Grants: South Africa (with Rebecca Thornton, and David Lam), 2011.
• Population Studies Center (University of Michigan) Ronald and Deborah Freedman fund, Unemployed Youth Cash Grants: South Africa (with Susan Godlonton, and David Lam), 2011.
• Yossi Schiff Award, Employment Risk and Job-Seeker Performance, 2011.
• African Studies Center Grant, Employment Risk and Job-Seeker Performance, 2011.
• Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, Employment Risk and Job-Seeker Performance, 2011.
• Weinberg International Research Award, Employee Crime and Monitoring, 2010.
• African Studies Center Grant, Employee Crime and Monitoring, 2010.
• Rackham International Research Award, Employee Crime and Monitoring, 2009.
• Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant, Employee Crime and Monitoring, 2009.

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (including scheduled)

2024  Skidmore College, SEHO Singapore
2023  University of Michigan, LACD-DEV (discussant), ASSA Conference (discussant)

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2021: *LAC-Labor (discussant)*, SUNY Binghamton

2020: FAO ES Seminar (virtual)

*(Covid: cancelled):* Wesleyan College, Cornell University, REALM Conference (Columbia)

2019: NYU-Abu Dhabi REALM Conference, IPA 4th Researcher Gathering on Financial Inclusion and Social Protection, 3rd Annual Conference of the Society of Economics of the Household, NEEW Workshop, 22nd North East Universities Development Consortium (Northwestern University), 7th Liberal Arts Colleges Development Conference (Colby College), Hamilton College, Vassar College

2018: OECD International Forum for Migration Statistics, IFPRI Malawi, Revalorizing Extension: Evidence and Practice Workshop held at University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, University of Cape Town, Economics Department, University of Stellenbosch, Economics Department, NYU Abu Dhabi Research Conference

2017: REALM Conference NYU Abu Dhabi (x2), 5th Liberal Arts Colleges Development Conference (Hamilton College), 11th Environment for Development Annual Meeting (Ethiopia), 20th North East Universities Development Consortium (Tufts University), University of Illinois Urbana Champaign, Economics Department

2016: ASSA Econometrics Society Meetings, Williams College CDE Conference, National Smallholder Farmer Association of Malawi, IFPRI Rise Research Day

2015: Wake Forest University, Population Association Meetings of America (*discussant*), Smith College, Williams College, Economics Association of Malawi Annual Meetings (*plenary*), National Smallholder Farmer Association of Malawi

2014: 2nd Liberal Arts Colleges Development Conference (Colgate) (*discussant*), International AIDS Conference (Australia), 9th IZA/WB Employment and Development Conference (Peru), International Food Policy Research Institute, Population Association Meetings of America (*poster*), Pacific Development Conference (UCLA), American Economic Association Meetings (*discussant*)

2013: IFPRI, University of Notre Dame, Mathematica, Williams College Economics Department, University of Connecticut, Center for Global Development, World Bank Research Group, University of Rochester, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, London School of Economics, Population Association Meetings of America, Lilongwe District Health Office, Williams College (Center for Development Economics)

2012: University of Cape Town – South African Labor Development Research Unit, CSAE conference (Oxford), Midwest Economic Development Conference (Minneapolis); University of Michigan Ford School Gramlich Showcase (*poster*), Population Association Meetings of America (*chair*); IZA/World Bank Employment and Development (Dehli)

TEACHING
Principal Instructor


REFEREE SERVICE

Economics (alphabetical)

Excellence in Refereeing Award, World Bank Economic Review, 2020

Public Health/ Interdisciplinary (alphabetical)
African Journal of Aids Research; Aids and Behavior; Australasian Medical Journal; BMJ: Global Health; Environmental Science; Forum for Health Economics and Policy; PlosOne; Preventive Medicine; Nature; Social Science and Medicine; Studies in Family Planning.

Proposal reviews
AGRODEP; JPAL ATAI Proposals; JPAL DigiFI Proposals; JPAL King Climate Action Initiative; National Science Foundation; JPAL Gender and Economic Agency Initiative; JPAL Jobs and Opportunity initiative; Strategic Panel of Impact Assessment; and Swiss National Science Foundation.

