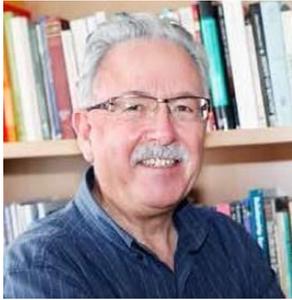




Welcome to the DSA Bulletin for July 2016

President's foreword



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I am recovering from the shellshock of the EU referendum result...with a holiday...in a strange place called Europe.

Brexit may not mean 'all change' but it certainly means 'lots of things change in most things' for many years to come. A change in political leadership and perhaps government and opposition in coming months...followed by Scotland voting for 'independence'...and, longer term whether European integration and cooperation strengthens...or weakens as populist politicians tell naive populations that 'independence' (and overcoming all problems) is only a vote away. Social democracy in Europe (and the UK) seems to be waning dramatically and right-wing populism is on the rise. Clearly there are major implications for Development Studies and Higher Education more widely.

In an interdependent world pretending that 'independence' is possible and is desirable seems lunacy to me. The key political questions of today are all about forms of integration and cooperation – local, regional, national, international and global. They are not about pretending that being an island on the periphery of Europe means that you can control the ways in which goods, services, people, finance, ideas, diseases, data, crime and everything else flows and connects 'us' to the world. The 'Leave' campaign's presentation of the problem of inequality in the UK as a problem of immigration has been incredibly successful – but, it will not do anything to actually reduce inequality in the UK.

Most alarming for me are the values that have been successfully promoted by the 'Leave' campaign – racism, xenophobia and a narrow nationalism. Alongside this is the political style that has evolved – shouting and hectoring, calling all opponents 'liars' and all their evidence and arguments 'lies'. Asserting that there is no such thing as 'expert knowledge'. No wonder politicians who are dab hands at this – for me Farage, Johnson and Gove in particular (our own Donald Trump's in the making) – have prospered. From their privileged positions they present themselves as the representative of the man in the street...and, occasionally woman...and then return to metroland.

So, what will this mean for Development Studies? Lots of change but in ways that will only become clear as the political consequences of Brexit unfold. Predictable are that partnerships based on EU research funding will be weakened or destroyed and intra-EU student movement will reduce dramatically. Whether the UK's aid budget will be cut by the next government (why give 'Johnny foreigner' money?) will be significant as this will impact on research funding and especially the emerging Global Challenge Research Fund that most UK universities have been prioritising in their 2016-2020 research plans. If the pound drops then maybe even more students will come from China...unless they are listening to the anti-foreigner tone of UK conversations...that would mean fewer. For a thorough review of possible consequences go to the Academy of Social Sciences 'EU Referendum – Leave: What next for UK social science' [briefing note](#). The Development Studies community will need to respond to this changed environment. There will be even more need for high quality research and knowledge generation, relevant policy advice and excellent HE teaching. But, maybe we shall have to acknowledge a task that we (and

especially research-focused universities) have neglected – public understanding. With the wisdom of hindsight I believe that those of us working in Development Studies could have devoted more time and energy to presenting our knowledge to wider public audiences through links to secondary education and more effective links to the media. To counter the narratives of racism, xenophobia and narrow nationalism that are so powerful today we shall need to engage with the public, the media and with our colleagues in secondary education...there is a long road ahead.

By nature I am an optimist. Hopefully a holiday in Europe will restore my optimism...as news from the UK is certainly not helping me.

David Hulme, DSA President
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DSA News

DSA2016

Early bird deadline: 11th July.

With 65 panels and over 450 papers, and keynotes by James Robins and Tania Li, this conference looks likely to draw together over 500 people from the Development Studies community for three days of presentations and discussions. Don't miss out on this great opportunity to learn, network, and of course see old friends. Register via the conference [website](#) before July 11th before the prices increase.

Development and Change Annual Lecture Monday 12th September, 2016

We're delighted to announce the inaugural *Development and Change* Annual Lecture at the DSA Annual Conference.

