

Foreword

I am pleased to introduce to you the third volume of the *Journal of Development and Social Transformation*. These articles represent some of the best research emerging from masters and doctoral students on developing world public policy and management issues at the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs of Syracuse University.

Prior volumes of the journal featured articles, *la crème de la crème*, of research presented during a series of bi-annual research symposia promoting critical inquiry into issues of policy, administration, poverty alleviation and governance in developing countries. This volume is no different, but expands the breadth of our scholarly inquiry by including articles nurtured within the broader environs of the Maxwell School.

Since 1999, the symposia have presented us the opportunity to critically engage such diverse topics as Māori education policy, human trafficking on the Thai-Burmese border, water policy in South Africa and indigenous people's movements in Bolivia. Together, the symposia and *Journal of Development and Social Transformation* enable us to continue the important conversations and inform actions the students representing more than 50 countries have challenged us with over the years.

The Development and Social Transformation Forum of the Maxwell School's Daniel Patrick Moynihan Institute of Global Affairs organizes the journal, symposia and a speaker series designed to bring together faculty and students with interests in development to link theory and practice.

We sincerely thank all who make this journal possible and hope you find it stimulating and informative.

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