**Call for Papers**

**Conference on States, Development, and Global Governance**

Organized by

The Research Collaborative on *Remaking the Developmental State, UW Madison*

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**Papers are invited for a two-day conference on States, Development and Global Governance to be held at UW-Madison on May 6-7, 2011**

The state is back yet again. We are witnessing the revival of state intervention both at the ideological and practical levels in many countries. While we are seeing an intensification of state action in many spheres, this is happening in a very different context than what prevailed during the heyday of the classical developmental state. Globalization and attendant domestic changes have redrawn the boundaries of state action across policy areas and sectors. The private sector plays many new roles, public-private partnerships have emerged and global standards affect the public and private sectors equally.

How can we understand these developments and the revival of interest in the state? Are these interventions new or a re-assertion of old vested interests? How has the nature of the state and state-society relationships changed by their transition through the neoliberal decades? How does the nature of the global-national interactions transform our understandings of the nature of the state? Is there a counterintuitive effect of globalization on state regulation so that the trends toward globalization could, under some circumstances, strengthen national states and public agencies? How is social policy affected by the larger trends towards capital mobility? The Research Collaborative on *Remaking the Development State* seeks to examine these issues in India, China, Brazil and South Africa.

We invite papers for a two-day Conference that addresses any of the above questions in these countries. The conference will be organized by the Research Collaborative on May 6-7, 2011. We hope to publish selected papers in *Politics and Society* subject to the review process of the journal.

The deadline for submission of abstracts is: **January 15, 2011**. Complete papers from those selected are due on **April 15, 2011**. Please email your abstracts (not more than 500 words) to Sumudu Atapattu (saatapattu@wisc.edu) by the deadline. Late submissions will not be accepted.