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Welcome! September 2015 DSA Conference special Bulletin...



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ICEA, The winner will be announced and a prize awarded during the conference.

Annual General Meeting

This takes place at 17:30-18:45 on Monday 7th September in the University Hall.

Download [the agenda](#), which includes the proposals for changes to the Constitution and to membership categories. Council elections will be a part of this meeting.

President's reminders

With the conference beginning tomorrow lunchtime, we wanted to send a last-minute Bulletin to remind you of various aspects of the event.

Tweet the DSA Conference

Those active in the Twittersphere, please use the hash tag #DSA15 to tweet your thoughts on the DSA conference. Let's see if we can get the conference trending!

Study Group business meetings

If you are an existing member or thinking of joining a DSA study group, please come along to one of the pre-conference business meetings taking place on the University of Bath campus. See the section further on in this bulletin for details.

Final programme

The final programme is now available on the DSA website. Download details of the exciting and full schedule of events happening across the two days. the [timetable](#) the [panel and paper abstracts](#) the [poster abstracts](#)

DSA/ICEA Masters dissertation prize

This is new prize, jointly organised by the DSA and

Travel update

Various road closures in and around Bath, have led to some very heavy (and at times completely stationary) traffic. Please take this into consideration when planning your journey and allow extra time just in case. If possible, we recommend you travel to the University of Bath by public transport.

I look forward to meeting many of you over the next couple of days in Bath.

David Hulme
DSA President

DSA news

DSA Study Group Business meetings at DSA15

Student DSA Study Group

This takes place before the conference begins, on Monday 7th September at 10am in Room 8 West 2.8.

Urbanisation and Development DSA Study Group

This takes place before the conference begins, on Monday 7th September at 11am in Room 8 West 2.13.

NGOs in Development Study Group

This takes place before the conference begins, on Monday 7th September at 11-12:45 in Room 8 West 2.20.

Future meeting plans will be discussed, as well as ideas for research collaboration, around two topics (and any others that members bring to the table):

- The future of European-based international NGOs in the face of policy changes and funding squeezes
- NGOs as Evidence Intermediaries: establishing a research agenda from the Round Table the Study Group is running at the conference..

Everyone with an interest in NGOs in Development is welcome.

New Environment/natural resources/climate change Study Group

Anyone interested in forming a new DSA Study Group on environment/natural resources/climate change is invited to an informal discussion before the conference begins on Monday 7th September, at 11:30am. Please email Fiona Nunan, [f.s.nunan\(at\)bham.ac.uk](mailto:f.s.nunan(at)bham.ac.uk), if you're planning to come along or if you're interested but can't make it to the conference.

Disability and Development Study Group

This takes place during on Tuesday 8th September at 12:30-14:00, immediately after the Study Group's panel (F3), in Room 8 West 2.23.

The meeting will be an informal roundtable discussion with those interested in exploring the potential interest and synergies for future research. We are particularly keen to meet and collaborate with colleagues working on a in a variety of aspects of international development including poverty alleviation, vulnerability, participation, social policy and global governance.

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DSA Conference Special Issue: The Post-2015 Moment: Towards Sustainable Development Goals and a New Global Development Paradigm

[The Post-2015 Moment: Towards Sustainable Development Goals and a New Global Development Paradigm](#)
Charles Gore

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Gabriele Koehler

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Andrew Scott and Paula Lucci

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Soyeun Kim and Hanees Kang

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Other DSA Study Group meetings

Women and Development Study Group

'Researching Sensitive Issues around Gender and Development' 6th November, London

The next meeting will take place on 6th November in London with the working title above. A formal call for papers will go out next month, but for more information now please email [J.Gideon\(at\)bbk.ac.uk](mailto:J.Gideon(at)bbk.ac.uk).

The workshop organisers are Jasmine Gideon (Birkbeck), Prof. Ruth Pearson (Leeds) and Katie Jenkins (Northumbria).

Conferences and Events

Upcoming Conferences



Call for papers: Regional Studies association conference: Harmonious Development, Common Prosperity and the Transformation of Cities and Regions

Location: Hangzhou, China
Date: 25-27th of November
CFP deadline: 13th September

This event is intended for academic and professionals interested in regional research, development and policy making. The RSA China Conference is organized in cooperation with Chinese Academy of Science and Zhejiang University.

[Visit the website](#) for more information.

Annual Harrell-Bond Lecture 2015 'We do not want to become refugees': Human mobility in the age of climate change

Time/date: 17:00-18:30, 4 November 2015
Location: Oxford University Museum of Natural History, Parks Road, Oxford OX1 3PW

Speaker: Professor Walter Kälin (Envoy of the Chairmanship of the Nansen Initiative, and Professor of Constitutional and International Law, University of Bern)

Registration: All are warmly invited to attend. Please register by contacting the Centre Administrator, Anneli Chambliss Howes, at [anneli.chambliss\(at\)qeh.ox.ac.uk](mailto:anneli.chambliss(at)qeh.ox.ac.uk) or on +44 (0)1865 281720.

