

EGAP 31: Duke University

May 14-16, 2026

PRE-EVENT (Optional)

Does Development Evidence Travel? Regional Reflections on Governance & Policy

Thursday, May 14, 2026	
1:00-1:30pm	<i>Arrival</i>
1:30-1:45pm	Introduction
1:45-3:00pm	Panel 1: Major Challenges in Development (Next Decade) <i>Panelists: Natalia Bueno (Emory University), Eddy Malesky (Duke University), Melina Platas (New York University Abu Dhabi). Discussants: Annette Brown (Formerly FHI 360), Dan Posner (University of California, Los Angeles).</i>
3:00-3:30pm	<i>Break</i>
3:30-4:45pm	Panel 2: Lessons from EGAP Interventions <i>Panelists: Dotan Haim (Florida State University), Lucy Martin (University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill), Santiago Tobón (Universidad EAFIT). Discussants: Morgan Holmes (World Bank), Cyrus Samii (NYU).</i>
4:45-6:00pm	Panel 3 – Navigating the New Development Landscape <i>Panelists: Alessandra L. González (Duke University), Santiago Lopez-Cariboni (Universidad de la República), Eric Mvukiyehe (Duke University). Discussants: Bret Barrowman (EIRP), Susan Hyde (University of California, Berkeley)</i>
6:00-8:00pm	<i>Reception</i>

DAY ONE

Friday, May 15, 2026	
8:30-9:00am	<i>Coffee and networking</i>
9:00-9:30am	Welcome and introductory remarks
9:30-10:30am	Structured Networking
10:30-11:00am	<i>Break</i>
11:00am-12:00pm	Parallel Feedback Session 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 1a (Climate Governance): "Reforestation led by Women's Groups: A Randomized Field Experiment in Himchal Pradesh" Eric Coleman, Florida State University. • Session 1b (Open): "The Fiscal Contract up Close: Experimental Evidence from Mexico City" Francisco Garfias, Duke University.
12:00-1:30pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30-2:30pm	Parallel Feedback Session 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 2a (Climate Governance): "Tropical Forest Conservation and Labour Markets Evidence from Sierra Leone" Maarten Voors, Wageningen University. • Session 2b (Open): "Decentralization with Guardrails: Field Experimental Reforms to the Zambian Constituency Development Fund" Jeremy Bowles, University College London.
2:30-3:00pm	<i>Break</i>
3:00-4:00pm	Parallel Feedback Session 3 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 3a (Climate Governance): "Political Incentives and Environmental Regulation" Gemma Dipoppa, Columbia University. • Session 3b (Open): "Between enforcement and forbearance: sustaining compliance through deferred debt enforcement" Santiago López-Cariboni, Universidad de la República.
4:00-6:00pm	Group Activity – Duke Gardens
6:00-8:00pm	<i>Group Dinner</i>

DAY TWO

Saturday, May 16, 2026	
9:00-9:30am	<i>Coffee and networking</i>
9:30-10:30am	Parallel Feedback Session 4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 4a (Climate Governance): "Targeting Payment for Ecosystem Services in Liberia (TIES)" Cyrus Samii, New York University & Alexandra Hartman, University College London. • Session 4b (Open): "A Method for Measuring Anticipated Harms and Benefits from Experimental Treatments" Tara Slough, New York University.
10:30-11:00am	<i>Break</i>
11:00am-12:00pm	Parallel Feedback Session 5 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 5a (Climate Governance): "Deliberation, Electoral Incentives, and Climate-Resilient Development in Malawi" Amanda Lea Robinson, Ohio State University. • Session 5b (Open): "Evaluating the Effects of Domestic Election Observation in the United States" Susan Hyde, University of California, Berkeley.
12:00-1:30pm	<i>Lunch</i>
1:30-2:30pm	Parallel Feedback Session 6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Session 6a (Climate Governance): "Climate adaptation finance architecture on Southern Africa" Godber Tumushabe, Great Lakes Institute for Strategic Studies. • Session 6b (Open): "Evaluating Poll Worker Drafts to Strengthen Elections, Civic Engagement, and Trust" Lauren Prather, University of California, San Diego.
2:30-3:00pm	<i>Break</i>
3:00-4:00pm	Designing Across Contexts: Results and Lessons from the Metaketa V Study of Women's Political Participation (Plenary Session) <i>Panelists: Alex Coppock (Northwestern University), Susan Hyde (University of California, Berkeley), Eddy Malesky (Duke University).</i>
4:00-4:30pm	Thank you and closing remarks