



Press Release 12/2/2013 Joyce Cain Award Comparative and International Education Society of North America (CIES)

Each year since 2000 the Joyce Cain Award has been made annually by the North American Comparative and International Education Society (CIES). It is presented to an individual(s) to recognize an outstanding scholar(s) whose article explores themes related to people of Africa published by any recognised peer reviewed international journal. The award celebrates the work of Joyce Cain who worked at Michigan State University undertaking comparative educational research on minorities in Africa and the USA

This year the manuscript of a paper by Professor Keith Lewin and Ricardo Sabates, both members of the Centre for International Education, University of Sussex, was selected by the Joyce Cain Committee of the CIES and awarded the prize. The paper is entitled: *“Who gets what? Is improved access to basic education pro-poor in Sub-Saharan Africa?”* in the International Journal of Educational Development in 2012 (Vol 32:4 517-528). The article is available as a free download from the IJED – Elsevier website at <http://www.journals.elsevier.com/international-journal-of-educational-development/awards/2012-2013-cies-joyce-cain-award/>

An extended study on *Changing Patterns of Access to Education in Anglophone and Francophone Countries in Sub Saharan Africa: Is Education for All Pro-Poor?* by Keith Lewin & Ricardo Sabates is available free at http://www.create-rpc.org/pdf_documents/PTA52.pdf

The award winning paper was first presented at the UK Forum for International Education and Training conference in Oxford at New College. It uses an analysis of household data across a cluster of countries to show that though educational participation has been increasing in Sub Saharan Africa in many cases this has been accompanied by increasing inequalities related to household wealth, over age entry, gender and location. The paper identifies a series of policy directly related to the redefinition of the Millennium Development Goals post 2015 which is currently under discussion across UN agencies. Keith will receive the award on behalf of both authors at the CIES annual meeting in New Orleans in early March.