

## INVITATION

# Critical thinking Forum

on

# Social cash transfers: changing lives of African families?

On 15 November 2016, FAO and UNICEF will launch the book "From Evidence to Action: The Story of Cash Transfers and Impact Evaluation in Sub-Saharan Africa" which provides, through 8 case studies, compelling new evidence about the effectiveness of unconditional cash transfers in combating hunger and poverty in Africa. The book will be launched during a Critical Thinking Forum hosted by Mail & Guardian in Johannesburg, South Africa.

## **Moderator: Godfrey Mutizwa, Freelance Journalist**

## **Speakers:**

#### Panel 1 (political focus):

- Natalia Winder Rossi, Social Protection Team Leader, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO)
- Jean Dupraz, Regional Adviser Social Policy, UNICEF ESARO
- Stanfield Michelo, Former Director of Social Welfare, Ministry of Community Development and Social Welfare, Zambia
- Maureen M Mogotsi, Director, Children and Family Benefits, National Department of Social Development, South Africa (TBC)
- Molahlehi Letlotlo, Minister for Social Development, Lesotho
- Zororo Gandah, Chief Social Services, Ministry of Public Service Labour and Social Welfare, Zimbabwe

#### Panel 2 (research focus):

- Benjamin Davis, Strategic Programme Leader, FAO Strategic Programme on Rural Poverty Reduction
- Pamela Pozarny, Senior Rural Sociologist, FΔO
- Paul Quarles Van Ufford, Chief Social Policy, UNICEF Zambia
- Leon Muwoni, Child Protection Specialist, UNICEF Zimbabwe
- Michael Samson, Director of Research, Economic Policy Research Institute

Venue: The Capital Empire

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