



Welcome to the World Inequality Lab newsletter, covering our latest publications and upcoming events!

Collaboration between the WIL and the United Nations Development Programme: Publication of the Human Development Report!



The [Human Development Report 2019](#) "Beyond Income, Beyond Averages, Beyond Today: Inequalities in Human Development in the 21st Century", is launched today by the United Nations Development Programme.

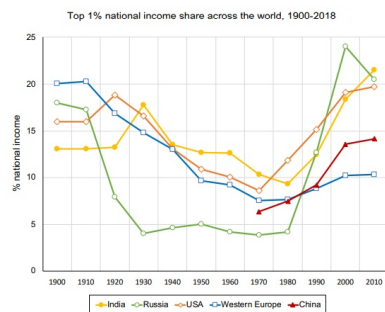
The World Inequality Lab is glad to announce its contribution to the report. In the chapter entitled "Measuring Inequality in Income and Wealth", we present and discuss recent findings about inequality in emerging and rich countries. Public debates grounded in facts are critical for societies to determine to what extent they accept inequality and what policies they should implement to tackle it.

>> Read the Human Development Report [here](#)

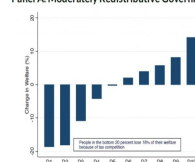
In order to make a step towards the access to quality data on the distribution of income and wealth, and to give a sense of the road ahead, WID.world publishes an [inequality transparency index](#) — an evolutive and collaborative tool describing the availability and quality of information on income and wealth inequality, in a given country.

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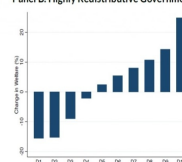
Latest publications



Panel A. Moderately Redistributive Government



Panel B. Highly Redistributive Government



How Much Are the Poor Losing from Tax Competition?

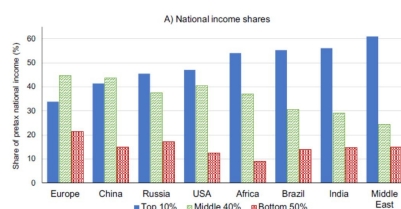
How much are European citizens losing from tax competition? Would they be better-off if European countries were able to have a common fiscal tool? In this paper, **Mathilde Muñoz** examines the welfare effects...

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Ten facts about inequality in advanced economies

What have we learned from the burgeoning literature on income and wealth inequality over the past decade? “Ten facts about inequality in advanced economies” by **Lucas Chancel**...

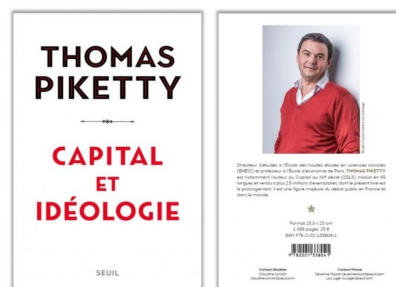
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How Large Are African Inequalities?

This new paper by **Lucas Chancel, Denis Cogneau, Amory Gethin and Alix Myczkowski** makes a first cautious attempt to estimate the evolution of income inequality in Africa from 1990 to 2017 by combining surveys, tax data and national accounts...

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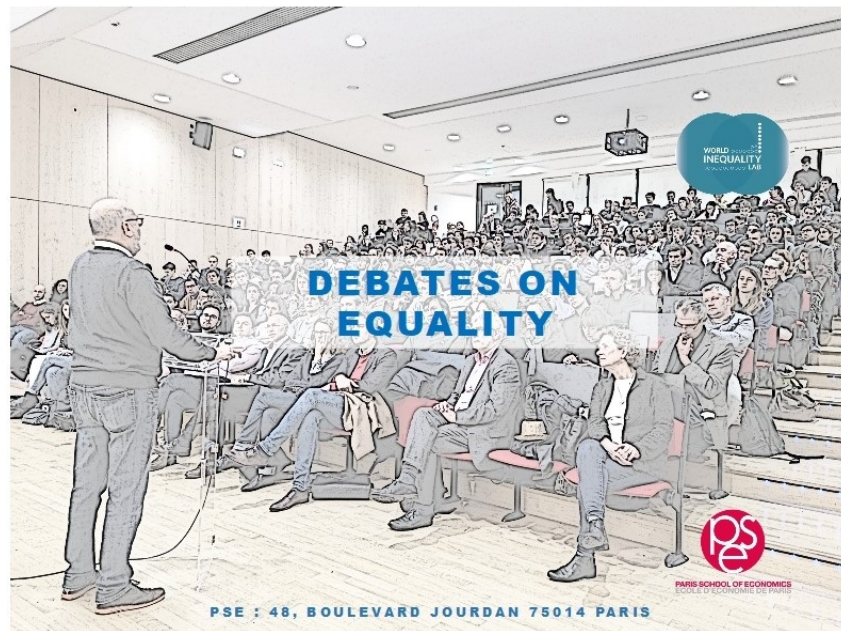


Capital and Ideology

“Every human society must justify its inequalities: reasons must be found because, without them, the whole political and social edifice is in danger of collapsing”. These are the opening lines of **Thomas Piketty**'s latest book, *Capital et Idéologie*, extension of *Capital in the 21st century*..

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Upcoming debates on equality



Next debate on equality:

December 16, 2019: “[Faire musée d’une histoire commune](#)”, in presence of Patrick Boucheron (French)

Check our programme:

- January 16, 2020: [Presentation the issue #24 of “Regards croisés sur l’économie”](#) (French)
- January 21, 2020: [“La science comme nouvelle frontière du lobbying”](#), in presence of Sylvain Laurens, EHESS (French)
- February 13, 2020: [“The triumph of injustice”](#), in presence of Gabriel Zucman (French)
- March 17, 2020: [“Good economics for hard times”](#), in presence of Esther Duflo (French)
- March 18, 2020: [“The Great Demarcation”](#), in presence of Rafe Blaufarb (French)

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