

# Partnership for Economic Policy (PEP) program

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Drying maize flour in Malawi

Dates

on the March 9, 2020

Research stay - 9-13 March, 2020

**Martin Limbikani Mwale** (Stellenbosch University)

and **Tony Kamninga Mwenda** (University of Malawi)

were on a **research stay at CERDI** in the framework of the PEP program. The COVID crisis shortened their visit that was supposed to last three weeks.

**PEP** is an international non-profit organization that links researchers globally to improve local capacity for policy analysis in developing countries. It is currently supporting research programs in 64 developing countries.

[Francesca Marchetta](https://cerdi.uca.fr/version-francaise/unite/lequipe/annuaire/francesca-marchetta)(<https://cerdi.uca.fr/version-francaise/unite/lequipe/annuaire/francesca-marchetta>) is currently working on the program "**The unintended consequences of the Malawi Farm Input Subsidy Programme (FISP): Women's entrepreneurship and financial inclusion**" in collaboration with researchers from the University of Stellenbosch (South Africa), the University of Malawi and the Monitoring and Evaluation Division of the Ministry of Finance Economic Planning and Development of Malawi.

[Martin Limbikani Mwale](https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/17725)(<https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/17725>) and [Tony Kamninga Mwenda](https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/17719)(<https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/17719>) are analyzing the unintended effects of the Malawi Farm Input Subsidy Programme (FISP) program on woman entrepreneurship and financial inclusion. This program aims to help farmers purchase outputs to improve productivity and guarantee food security.

During their study visit, Martin and Tony gave a research seminar and had the opportunity to exchange with CERDI's members.

#### **More info:**

Project presentation: <https://portal.pep-net.org/public/project/20428>(<https://portal.pep-net.org/public/project/20428>)

Francesca's projects : <https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/16421>(<https://portal.pep-net.org/public/researcher/16421>) (education, labour market, demography and climate)

<https://cerdi.uca.fr/english-version/news/partnership-for-economic-policy-pep-program>(<https://cerdi.uca.fr/english-version/news/partnership-for-economic-policy-pep-program>)