WILLIAMS STUDENT RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (since 2014)

International field site (4-8 weeks full time)
Burkina Faso: Sam Lewis
Malawi: Kathy Bi, Shadman Rahman, Stephanie Cedillo, Naomi Medina-Jaudes, Sean Ninsing, Roxanne Corbeil, Daniel Jordan Alvarez, and Huy Nguyen
Philippines: Mie Mizutani
South Africa: Jason Liu
Tanzania: Serapia Kim, and Theophyl Kwapong

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Summer (8 to 10-week full time)

Academic year (variable intensity and duration)

STUDENT THESIS ADVISING AND INDEPENDENT STUDIES
2024 (Spring) Thesis advisor for Emily Du
2023 (Spring) Thesis advisor for Jennifer Hernandez
2022 – 2023 Thesis advisor for Bashudha Dhamala
2021 – 2023 MMUF/ADRF Fellowship Mentor for Bashudha Dhamala
2021 (Fall) Independent Study with Bashudha Dhamala
2021 (Summer) Environmental Fellowship Mentor for Nashe Gumbo
2021 (Spring) 2nd Reader of Thesis for Benjamin Delgado
2020 (Fall) Independent Study with Peter Le
2020 (Summer) Fellowship advisor for Zia Saylor’s Solow Fellowship
2020 (Spring) Independent Study with Zia Saylor
2020 (Spring) Independent Study with Melinda Kan-Dapaah
2019 (Fall) Independent Study with Theophyl Kwapong
2019 (Spring) Independent Study cross-listed with Arabic Studies, joint with Brahim El Guabli: Roxanne Corbeil, Deepak Indrakanti
2016 (Spring) 2nd Reader of Thesis for Julia Diaz

DEPARTMENT SERVICE
2023 – DEI Committee
2023 Student Outreach Coordinators (Spring)
2021 – 2022 DEI Committee
2016 to 2021 CDE Committee (incl. department internal review committee 2016-2017)
2019 Undergraduate Curriculum Committee
2019 Bolin Hiring Committee in Economics

COLLEGE SERVICE
2023 – 2025 Public Health Program Chair
2023 – Benefits Committee
2023 – Committee on Academic Standing
2014 – Public Health Concentration Advisory Committee (incl. student sub-committee of
2019 – 2021  Committee on Admissions and Financial Aid
2016 – 2017  Committee on Priorities and Resources
2015 – 2016  Information Technology Committee

EXTERNAL SERVICE
2024   South African National Research Foundation, Researcher Ratings Assessor
2023, 2024  Selection Committee Member of Francis Wilson Memorial Prize for Data-driven research
2020 – 2026  Member of J-PAL Invited Researcher Selection Committee (IRSC)
2023, 2024  10th and 11th LacDev Scientific Committee
2018 –    NEUDC Scientific Committee
2022   PhD External Examiner (University of Cape Town, South Africa)
2022   PhD External Examiner (University of Ottawa, Canada)
2021   South African National Research Foundation, Researcher Ratings Assessor
2021   PhD External Examiner (University of Stellenbosch, South Africa)
2018   South African National Research Foundation, Researcher Ratings Assessor
2018   PhD External Examiner (University of Zululand, South Africa)
2018   Masters External Examiner (University of Zululand, South Africa) x2
2018   Masters External Examiner (University of Cape Town, South Africa)
2016   PhD External Examiner (University of Stellenbosch, South Africa)

OTHER SERVICE
2023-2024   IMMANA Fellowship Mentor
2023   BMGF/CGIAR/SPIA Impact Assessment in the CG Centers Convening Meeting
2022   CGIAR/SPIA Matchmaking Workshop, Cali, Colombia
2022-2024   J-PAL JOI Project Mentor
2019, 2021, 2023  Instructor, J-PAL Executive Education Course, Cape Town, South Africa
2020 – 2021  Online Volunteer Tutor, IkamvaYouth, NGO, South Africa
2018   Visitor, Ministry of Finance and Economic Development and Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation unit (Malawi), February – May
2016   IFPRI AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Matchmaking event (DC)
2015   IFPRI RA Workshop on Survey Design
2013 – 2017  IFPRI AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Network co-coordinator
2013 – 2015   External project advisor for 3ie
2014   3ie HIV Self-Testing Matchmaking Event (Nairobi)
2013, 2014  IFPRI AGRODEP Impact Evaluation Network Training course (Dakar)
2013   J-PAL Africa Executive Education course (Cape Town)
2013   3ie and Gates Foundation Southern and Eastern Africa Regional Meeting on Demand Creation for Male Circumcision (Lusaka)
2012   3ie Policy and Communications Workshop (Rome)
2010   Gates Foundation Male Circumcision Evaluation Workshop with Policy Makers and Implementers from 6 Sub-Saharan African countries (Johannesburg)
2008 – 2009   Informal development seminar co-coordinator
2007 – 2008   First year seminar co-coordinator
2006 – 2013  Board Member, IkamvaYouth, NGO, Khayelitsha, South Africa
2004 – 2006   Co-Director, IkamvaYouth, NGO, Khayelitsha, South Africa

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OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE
2006 – 2013 Research Assistant, Rebecca Thornton, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI
2008 – 2009 Research Assistant, David Lam, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor MI
2004 – 2006 Research Assistant, Malcolm Keswell, University of Cape Town, South Africa
2005 – 2006 Research Assistant, Martin Wittenberg, University of Cape Town, South Africa
2005 Research Assistant, Justine Burns, University of Cape Town, South Africa

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS
American Economic Association (AEA)
Economics Association of Malawi

NATIONALITY
South African Citizen.
US Permanent Resident.
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2018- Professor of Development Economics, The Fletcher School and Economics Department, Tufts University, Medford, MA.

