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Dear Policymakers,

TIPS has the pleasure to invite you to a preliminary project workshop to discuss the impact of China on South Africa. This project, sponsored by the UK Economic and Social Research Council, is headed by Rhys Jenkins from the University of East Anglia.

While the objective of the workshop is to engage in a discussion of the effect of China on South Africa to identify key research questions of relevance to government departments, Professor Jenkins will also provide a brief feedback on the main findings of his previous projects on China and Brazil.

Professor Jenkins will be accompanied by Lawrence Edwards from the University of Cape Town during this visit.

About the Project Leader:

Professor Rhys Jenkins is Professor of Development Studies at the University of East Anglia. Rhys is an economist interested in international development issues, but particularly those related to trade, foreign investment, and industrialization.

Rhys has worked closely with UNCTAD, UNIDO and with the United Nations Research Institute for Social Development (UNRISD) as well as for the Department of International Development. Rhys' current research focuses on the impact of the growth of China on other developing countries, especially Latin America.

Rhys has published extensively. Some of his published books include *Transnational Corporations and Uneven Development* (Methuen), *Environmental Regulation in the New Global Economy* (Edward Elgar), *Industry and Environment in Latin America* (Routledge) and *Corporate Responsibility and Labour Rights* (Earthscan).

Amongst his long list of journal article publications is a recent piece for *Revista CEPAL* on "The Chinese Effect' on the Price of Basic Goods and on the Value of Exports from Latin America" (2011), "Measuring the Competitive Threat from China for other Southern Exporters" in *World Economy* (2008), "The Impact of China on Latin America and the Caribbean" (with others) for *World Development* (2008).

Date: Wednesday, 21st September 2011

Time: 13h30 - 16h00

Venue: TIPS Offices, 826 Government Avenue, Corner of Percy, Pretoria

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RSVP by email: lpeleng@tips.org.za to confirm attendance.

Refreshments will be served after the seminar.

We sincerely hope that you will be able to attend this workshop,

Dr Myriam Velia
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