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Over 2008/09 and going forward: Presentation to Oxford graduate students

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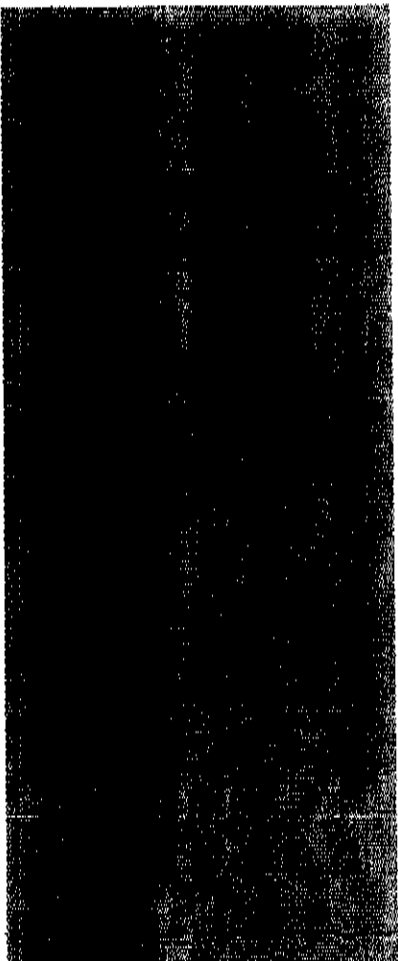
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**Centre for Poverty,
Employment and Growth
(CPEG)**

**Overview 2008/09,
and going forward.....**



CPEEG Objectives

Halving unemployment and poverty can be met on a sustainable basis.

CPEG programme areas

- **Employment scenarios**
- **Employment research**
- **The building of “research infrastructure”**
- **Demonstration projects**
- **Employment policy network**

Scenario building & supporting research

- Scenario building –
 - enables stakeholders to frame possible future for growth, employment and incomes and their implications for public and private action, choices and trade-offs
 - Enforces a discipline in the way we ask questions
- Research supporting scenario building, with related reference groups and dialogue

“Employment” research

“employment” outcomes understood to be a function of the development path

- Macro-economy, economic bias
- Infrastructure and employment
- Employment-oriented industry studies
 - Special emphasis on services
 - Rural livelihoods, small scale agriculture, food security
- Informal – formal sector links

- creation programmes
- Public works
- Labour markets
 - Inward migration and immigration
 - Employability of youth labour market entrants
- Social protection and social

