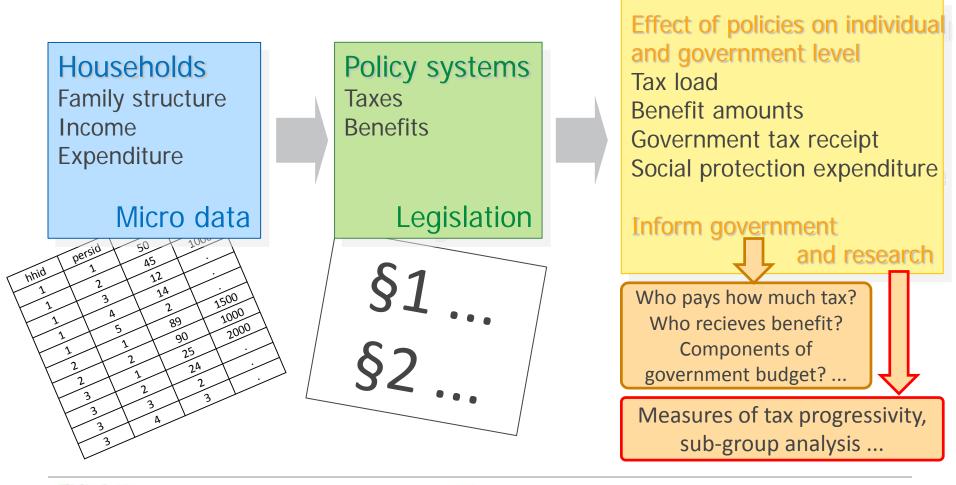


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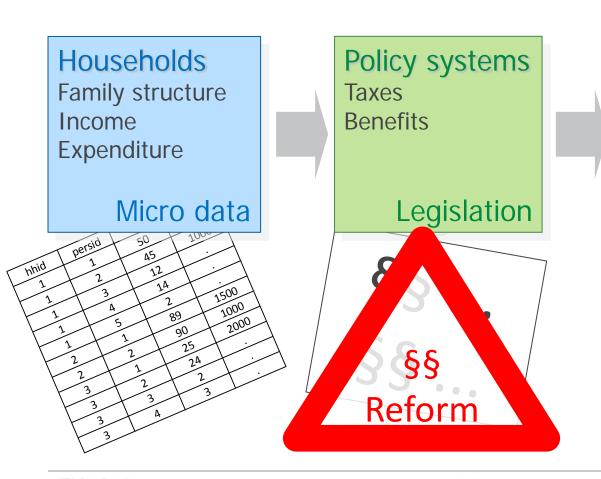








What is microsimulation? (II)



Effect of reform n individual and government level
Tax load
Benefit amounts
Government tax receipt
Social protection expenditure
Inform government
and research

Effects of reform on inequality, poverty, budget balance,...?

Labour supply responses, effects on (in)formality, ...?









SOUTHMOD - simulating tax and benefit policies for development



Ecuador



Tanzania



Ethiopia



Viet Nam



Ghana



Zambia



Mozambique

plus updates of existing models for Namibia and South Africa







































Where we are right now and where research comes in

- (Nearly) all models are built, models will updated and kept up
- Trainings for policy makers/analysts and researchers are taking place as we speak
- Active user group (policy maker and research side) is essential to maintain, improve and push the models
- Research particularly important for
 - Pushing model innovations
 - answering more complex questions going beyond static nature of the models









In this session we will see very first research results using the models

- → Ghana (GHAMOD): What is the relationship between extending social protection and formality?
- → Tanzania (TAZMOD): How well are beneficiaries targetted and what would be recommendations for reform?
- → South Africa (SAMOD): What impact would a universal child benefit have and how to finance it?
- → Ecuador (ECUAMOD): Estimating vulnerability to poverty