Professor Tania Li (University of Toronto): [read the title and abstract](#)

Sponsored by [Development and Change](#)



The lecture will be recorded and will be available on the journal's [website](#)

Oxford Development Studies Annual Lecture Tuesday 13th September 2016

Professor James A. Robinson (University of Chicago)

Sponsored by [Oxford Development Studies](#)



Study Group news

DSA Urbanisation and Development Study Group Workshop

Interrogating the New Urban Agenda

Hosted by IIED, The Bartlett Development Planning Unit at UCL and IDS, IDS Room 121
Monday 4 July, 1030-1630

The DSA Urbanisation and Development Group invites researchers and practitioners to a day workshop to discuss and interrogate the recently released Zero Draft of the New Urban Agenda, which is set to shape discussions at Habitat III in Quito in October. This event will provide an opportunity to identify gaps in the Zero Draft and also to re-frame certain issues.

See [website](#) for the detailed agenda.

Join a Study Group

Study Groups welcome DSA members' involvement: browse the list of Study Groups on the [DSA website](#) and if you work on related issues and want to learn more about what the groups are up to, attend a meeting, or contribute, contact the Study Group convenors.

DSA Premium Members

Premium membership enables your institution to lend strong support to the DSA's mission to represent the discipline, while also gaining access to the full range of DSA services: conference, website, Heads of Centres meetings, etc. If your institution is interested to join the list below, please email: [president\(at\)devstud.org.uk](mailto:president(at)devstud.org.uk)

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- [Department of Development Studies and the Department of Economics, SOAS](#)
- [Development Planning Unit \(DPU\), University College London](#)
- [Development Policy and Practice, DPP, Open University](#)
- [Global Development Academy, University of Edinburgh](#)
- [IDS, University of Sussex](#)
- [International Development Department, University of Birmingham](#)
- [International Development Institute, King's College London](#)
- [Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford](#)
- [GDI, University of Manchester](#)
- [The Sheffield Institute for International Development \(SIID\)](#)



Premium member news

The Bartlett Development Planning Unit

[Critical Perspectives on Urban Infrastructure: Drawing Out a Progressive-Oriented Agenda](#)

From the 13th to the 17th June, 2016, the DPU and the Institute of Advanced Studies at UCL hosted a group of early career scholars discussing 'Critical Perspectives on Urban Infrastructure'. The workshop, convened by Vanesa Castán Broto and Laurent Dissard from IAS, was part of a series of events which will conclude the 3-year ESRC project 'Mapping Urban Energy Landscapes'.

[Interactions between water, energy and food provision for sustainable cities – DPU at Urban Nexus](#)

Funded by the ESRC, the Nexus Network brings together an interdisciplinary group of scholars and practitioners to develop a holistic understanding of how the linkages between food, energy, water and the environment shape cities and urban life.

The DPU approach to the urban nexus builds on integrated approaches to sustainability and socio-environmental justice, which manifest the interconnections between social, environmental and technological issues.

[Reflexive Development Practitioners: The 3rd Wave of the DPU/ACHR/CAN Internship Programme Launched in Bangkok](#)

Learning by doing is at the core of promoting socially minded development practices. As part of a long-standing partnership between the Asian Coalition of Housing Rights (ACHR), the Community Architects Network (CAN) and The Bartlett Development Planning Unit (DPU), the DPU Alumni internship program aims to offer experience and on-the-job-training for junior development practitioners throughout Southeast Asia.



[Just sustainabilities - DPU contribution to UN-Habitat's World Cities Report](#)

UN-Habitat has just published the 2016 World Cities Report which is fully available online (<http://wcr.unhabitat.org/>). The report focuses on the emerging futures of urbanisation and development, and features a notable prominence of just sustainabilities. A team from the Development Planning Unit, led by Vanesa Castán Broto, wrote the initial draft of Chapter 5 of the World Cities Report.

Global Development Institute

David Hulme's new book, [Should Rich Nations help the Poor?](#) has been published and is available to purchase. A short, accessible analysis, the book is ideal for general readers and students new to Development Studies.