Read the abstract on the [website](#).

Jobs and Opportunities

Open University Research Associate(s) in Development Studies

Location: main OU campus in Milton Keynes and will be expected to live within reasonable commuting distance
Salary: £31,342 to £37,394 depending on experience
Contract Type: Temporary contract for three years
Closing Date: 24th September

We are recruiting one, possibly two, full time Research Associate(s) to work on a major new programme of work in International Development. Working under the Director of the Priority Research Area (PRA) in International Development and

Inclusive Innovation you will contribute to the research agenda through publications, grant applications, and impact activities. You will have a PhD in international development, economics, business, education, technology policy, politics, design, or other areas relevant to the PRA.

You will have knowledge and experience of working on one or more of the following areas: international development or relevant social sciences including business, education, technology policy, politics, geography, planning or design or areas relevant to the PRA

[See website](#) for further details and to apply.

Publications

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Every two weeks, two new short papers dealing with the central area of **planning for M&E** will be available as a [free downloadable PDF](#).

Nigel Simister and Janice Giffen

INTRAC training

- [Advanced M&E](#) (14-18 September)
- [Theory of Change for Planning and Impact Assessment](#) (5-9 October)
- [Advocacy and Policy Influencing](#) (19-23 October)
- [Advanced Partner Capacity Building](#) (9-13 November)

Practical Action

We're sad to be announcing that Simon Trace will be leaving us at the end of October. Simon has been with Practical Action for ten years and had this to say about his time here:

"It has been a huge honour, joy and privilege for me to occupy this position and to work with such a fantastic and dedicated group of staff across the world."

We will be saying a fond farewell to Simon and welcoming Paul Smith Lomas. Paul currently works as our International Policy and Programmes Director, where he leads work in 45 countries. We're absolutely delighted to be welcoming Paul into this position.

Read Simon's [farewell piece](#).
Read the Trustee's [announcement](#).



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The latest news, stories, reports, opinion and analysis from Oxfam staff around the world.

[Transforming Lives in Zimbabwe: Rural Sustainable Energy Development Project](#)

John Magrath

This case study contains a series of mini-reports on the renewable energy access work undertaken by Oxfam and Practical Action in the Ruti and Himalaya communal areas of Zimbabwe.

[Mapping Evidence Syntheses in the Humanitarian Sector: Insights and challenges](#)

Kristin Bushby, Roxanne Krystalli

This technical briefing provides a catalogue of existing systematic and literature reviews of humanitarian evidence syntheses.

[Somali Solutions: Creating conditions for a gender-just peace](#)

Siham Rayale, Ed Pomfret, Deborah Wright

This report looks at Somali women's experiences with conflict, peace, violence, insecurity and state rebuilding. It uses an approach geared towards gender-just peace-building to understand the ways in which Somali women have fulfilled their role as agents of change.

[Beyond Good Intentions: Agricultural policy in the SADC region](#)

Manyewu Mutamba, Menzi Dlamini, Nicholas Ngepah, Musa Simelane

This briefing note argues that policy makers in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) urgently need to move

beyond rhetoric to an action-based agenda that will catalyze smallholder-led development in the region.

[Humanitarian Key Facts](#)

Rosie Ball, Edmund Cairns, Laura Searle, Naomi Meneghini-Relf

Humanitarian Key Facts draws attention to the scale and impact of recent humanitarian crises, and the need for both greater assistance and lasting solutions to the millions of people affected by conflict, violence and disasters. This paper provides an update to the previous Humanitarian Key Facts published in January 2015.

[Building Farmer Cooperatives In Georgia: Supporting smallholder farming in the post-socialist context](#)

Levan Dadiani

This learning case study is part of a series of eight papers relating to Oxfam's economic justice programme in the Middle East, Asia and Eastern Europe, with a focus on collective action.

[Economic Recovery In Gaza: Supporting livelihoods through women's business development](#)

Ibrahim Shaath, Loai Al Haddad, Ala'a Eid

This case study presents Oxfam's experiences of using shorter value chain approaches to support the development of women's food processing businesses in Gaza. It provides key lessons learned and recommendations arising from the programme.

[From Grove To Market: Supporting olive farmers in the West Bank](#)

Mustafa Ismael

This case study focuses on what Oxfam has learned through the implementation of the 'From Grove to Market' programme, which worked with Palestinian olive growers to help them improve their produce and market their olive oil.

