



Third Annual Birdsall House Conference on Women

“Reproductive Choices to Life Chances: The Links between Contraception and Women’s Economic Empowerment”
Thursday, December 7, 2017

- 9:30am:** Breakfast
- 10:00am-10:10am:** **Welcome and Introduction**
Masood Ahmed, Center for Global Development
- 10:10am-10:25am:** **Framing Remarks**
Amanda Glassman, Center for Global Development
- 10:25am-11:10am:** **Talk:** Access and Use of Contraception and Its Effects on Women’s Outcomes in the United States
Jason M. Lindo, Texas A&M University
- 11:10am-11:40am:** **Keynote Address**
Marie-Claude Bibeau, Canada’s Minister of International Development and La Francophonie
- 11:40am-11:55am:** Coffee Break
- 11:55am-12:40pm:** **Talk:** Empirical Evidence on the Links Between Contraception and Women’s Choices in Low- and Middle-Income Countries: New Empirical Evidence from Colombia and Malaysia
Grant Miller, Stanford University
Nurith Aizenman, NPR (moderator)
- 12:40pm-1:40pm:** Lunch
- 1:40pm-2:50pm:** **Panel 1:** Empirical Evidence on the Links Between Contraception and Women’s Choices in Low- and Middle-Income Countries
Lifecycle Fertility and the Impact of Family Planning Programs: Evidence from Southern Africa. Nikhil Gupta, Cornerstone Research / Ishita Rajani, Analysis Group
The Effects of Education and Family Planning Programs on Fertility in Indonesia. Thomas Mroz, Georgia State University
The Effect of Reproductive Health Improvements on Women’s Economic Empowerment. Jocelyn Finlay, Harvard University
Contraception, Girls’ Education, and Formal Labor Force Participation: Diffusion and Associations from Cross-Country DHS Data. Rachel Silverman, Center for Global Development
Markus Goldstein, World Bank (Moderator)



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2:50pm-3:20pm: Afternoon Remarks

*Rachel Glennerster, Executive Director of the Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab
(incoming Chief Economist, UK Department for International Development)*

3:20pm-3:50pm: Talk: How Contraception Changes Women’s Choices

Nancy Birdsall, Center for Global Development

3:50pm-4:05pm: Coffee Break

4:05pm-4:20pm: Keynote Address: Connecting the Evidence to the Girl Child

Her Excellency Dr. Joyce Banda

4:20pm-5:20pm: Panel 2: So What? Policy and Funding Implications

Julia Bunting, Population Council

Beth Schlachter, FP2020

Monique Vledder, Global Financing Facility

Lois Quam, Pathfinder International

Amanda Glassman, Center for Global Development (Moderator)

5:20pm-5:30pm: Concluding Remarks

Amanda Glassman, Center for Global Development

5:30 pm: Reception