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Palgrave Macmillan and EADI announce partnership to publish *The European Journal of Development Research*

Palgrave Macmillan, the academic and professional publishing division of Macmillan Publishers Ltd, and the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes (EADI) announced today that Palgrave Macmillan will publish *The European Journal of Development Research (EJDR)* on behalf of EADI. The *EJDR* is one of the leading international development research journals and has been published since 1989.

David Bull, Publishing Director for Journals at Palgrave Macmillan, said:

"We are delighted to work in partnership with EADI to publish such a dynamic title as The European Journal of Development Research. We believe that the quality of the journal and its editorial processes, allied to our global journals publishing infrastructure and outreach, will enable the EJDR to prosper yet further as a major publication in international development."

The first volume to be published by Palgrave Macmillan will be Volume 21, with the first issue in February 2009. EADI, the *EJDR* editorial team, and Palgrave Macmillan have worked carefully to ensure a smooth transition. The editorial operation of *The European Journal of Development Research* will continue unchanged, including the use of the Manuscript Central online submission system. All contributions will be subject to rigorous peer-review and assessment, as has always been the case.

Palgrave Macmillan's extensive experience of journals publishing will bring immediate benefits to *The European Journal of Development Research*, including strong differentiation in the market place and direct engagement with librarians. Advanced online availability and web functionality mean readers, authors and librarians will experience faster, more consistent and more comprehensive access to content.

Rajneesh Narula, Editor-in-Chief, said:

"Palgrave Macmillan is the optimum partner to bring the journal to the next level: our new publishers share our enthusiasm and passion for academic excellence, and optimism for the journal's future. I am very pleased about this decision, and look forward to moving the EJDR into the top five development journals."

Thomas Lawo, Executive Secretary of EADI, said:

"Partnering with Palgrave Macmillan opens a new chapter in the publication and communication strategy of EADI. Aiming for highest standards of research and analysis in development and area studies, we count on the EJDR and its new publisher to take us to the next level. A stronger European voice is needed in the policy debate at national, regional and global levels, and EADI, in co-operation with Palgrave Macmillan, will continue to be a passionate contributor to this debate."

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Notes to Editors**About the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes (EADI)**

EADI - the European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes - is the prime professional association for development studies in Europe and forms a European-wide network of institutes, researchers, and students of various disciplines in the field of development studies. The association was founded in 1975 and is an independent and non-profit making international non-governmental organisation. Its Secretariat is based in Bonn, Germany.

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