[Promoting Women's Economic Leadership In Nepal](#)

Janakee Kiran Shrestha

Oxfam has been working with Nepali women to develop their business and leadership skills through targeted training and the development of women farmer organizations. Based on Oxfam's experiences to date, this case study sets out some key programme learning and recommendations.

[Supporting Smallholder Livelihoods in Tajikistan: Working with women farmers to build new forms of collective action](#)

James Schmitt

Oxfam and its partners are working to support economic justice and livelihoods improvements for disadvantaged women smallholders in Tajikistan. This case study explores what Oxfam has learned through the implementation of the programme to date.

[Supporting Pro-Poor Berry Value Chains In Bosnia And Herzegovina](#)

Tamara Nicodeme

Oxfam has been implementing a pilot project that explores how poor smallholder farmers – especially women farmers – can benefit by participating in raspberry production. This case study sets out some initial lessons and recommendations arising from the pilot project.

[Using 'Markets For The Poor' Approaches To Develop New Value Chains In Azerbaijan](#)

Ramila Aslanova

This case study explores what Oxfam has learned about the 'markets for the poor' approach, and about supporting smallholder agriculture in Azerbaijan.

[Women's Economic Empowerment and Leadership in Armenia](#)

Vadim Uzunyan, Alexey Petrosyan

Oxfam is promoting women's economic empowerment and leadership in remote regions of Armenia. This case study sets out Oxfam's experiences in supporting women smallholders to develop new agricultural businesses producing fresh fruit and vegetables.

[Gender inequality and inter-household economic inequality in emerging economies: exploring the relationship](#)

Daria Ukhova

While most emerging economies have been characterised by persistence/growth of interhousehold economic inequality in recent decades, and simultaneous poor performance on gender equality, the intersecting relationship between these two trends so far has not received much attention. This article is an initial attempt to look at this relationship.

[Addressing multiple dimensions of gender inequality: the experience of the BRAC Gender Quality Action Learning \(GQAL\) programme in Bangladesh](#)

Sheepa Hafiza, Mohammed Kamruzzaman, Hasne Ara Begum

Recent analyses have highlighted that poverty reduction in Bangladesh has been accompanied by growing inequality in society, measured by household income. This article considers what the implications are for development actors who are

concerned with empowering the poor in society, and who understand poverty from a gender and women's rights perspective.

[Bridging inequalities through inclusion: women's rights organisations as the 'missing link' in donor government-led participatory policy development and practice](#)

Abigail Hunt, Hannah Bond, Ruth Ojiambo Ochieng

This article focuses on women's rights organisations and their role in challenging inequality within the development process.

[Gender, poverty, and inequality: a brief history of feminist contributions in the field of international development](#)

Naila Kabeer

This paper provides a brief history of feminist contributions to the analysis of gender, poverty, and inequality in the field of international development.

[Gendering the inequality debate](#)

Diane Perrons

This article explores the gender dimensions of growing economic inequality, summarises key arguments from feminist economics which expose the inadequacy of current mainstream economic analysis on which 'development' is based, and argues for a 'gender and equality' approach to economic and social policy in both the global North and South.

['Leave no one behind' and the challenge of intersectionality: Christian Aid's experience of working with single and Dalit women in India](#)

Jayshree P. Mangubhai, Chiara Capraro

This case study illustrates lessons learnt from Christian Aid's programmatic experience in several states of India in support of Dalit women and single women as they individually and collectively struggle to gain dignity and realise their rights.

[Measuring the drivers of gender inequality and their impact on development: the role of discriminatory social institutions](#)

Gaëlle Ferrant, Keiko Nowacka

This paper highlights the key role of discriminatory social institutions – formal and informal laws, social norms, and practices – as the underlying drivers of gender inequality.

[The Individual Deprivation Measure: measuring poverty as if gender and inequality matter](#)

Sharon Bessell

This article focuses on the Individual Deprivation Measure (IDM), a multi-dimensional measure of poverty and inequality designed to illuminate rather than obscure gender differences.

[Women's economic inequality and domestic violence: exploring the links and empowering women](#)

Christine Hughes, Mara Bolis, Rebecca Fries, Stephanie Finigan

Economic empowerment of poor households is a key entry point for development organisations concerned with economic inequality. Over the decades, gender inequality has emerged as a key concern, and the result has been women's economic empowerment (WEE) programming. This article is a study of the impact of WEE programming on domestic violence (DV) against women.

[The food insecurity-obesity paradox as a vicious cycle for women: inequalities and health](#)

Andrea S. Papan, Barbara Clow

Poverty and income inequality undermine women's health in a myriad of ways. This article discusses findings from the Full Plate Project, which addressed women's experience of food security, obesity, and chronic disease in Atlantic Canada.

