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On behalf of INASP and ODI, I am pleased to invite you to attend a symposium in Oxford on the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2006.

The symposium will focus on how development policy can be more evidence-based, how best this can be achieved, and specifically the challenges faced by intermediary organisations like INASP and ODI. The Symposium will bring together many of both INASP's and ODI's northern and southern partners and colleagues to review emerging trends and lessons for future work in this area.

On the 16<sup>th</sup> November there will be several presentations by key people in the area of evidence-based policy. There are also limited places available for a second day, on the 17<sup>th</sup> November, which will provide the opportunity for participants to attend two out of three more practical workshops. These will explore methods you can use in your own work to get convincing evidence into policy.

I have attached a preliminary outline for the 16<sup>th</sup> November. Some of the speakers are yet to be confirmed but this should give a taster of the topics to be covered.

To give you a chance to continue your discussions with other participants, we have also organised a dinner for the evening of the 16<sup>th</sup> November at Exeter College in Oxford. The cost of this dinner is £40 per head for three courses, including wine.

Please could you let me know by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October if you would like to attend so that I am able to finalise numbers with the venues.

Best wishes,

Rebecca