2020- Senior Researcher, Wageningen University and Research, Wageningen, The Netherlands

2015-2018 Associate Professor of Development Economics, Tufts University, Medford, MA.

2016 Senior Research Fellow, Markets, Trade and Institutions Division (MTID), International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Washington, DC.

2009-2015 Assistant Professor of Development Economics, Tufts University, Medford, MA.

2008-2009 Post-Doctoral Fellow, Center for Global Development. Washington, DC.


2000-2003 Deputy Regional Director for West and Central Africa, Catholic Relief Services West and Central Africa Regional Office, Ghana.


1997-1998 Fulbright Scholar, Institut Agronomique et Vétérinaire, Université de Hassan-II, Rabat, Morocco.

EDUCATION

University of California-Berkeley
Ph.D. in Agricultural and Resource Economics (2008)
M.S. in Agricultural and Resource Economics (2005)
Fields: Development Economics, Applied Econometrics

Fletcher School, Tufts University
MALD in Development Economics and International Law

Duke University
A.B. (magna cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa)

EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES


OTHER AFFILIATIONS

2020- Co-Chair, Digital Identification and Finance Initiative (DigiFI) in Africa, J-PAL, MIT

2020- Research Fellow, Wageningen University and Research, Wageningen, the Netherlands

2019- Affiliate, Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD)
JENNY C. AKER

2018- Co-Chair on Digital Trust, Fondation pour les Études et Recherches sur le Développement International (FERDI), Clermont-Ferrand, France

2016- Director, Fletcher Leadership Program in Financial Inclusion, The Fletcher School, Tufts University

2017- Co-Director, Center for International Environmental Research and Policy (CIERP), The Fletcher School, Tufts University

2016- Affiliate, Jameel Abdul Latif Policy Action Lab (J-PAL), Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

2016- Research Affiliate, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA)

2016-2018 International Guest Professor, Georg-August Universität Göttingen, Göttingen, Germany.

2013-2022 Deputy Director, The Hitachi Center, The Fletcher School, Tufts University

2013-2017 Board Member, CDA Collaborative Learning Projects

2011- Affiliate, Agricultural Technology Adoption Initiative (ATAI).

2009- Non-Resident Fellow, Center for Global Development, Washington, D.C.

2009-2015 Visiting Professor, Centre d’Études et de Recherches sur le Développement International (CERDI), Université d’Auvergne, Clermont-Ferrand, France.

PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS (REVERSE CHRONOLOGICAL ORDER)


JENNY C. AKER


BOOKS


WORKING PAPERS AND PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

JENNY C. AKER


4. **Aker, Jenny C., Brian Dillon, Leticia Donoso-Pena and Anne Krahn.** 2023. “It’s All Fun and Games? Using WTP Experiments for Longer-Term Impacts.”

5. **Aker, Jenny C. and Josue Awonon.** 2023. “Call me, Maybe? The Impact of Mobile Phones on Teachers’ Behavior in Niger”

6. **Aker, Jenny C., Christopher J. Ksoll, Danielle Miller, Karla Perez and Susan Smalley.** 2023. “Learning without Teachers? A Randomized Experiment of Cell Phone-Based Learning in Los Angeles.” In submission.

**BOOK CHAPTERS**


**POPULAR PRESS, POLICY PAPERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS**


4. **Aker, Jenny C.** July 2020. “Using Mobile Money to Help the Poor in Developing Countries.” *Econofact*.


