Introduction to parallel sessions on the case studies

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Overall approach and aims

- Constructive, challenging feedback to the authors
  - Ensure clear focus on the unit of analysis (the reform)
  - Is the story plausible (data and methods)?
  - Suggestions for improvement, related issues to explore
  - Other potentially relevant experiences to support conclusions or draw lessons from the case
  - Discussion of lessons, issues to bring out in cross-cutting synthesis
Approach to the presentations (to support focus and facilitate discussion)

- The efficiency problem, its manifestations, and effects (how we know there was a problem)

- Perceived/identified causes of the problem (basis for reform)

- The reform
  - What was intended (objectives and plans for implementation)
  - What was actually implemented (deviations from plan?)
  - What effects did it have on the problem – why and how?

- Policy implications and lessons
Practicalities

- One hour for presentation and discussion of each case study, with pre-identified discussants
  - Need to split into groups to ensure each case gets sufficient attention
Schedule

11:00 – 13:00
- Ethiopia HRH and DRC donor alignment
- Korea insurance merger, Uruguay integrated system reform

14:00 – 16:00
- South Africa medicines, China zero markup (medicines)
- Chile AUGE reform, Burundi PBF

16:15 – 18:15
- El Salvador medicine law
- Mexico catastrophic protection, Ghana SHI enrollment strategies