

Affordable Housing and Land in Latin America

Learning globally from local best practices in pursuit of Equitable Economic Growth

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BACKGROUND

The unfolding COVID-19 pandemic and its geography within city regions have brought attention to the socio-economic cracks of current urbanization patterns. Poor neighborhoods and dense informal settlements are disproportionately at risk of becoming contamination vectors. With the health crisis, the fundamentals of cities are again back on the discussion tables: What cities do we want? How best to achieve them?

Urban Local Governments are one of the most essential actors to initiate and sustain change in the urban environment. However, the resources and institutional structure of local governments differ greatly between regions and cultures and more insights

are needed for understanding contextual factors that explain successful local practices.

An ongoing collaboration project investigates the relationship between improved access to urbanity and more equitable and sustainable urban development.

- What can be learned from promising housing and slum upgrading projects in Latin America?
- Can local best practices be translated between global regions?
- How can interested academics and practitioners get involved to improve current transnational learning experiences?

THIS SEMINAR

This seminar presents two promising case studies of slum upgrading in Latin America. By reviewing the positive and lasting impacts of these projects, we continue to systematize global evidence on the role that the delivery of public goods and services (PG&S) has for Equitable Economic Growth. This research seeks to derive global lessons from local practices about the governance, resources and interlinkages required to make more equitable and sustainable cities.

In particular, we hope to:

1. Present an overview of PG&S provision related to Equitable Economic Growth as promoted by international organizations,

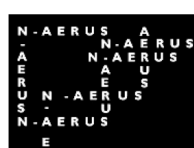
2. Provide in-depth reflections on two housing programs in Latin America that prioritize strategic delivery of PG&S, and

3. Highlight the challenges of trans-national learning and how to systematize good practices.

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