

2013/2014 Aid budget forum

Wednesday 15 May 2013 9-10.30am, breakfast from 8.30am

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Many questions surround the 2013-14 aid budget. In the May 2012 budget, Labor pushed back its goal of increasing aid to 0.5% of GNI by a year to 2016/17. In response the Coalition removed the timetable from its commitment altogether. To deliver on its promise of a foreign aid increase this year to 0.37% of GNI, the Government needs to increase aid by about \$600 million. But will it? As we move towards an election with the government under fiscal pressure, what will the 2013-14 aid budget look like? Will the cuts to the aid budget associated with funding of asylum-seeker costs be reversed? Is the expansion of the aid program to Africa now a thing of the

past? And what is happening to the aid effectiveness agenda?

The annual aid budget is the most important event for the aid sector. And it is a time when the entire sector converges on Canberra for the budget lock up. If you're coming to Canberra for the budget, or if you're resident here, come to the morning-after aid budget breakfast at the Springbank / Canberry room at the ANU to provide fresh but in-depth analysis on what the budget means for the sector. The Development Policy Centre will present its analysis. We will also hear from a member of the executive at IDC Australia, and the new head of Oxfam. There will be a Q&A, as well as breakfast before and coffee after.

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