GLOBAL GOALS AS NATIONAL GOALS: LOST IN TRANSLATION?

The MDGs were important as shared global goals. However, Charles Gore argues that the misunderstood translation of those global goals into national goals shifted responsibilities and national priorities. As a result, the poorest and least powerful countries in the world made the most national effort to achieve the goals. This outcome has been damaging for them.

Is there a danger that the SDGs will be misunderstood in the same way?

This seminar will consider what it means to agree global goals and to act together to achieve them. In doing so, it will shed new light on ongoing SDG policy discussions, including issues such as:

- universality;
- the strengths and weaknesses of a partnership approach;
- the principle of common and differentiated responsibilities; and
- accountability mechanisms.

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