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EITD Research issue Call for Papers and Launch Website of its forthcoming State Budget Issues Conference holding in Yaounde, Cameroon, November 3-5, 2009

Kumba, Cameroon – EITD Research today issued a Call for Papers and launched the website of its State Budget Issues Conference scheduled to hold in Yaounde, Cameroon, November 3-5, 2009.

The Conference comes in the wake of ongoing turmoil in credit systems and apparent global economy collapse, and is part of a continuing series of EITD Research interventions to promote dialogue on substantive financial, economic and political issues facing people in Cameroon and around the world.

State Budgets are accounts of government spending, its amount and allocation, together with the sources of revenue to finance the spending. The accounts serve as records of intentions and performance of government. They represent our collective choices as society, as determined via our political institutions, with respect to public expenditure and revenues, and reflect how conflicts between our various economic policy objectives and political interests have been resolved in the past or not, and whether or how and when the government intends to respond to them.

State Budgets are at the heart of the government of Cameroon reform efforts. The Constitution of Cameroon requires the government to table the State Budget in Parliament when it sits in ordinary session in November. EITD Research initiated its State Budget Issues Conference series to support government reform efforts by helping to focus democratic discussion of the budget on substantive financial, economic and political issues facing people in Cameroon and around the world.

Over 1,000 delegates are expected to attend the EITD Research State Budget Issues Conference in Yaounde. Many more will share in its build up and outcome, through a variety of pre-and-post Conference meetings and online discussions and follow-ups including training in state budget affairs at various levels within Cameroon and in every region of the world.

The Conference programme and call for papers welcomes theoretical and research-based contributions broadly relating to themes and topics such as: Corruption; Millennium Development Goals (MDGs); Poverty Eliminating Economic Growth; Effects of Movements in Food Prices; Public Finances and Fiscal Rules; Aid and Debt Evaluations; Parliament and Budgets; Audit(s), Media Presentations and Public Interests.

Open dialogues on substantive state budget issues provide invaluable opportunity for public policy stakeholders including lawmakers, interest groups, the media and the general public to judge the performance of government and hold it to account.

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EITD Research is a private non-profit making non-governmental research and policy education institution with head quarters in Kumba, Cameroon, working on development issues related to technology, enterprise and industries since its founding in 1992. EITD Research seeks solutions to pressing development concerns and assists society to take, with responsibility, opportunities offered by science in the use of technology for development via enterprise and industry. In addition to providing field services and technical support in resources management, EITD Research develops and circulates information on a wide range of issues, advocating strategies and making policy recommendations.

The State Budget Issues Conference Call for Papers is available at: www.sbic.eitdr.org/call%20for%0papers.htm.
The Conference website address is: www.sbic.eitdr.org.