For the Post 2015 agenda in Africa I find Amilcar Cabral as coherent and relevant today as he was fifty years ago

“Always bear in mind that the people are not fighting for ideas, for the things in any ones head. They are fighting to win material benefits, to live better and in peace, to see their lives go forward, to guarantee the future of their children.” Amilcar Cabral 1965 Tell no lies claim no easy victories.
Use of Statistics to frame Inequality in South Africa

Why Multidimensional Poverty Indices (MPI) approach is good for South Africa

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25 September 2014
Statistics matter because they are about:

- People
- Places
- Possibilities
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Leave no one behind

Put sustainable development at the core

Transform economies for jobs and inclusive growth

Build peace and effective open and just accountable societies

Transform information systems
Statistics for Transparency, Accountability, Results and Transformation
Measuring poverty

- **Upper-bound poverty line**: R620
- **Lower-bound poverty line**: R443
- **Food poverty line**: R321

8% of the population is below the food poverty line.

The South Africa I know, the home I understand.
Poverty headcount by municipality – 2001-2011 (SAMPI)
Properties of statistics

- **S**: Statistics are numerical facts for statecraft
- **T**: Transparency is a pre-audit to ensure predictability
- **A**: Accountability is taking responsibility and accepting consequences
- **R**: Results allow parties to read the same facts
- **T**: Transformation is action in unison to drive change for the better

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