



# Negotiating Power and Politics

## Negotiating Power and Politics When Transitioning Health Programs from External to Local Support

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**Thursday, Nov. 17  
2 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.  
Organized Session**

As many low-income countries transition to middle-income countries, they often receive less funding from donors and international aid organizations. Economic indicators are often used to determine when a country will stop receiving funds, but they obscure critical inequalities within countries. Daniela will be moderating this organized session on the topic of transition and what happens when external support is transferred to local stakeholders.

This session will focus on topics such as:

- Values and incentives - who values what part of the program
- What happens post-transition
- How donors themselves should be harmonizing transitions
- What happens to stigmatized populations when programs stop receiving money and the donor pulls out when they were often the only ones trying to care for that group

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