Call for Papers and Invitation to Training Course  
Sixth Meeting  
IMPACT EVALUATION NETWORK (IEN)  
at Graduate School of Education – Harvard University  
September 19th and 20th, 2012

The IMPACT EVALUATION NETWORK (IEN) at the Latin American and the Caribbean Economic Association (LACEA) is an initiative that aims to advance the state of knowledge and expertise regarding impact evaluation of different policies in the Latin America and the Caribbean region. The Network aims to promote impact evaluation methodologies, increase capacity building, and bridge research and policy in the region.

The sixth annual meeting will be hosted by the Graduate School of Education, Harvard University, taking place on September 19th and 20th, 2012, Cambridge Massachusetts, USA. This year the program will include a short training course and keynote address by Prof. Jeffrey Smith (UMich) on recent methodological developments in program evaluation, as well as a keynote address by Prof. Richard Murnane (Harvard University). Presentation of up to seven papers selected on the basis of academic merit will take place over the course of the meeting.

The Network is seeking papers that use impact evaluation techniques applied to program or policy, with priority given to evaluations in countries in the region. We also welcome methodological papers advancing the state of knowledge of program evaluation techniques. A scientific committee will review submitted papers.

Interested researchers and advanced graduate students are welcome to attend and participate in the meeting and training activities even if they are not presenting papers. The number of participants, however, will be limited, so early registration is encouraged.

**Important Dates**

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Papers (in Word or PDF formats) and any inquiries concerning the meeting should be sent by e-mail to: ien@cedlas.org.

Registration information can be found at: [http://www.depeco.econo.unlp.edu.ar/cedlas/ien/](http://www.depeco.econo.unlp.edu.ar/cedlas/ien/). All participants (including paper presenters and discussants) need to register. All participants not presenting papers need to pay a registration fee of US$40.

Financial aid covering economy tickets and accommodation will be available for paper presenters only.

**Academic Committee for the 2012 meeting:**

*Camacho, Adriana* - Universidad de los Andes  
*Deming, David* – Harvard University  
*Santiago, Ana* – Inter-American Development Bank  
*Soares, Yuri* – Inter-American Development Bank