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Otago Global Health Institute (OGHI) fosters partnerships to help solve global health problems.

The 2017 Otago Global Health Institute 10th Annual Conference is on 15-16 November at the Dunedin Public Art Gallery, Dunedin.

- Online registrations are now open on the conference website below.
- We invite submissions from interested parties on any subject related to global health in low-resource areas.
- Student submissions are most welcome for either an oral presentation or a poster. There will be two student prize vouchers valued at \$75 each.
- More details regarding abstract criteria are available on the conference website
- An optional conference dinner will be held on Wednesday 15 November at Parcels Restaurant, the Distinction Dunedin Hotel. Please book for the dinner when registering for the conference.
- After a highly successful conference last year, the Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases New Zealand (ASID NZ) annual meeting will take place in Dunedin again on 16-18 November 2017, alongside the Otago Global Health Institute's annual conference. OGHI members are invited to attend the ASID NZ meeting at their members' rate.
- Accommodation in Dunedin over the time of both conferences is limited. We encourage you to book your accommodation early. The Distinction Dunedin Hotel offers accommodation at reduced rates for those attending the OGHI and ASID NZ meeting. Accommodation at the Distinction Dunedin Hotel and accommodation options available through the conference website.

For further information about the conference, please visit www.otago.ac.nz/oghiconference

To help us improve the content of our newsletter, and the OGHI please email any suggestions, feedback and comments to Fiona at globalhealth@otago.ac.nz

Your input will be greatly appreciated!

2017 William Evans Visiting Fellow and McAuley Orator



We are delighted Professor Mark McGillivray will join us as this year's OGHI annual conference as the keynote speaker and 2017 William Evans Visiting Fellow. Mark McGillivray is Research Professor in International Development at the Alfred Deakin Research Institute of Deakin University. His previous positions include Chief Economist of the Australian Agency for International Development, and Deputy Director of the World Institute for Development Economics Research of the United Nations University.

Professor McGillivray is also an Inaugural Fellow of the Human Development and Capability Association. His main research interests are the allocation and effectiveness of foreign aid, and measuring achieved human wellbeing. He has written extensively on the causes of inequalities in health outcomes in developing countries.

On Thursday 16 November at 7pm, Prof McGillivray will also present the McAuley Oration "Which developing countries are better at converting economic growth into better health and why?"

This is the bridging lecture between the OGHI conference and the ASID NZ meeting.

Co-Director Profile Professor David Fielding



Professor Fielding is the Donald Reid Chair of Economics at the University of Otago. He came to Otago in 2004, having previously worked in the economics departments at Leicester University and Nottingham University, and in the Centre for the Study of African Economies at Oxford.

His main research interests are in the economics of international development. Some of his current research projects address the following questions:

- What factors affect the degree of connectedness between local markets? How is to do with distance and transportation costs, and how much is to do with ethnic, religious or political differences? If markets are better connected then the economy as a whole is more likely to withstand external shocks, and individual suppliers are less likely to be able to exert monopoly power.
- What factors affect parental decisions about how to allocate their children's time between work, play and education? When the mother or father is ill, how much more do the daughters and sons have to work, and how much does this affect their education?
- What explains the differences in New Zealanders' attitudes towards foreign aid and in their willingness to give money to international development charities? How entrenched are these attitudes?

Professor Fielding is also Deputy Dean of the Otago Business School and the Economics representative on the Board of Studies for the BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics.