Accountability and Development  
Friday, April 24, 2015  
University of Michigan  
Michigan League, Hussey Room

This conference explores the relationship between political accountability and the economic development efforts pursued by states and their agents. How do political leaders decide how to allocate scarce resources across diverse communities? What are the political consequences of industrialization and development? How do voters hold their leaders accountable?

CONFERENCE AGENDA
9–9:10  WELCOME

9:10–10:20  PANEL: IDENTITY AND VOTING
Kimuli Kasara (Columbia), When Does Political Violence Motivate Voters?: Violence and Turnout Inequality in Africa
Nahomi Ichino (Michigan), Looking Over the Fence: Local Ethnic Geography and Electoral Behavior in Uganda
Discussant: Mark Tessler (Michigan)

10:30–12:00  PANEL: DEVELOPMENT AND ITS CONSEQUENCES
Jonathan Rodden (Stanford), The Long Shadow of the Industrial Revolution: Political Geography and the Representation of the Left
Rikhil Bhavnani (Wisconsin), Politics, Government-Controlled Media, and Women’s Fertility Preferences: Evidence from India
Brian Min (Michigan), Electrifying the Poor
Discussant: Ken Kollman (Michigan)

1:30–3:00  PANEL: CORRUPTION AND TRANSPARENCY
Philip Keefer (Inter-American Development Bank), Incumbent Advantage, Voter Information and Vote Buying
Miriam Golden (UCLA), Bad Government: Indian Materials
Ana De La O (Yale), The Effect of Federal and State Audits on Municipal Accountability: Evidence from a Randomized Experiment
Discussant: Dean Yang (Michigan)

3:00–5:00  RECEPTION AND GRADUATE POSTER SESSION

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