And stay tuned to GDI's [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) for chances to win a signed copy!

Secretary of State for International Development, [Justine Greening](#), founding member and panellist of the UN Secretary General's High Level Panel on Women's Economic Empowerment visited GDI to listen to the students, academics and local NGOs for their ideas, thoughts and suggestions on women's economic empowerment in advance of the next UN panel meeting in July.



Oxfam's [Duncan Green](#) also gave a lecture – about how change happens and how to make it happen.

The GDI Working Paper series has been relaunched, with papers from [Professor Bina Agarwal and Ankush Agrawal on farmer satisfaction in India](#), and [Juan M. Villa and Armando Barrientos on exit as entry in anti-poverty programmes](#). The full series can be found [here](#).

Institutional member news

Practical Action

Radio show helps girls in India

Thousands of girls and women in India now have access to vital menstrual hygiene information, thanks to a special media project. Working alongside local partners, the advice and information was promoted through radio shows, podcasts and films. See [website](#)



Launch of BICAS project in Nepal

This week we've launched a new three year project in western Nepal which will help 7,000 farmers. See [website](#)

Toilets for Kenya

Find out how you can give families in Kenya a clean and safe toilet. See [website](#)

"Small Talk"

Take a step back in time and see our "News and Views" from the late 80s. [Read more](#)

50 year anniversary

It's our 50th Anniversary and some of our supporters have made a quilt to mark the occasion. [Read more](#)

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We're on [Instagram](#)! Keep up to date with our projects and the people you're supporting by following us.

Courses

INTRAC (International NGO Training and Research Centre)

[NEW COURSE: Facilitation Anywhere July 2016](#)

This practical course aims to provide an opportunity to think about and practise designing and facilitating gatherings of people, both face to face and online, in ways that bring all of their talents into the room. It is facilitated by Pete Cranston and Isobel McConnan.



Part One - A two-hour online event (6 July 2016)

Part Two - A three-day face-to-face course in Oxford (12-14 July 2016)

[Advanced Monitoring and Evaluation 4-8 July](#)

This course provides an overview of all aspects of M&E from planning to M&E and impact assessment, with a focus on ensuring that M&E contributes towards improving organisational learning and accountability. It is facilitated by [Anne Garbutt](#) and [Alison Napier](#).

The course takes place over 5 days from 4-8 July 2016 at Hawkwel House Hotel, Oxford.

Please see our [website](#) for details of course fees, bursaries and discounts. INTRAC contact: Sarah Lewis, Research Assistant, INTRAC, Email: [slewis\(at\)intrac.org](mailto:slewis(at)intrac.org).

Events and conferences

International Consulting Economists' Association (ICEA)

'Ebola virus disease in Sierra Leone: economic impact and recovery'

Speaker: Peter Davis

Tuesday 5 July 2016, 18h00 for 18h30

The Art Workers Guild, 6 Queen Square, WC1N 3AT



The Ebola outbreak had a significant impact on Sierra Leone's economy. But it was not the disease, but the quarantine measures introduced to limit its spread which have strangled economic activity. Farmers could not properly tend their fields, or buy and sell as normal at markets. Companies saw their business disappear at the same time as costs increased. The Ebola containment measures depressed economic activity in all sectors of the economy. However, when the containment measures were lifted, this depressive effect disappeared and normal economic life could resume. There are hangovers which will need to be addressed, most significantly the need to refinance and recapitalise much of the economy. But the real recovery from Ebola means looking at the factors that allowed that impact to be so severe. It also requires lessons to be learned from the collapse of the iron ore sector. Poor skills levels, inadequate financial structures, a weak corporate sector and poor governance: these are the issues that the outbreak has laid bare and which need to be addressed if the country is properly to recover, and a future crisis avoided.