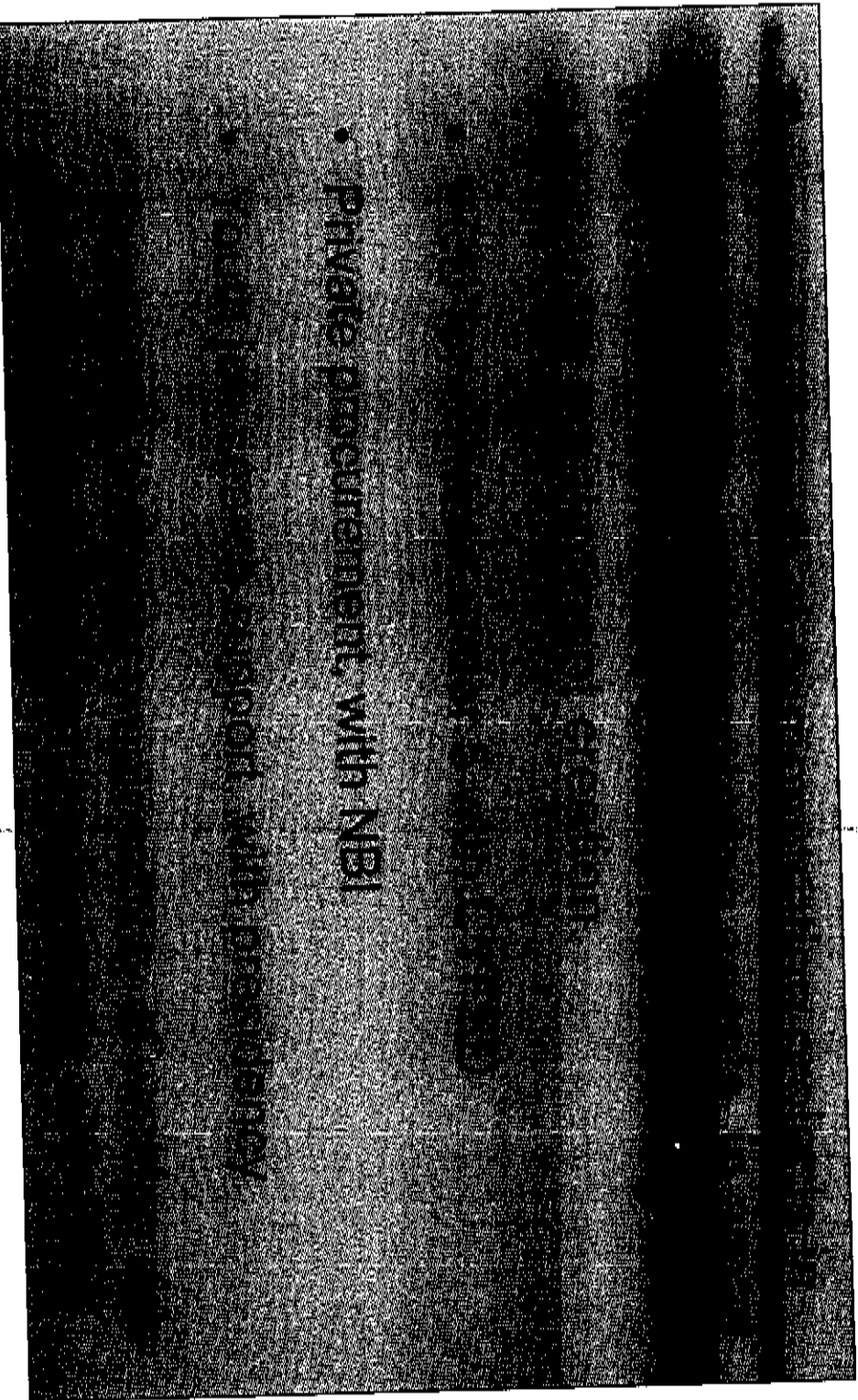
Research infrastructure

- Our aim is to develop research “infrastructure” that supports a “wider community”
- Some examples:
 - Indicators of the development path
 - economy wide modeling, especially to make model more ‘dynamic’
 - employment statistics tracking
 - migration data
 - Methodologies (egs):
 - assessing the character and scale of immigration
 - Social wage
 - Structural path analysis

Employment Policy Network

- Research networks that build communities of practice on policy research related to employment and poverty reduction
- www.employment-policy.net
- See other slides

Demonstration projects – 'evidence base policy making'



- Private procurement, with NBI

...with prescriptive

Current research opportunities

• Social wage

! How is the social wage being measured?

- Sector insights – what are people paying now, what would they pay?
- Annual household survey

• Food security

• Migration data

- Existing – sekhukune – gauteng.....
 - Data on housing (rental prices, transport demand, etc.)
 - **NEW** – potentially 2 new surveys

• Employment in the budget

! Demographic projections

- Options include demographic research, demo design, population in survey

• Indicators

- Development of lead and lag indicators step-by-step

- Eg business cycle, purchasing behaviour, imports, etc

- **Services contribution to employment, remuneration and growth**

Approach

- Our work generally involves large multi-disciplinary & methodology projects
 - CGE, GIS, econometric, quantitative surveys, qualitative research
- Fairly easy to identify part of a project that would be appropriate PhD or MA thesis
- Match topic to interest, time-lines for completion vs time lines of HSRC project
- Best if have strong thesis supervisor, or prof that is interested in helping
- Could involve periods in SA & Oxford