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### **DDRN After Work Seminar Series Spring 2015**

Danish Development Research Network (DDRN) hereby invites researchers, students, aid practitioners, private sector representatives, consultants and other stakeholders to participate in three after work seminars this spring. Each seminar will present a newly launched development research project for an early discussion on problem analysis, research design and expected results.

#### **Seminar 3:**

**“Innovation and Renewable Electrification in Kenya (IREK)” – a DANIDA-funded research project by the Global Network for Economics of Learning, Innovation, and Competence Building Systems (Globelics).**

**Speaker:** Rasmus Lema, Associate Professor, Department of Business and Management, Aalborg University.

**Date:** Tuesday 23 June 2015, 16.00-17.30

**Venue:** Aalborg University, Copenhagen Campus (Sydhavnen), Frederikskaj 10A, Room 4.133 (4. floor), 2450 Copenhagen SV.

Please register to [sofra@dtu.dk](mailto:sofra@dtu.dk) by Monday 22 June 2015.

#### **Description:**

##### **Globelics**

Globelics is a worldwide, open and diverse community of scholars working on innovation and competence building in the context of economic development. The major purpose of the organisation is to contribute to academic knowledge creation and exchange in the field of innovation and development. The network brings together scholars who study innovation and economic development and encompasses scholars from all Continents and from different academic disciplines. Globelics constitutes a platform for North-South and South-South interactive learning. The network's primary objective is to stimulate and raise the quality of research on innovation and development world-wide. A specific priority is to help build research capacity in Africa and other regions and to contribute to knowledge infrastructure in those regions. Another priority is to give young scholars from developing countries access to global research resource. The secretariat is located at the department of business and management at Aalborg University.



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### **Innovation and Renewable Electrification in Kenya (IREK)**

As the global climate change regime moves ahead towards 2020, there will be increasing investments related to climate change mitigation and adaptation in poor countries. Ensuring that the most adequate technologies are selected and that they are diffused and used in such a way that the outcome is better living conditions for the population is a major challenge.

This project studies two specific low-carbon technologies solar photovoltaic and wind power and it takes as its starting point the role international sources of knowledge can play for Kenya. It will explore whether or not actors originating from China have the potential to provide particularly relevant low carbon technologies that bring benefits to the poor in Africa as compared to actors

from Denmark and Germany. As the next step it will study what kind of public policies, institutional settings and participatory organizational forms are necessary to realize such a potential and thereby contribute to fulfilling the sustainable energy for all imperative. The project will combine quantitative analysis including use of survey data with qualitative analysis and case studies. Interactive learning with policy makers and other stakeholders is an integral part of the project design.

Source: <http://drp.dfcentre.com/project/innovation-and-renewable-electrification-kenya-irek>