[Introduction: Gender and Inequalities](#)

Naila Kabeer, Caroline Sweetman

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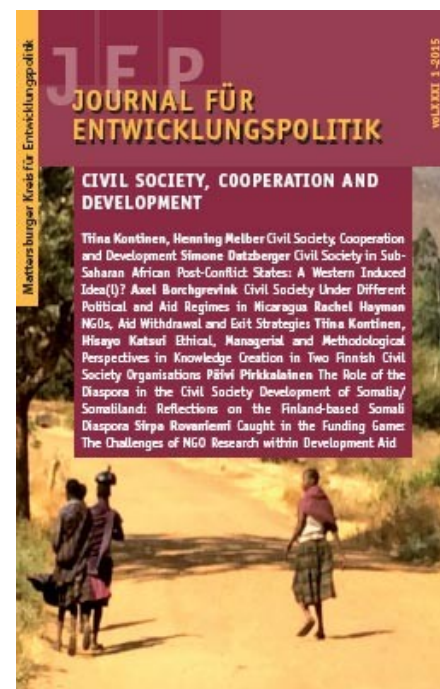
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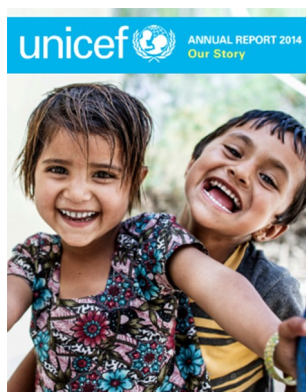
This special issue of the Austrian Journal of Development Studies has its focus on the civil society-development nexus. Different cases and levels of reflection seek to find common ground, and attempt to answer the question as to if, and to which extent, civil society initiatives are able to truly support development. As shown, civil society actors are per se neither better nor worse than development cooperation by state agencies. While the informality of some initiatives might be regarded as a strength, it could be also a weakness, in as much as the professionalism of other actors might reproduce similar ambiguities. Civil society is no panacea for, and no guarantor with which to promote, the kind of development that would deserve support. Nevertheless, forms of internationalism by non-state actors have an important role to play. They hence require a closer examination in order to establish the scope as well as the limitations of such interaction. This special issue offers case studies and insights to a necessary (self-) critical investigation.

Guest Editors: Tiina Kontinen, Henning Melber

See [website](#).



UNICEF



UNICEF Annual Report 2014 outlines UNICEF's ongoing efforts to realize the rights of every child, especially the most disadvantaged, and break the intergenerational cycle of inequity and poverty.

In 2014, UNICEF programmes helped millions of children to be nourished and healthy, to learn, to be protected and safe. It was a year of high points – including the 25th anniversary of the

Convention on the Rights of the Child – and a year of crises in which UNICEF responded to 300 emergency situations in 98 countries. Throughout the year, UNICEF worked across the globe and in partnerships to advance the global conversation on children and equity.

Download [the report](#) or view the [digital version](#).

Women Mentoring in Development (WOMID)

womid WOMID links women doing development facing PhDs and post-docs with women working in the development field outside of academia through a global voluntary mentoring scheme. Women working outside academia mentor PhD and early career women through their studies, ultimately helping them make the step into either professional academia or the outside practitioner world whilst themselves growing their networks, gaining first hand access to new and exciting research, and sharing their experiences. Together, the mentoring will help to break down the barriers between the research and practical fields in development, as well as provide a much needed support network for women in early career academic positions.

Find out more and register your interest now on [the website](#), or email us [thewomidteam\(at\)gmail.com](mailto:thewomidteam(at)gmail.com).

We are especially looking for mentors so if you have experience as both an international development practitioner and academia, it would be fantastic to hear from you.

News from the Academy of Social Sciences

A draft concordat has been produced which seeks to make research data in the UK more openly accessible for use. The concordat has been drafted under the auspices of the UK Open Research Data Forum by a multi-stakeholder working group, which includes HEFCE, Research Councils UK (RCUK), Jisc, the Wellcome Trust and Universities UK. It aims to help ensure that the research data gathered and generated by members of the UK research community is made openly available for use by others wherever possible, in a manner consistent with relevant legal, ethical and regulatory frameworks and norms.

The concordat aims to establish a set of expectations of good practice, with the intention of making open research data the standard for publicly funded research over the long term. It recognises the different responsibilities of researchers, their employers and the funders of research, although the intention is not to mandate, codify or require specific activities.

On behalf of the working group, RCUK welcomes feedback on any aspects of the concordat and the value users think it will have for the UK and global research communities - to be emailed to [OpenData\(at\)rcuk.ac.uk](mailto:OpenData(at)rcuk.ac.uk) by 28/09/2015.

Read the [concordat](#).
Visit the [UK Open Research Data Forum website](#).

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