**GRANTS**

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2015  ATAI Research Grant, PI, 2015-2016
2014  DFID/ESRC Research Grant, PI, 2014-2017
2014  FAO Research Grant, PI, 2014
2013  Hitachi Summer Research Funding 2013, PI
2012  Mastercard Worldwide (Co-PI)
2012  SWIFT Institute Foundation Funding
2010  Hitachi Summer Research Funding, PI
2010  Gates Foundation, co-PI (via Oxford University)
2009  International Growth Centre, co-PI
2008-2009  Fell Fund, Oxford University, co-PI
2008-2009  CITRIS, University of California, co-PI
2008-2009  Blum Center for Poverty Alleviation (UC-Berkeley), co-PI
2008-2010  NBER Africa Project

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2017  Fletcher School Research Prize
2015  Fletcher School Paddock Teaching Award
2009  Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award, Honorable Mention, American Association of Agricultural Economists (AAEA)
2007  Awardee, Advanced Graduate Workshop on Globalization, Poverty and Development, Columbia University and the Brooks World Poverty Institute
2007  Gordon Rausser Scholarship, UC-Berkeley
2006  Ford Foundation
2006  Rocca Dissertation Fellowship, University of California-Berkeley
2005  Recipient of the International Bureau for Economic Research Small Grants Award, University of California-Berkeley
1997/1998  William J. Fulbright Fellowship, Morocco
1997  Edmund A. Gullion Prize for high academic achievement, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
1996/1997  Sasakawa Young Leadership Fellowship, Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University
JENNY C. AKER

INVITED SEMINARS, LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2023: European University Institute, Cornell University, Williams College, University of Washington, University of Goettingen, The World Bank, Tilburg University

2022: NYU-Abu Dhabi, Cornell University, Bentley University, Global Policy Insights, World Bank, FID, European Development Days, IFPRI, Maastricht University, Wageningen University and Research

2021: Oxford University, Wageningen University and Research, ETH-Zurich, European Economic Association (EEA) Annual Meetings, International Conference on Agricultural Economics (ICAE) Annual Conference, BREAD Conference on the Economics of Africa, University of Goettingen, University of Delaware

2020: Northeastern University, Oxford University, Paris School of Economics, University of Goettingen

2019: Oxford University (CSAE), Free University of Amsterdam, University of Gottingen, Wageningen University and Research, University of Michigan

2018: Oxford University (CSAE), University of Gottingen, University of Bristol, College of William and Mary

2017: University of Minnesota, Case Western Reserve University, University of Gottingen, Gates-IMF Conference on "Digital Revolutions in Public Finance", FAO-UNICEF Workshop on Social Protection, NEUDC, STAARS Conference

2016: Trinity College Dublin, University of Gottingen, JPAL-SEA Policy Conference on Social Protection, George Washington University, University of Washington, University of South Carolina, Georgetown University

2015: University of California-Irvine, IFPRI, World Bank, NEUDC, Center for Global Development, International Conference on Agricultural Economics (ICAE)

2014: Stanford University, Carlton University, Center for Global Development, World Bank, Foreign Service Institute, IPA conference

2013: George Washington University, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Center for the Study of African Economics (CSAE, Oxford University), Université d’Auvergne, German Association of Development Economics, Brookings Institution, European Association of Agricultural Economists, Foreign Service Institute

2012: University of California-Berkeley (Agriculture and Resource Economics and Economics), University of Southern California, University of California-Davis, CIMMYT, Stanford University (Freeman Spogli Institute), University of California-Santa Cruz, University of California-Irvine, CSAE (Oxford University), Cornell University, Clark University, Northeastern Universities Development Economics (NEUDC), Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIDC), German Association of Development Economics, University of Gottingen, University of Pennsylvania (Annenberg School)

2011: Tufts University, Conference on Migration and Development (Harvard University), German Association of Development Economics, IZA/World Bank Conference, University of Washington, Boston University, CSAE (Oxford University), Pacific Development Conference (PACDEV), Midwest International Development Conference (MWIDC), International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), University of Gottingen, London School of Economics

2010: Boston College, CSAE (Oxford University), University of California-Berkeley, Université d’Auvergne, Gottingen University, German Association of Development Economics, NEUDC, American Economic Association (AEA) Meetings
JENNY C. AKER

2009: Stanford University, NEUDC, University of Gottingen, Trinity College Dublin, Yale University, Université d’Auvergne, Boston College, World Bank (Development Economics Group), Annual Bank Conference on Development Economics

2008: Université d’Auvergne, NEUDC, BREAD Conference on Development Economics (Brown University), Lehigh University, Oxford University, CSAE (Oxford University), PACDEV, Center for Global Development, Bates College, Williams College, Boston College, Fordham University, Tufts University, University of Virginia, University of Gottingen, University of Delaware.

2007: Stanford University, Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO), Advanced Graduate Workshop on Globalization, Poverty and Development (Columbia University and the Brooks World Poverty Institute), Center for the Study of African Economics Conference (Oxford University), Pacific Development Conference (PACDEV).

REFEREE (alphabetical)


LANGUAGES

Fluent written and spoken French, Intermediate Spanish, Beginning Hausa, Portuguese and Moroccan Arabic

CONSULTANCIES