Dr Peter Davis is a political economist focusing on the impacts of the private sector in developing countries. He is currently advising the European Union on a new private sector programme in Jordan and has worked extensively with the OECD on its investment strategy in Iraq, and on the development of an anti-corruption project in Morocco. He sits on the Advisory Board of the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation (the

UN led multinational grouping overseeing the implementation of the SDGs). Peter is Visiting Research Fellow at Birkbeck College, University of London and a former Research Fellow of the Overseas Development Institute, and from 2006-09 he co-chaired David Cameron's Working Group on Responsible Business Practice. His book, Corporations, Global Governance and Post-Conflict Reconstruction was published by Routledge in 2012. A further book, The Corporate Sector in International Development will be published in 2017.

The paper will be available after the meeting [here](#). Future meetings dates and topics can be found [here](#).

The Bartlett Development Planning Unit

[Interrogating the New Urban Agenda](#)

10:30 - 16:30, 4 July 2016

Location: Room 121, Institute of Development Studies, Library Road, Falmer BN1 9RE



The DSA Urbanisation and Development Group invites researchers and practitioners to a day workshop to discuss and interrogate the recently released Zero Draft of the New Urban Agenda, which is set to shape discussions at Habitat III in Quito in October. This event will provide an opportunity to identify gaps in the Zero Draft and also to re-frame certain issues.

[Reducing Relocation Risk: Emerging issues: cost and benefit analyses in resettlement decision-making](#)

17:00 - 19:00 11 July 2016

Location: DPU Room 101, 34 Tavistock Square, WC1H 9EZ

This panel, based on the project 'Reducing Relocation Risk in Urban Areas', brings together experts on issues of resettlement and social and environmental justice.

International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam

CfP : Annual PhD Conference

14th Development Dialogue: "DO WE NEED TO GROW? PROBLEMATISING GROWTH ECONOMY IN DEVELOPMENT"

21-22 November 2016

International Institute of Social Studies, Erasmus University Rotterdam

Deadline: 15 July 2016

See [online PDF](#) for submission instructions

CDS, Bath University

[Evidence and the Politics of Policymaking: where next?](#)

This symposium is hosted by the [Institute for Policy Research \(IPR\)](#) and the [Centre for Development Studies](#)

Date: 14-15 September 2016

Venue: Chancellors' Building, University of Bath

Registration: [Registration is now open.](#)

About: The symposium will address current issues of critical concern regarding the ways in which evidence is used in policy, both domestically and internationally. It is being jointly organised by the IPR and the Centre for Development Studies at the University of Bath, and will form part of the university's 50th anniversary celebrations.

The symposium will focus on how research and evidence are used in contemporary policymaking, both in national and multinational contexts. Our aim is to draw together academics, politicians and policymakers to address questions such as:

- What kind of evidence gains legitimacy in policymaking?
- What is the implicit hierarchy of forms of evidence?

- How do different forms of evidence, such as professional knowledge and practical wisdom, find their place alongside or against empirical, quantitative study, and the burgeoning fields of data science?
- How do policymakers use evidence, if at all, and how should they think about the relationship between evidence and policy interventions?
- Can technocracy and democracy go together?
- How do social movements interact and engage with policy making processes?
- What happens to evidence when traditional policymaking structures are being reconfigured under pressure from populist political parties and other agents?
- What is the role of policy entrepreneurs in evidence gathering and dissemination?

Confirmed keynote and panel speakers so far include [Lord Kerslake](#), Former Head of the Civil Service and [Douglas Alexander](#), former Shadow Foreign Secretary and Secretary for International Development, Nancy Cartwright, Durham University and [Carey Oppenheim](#), CEO, Early Intervention Foundation, Prof K. Srinath Reddy of the Public Health Foundation of India.

For further details of the programme please see the [Provisional Programme](#).

Accommodation: A few bedrooms are being held for delegates to book on campus, please see the [University Guest Accommodation website](#) for details. Alternatively there are many [hotels](#) in the City of Bath.

If you have any further questions about the Symposium please contact James Harle at the IPR: [j.harle\(at\)bath.ac.uk](mailto:j.harle@bath.ac.uk)

Publications

Oxfam Policy & Practice

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[Using micro-hydro power for irrigation and energy in Nepal](#)

[Building bridges between communities and local government in the DRC](#)

[Latest climate change evidence confirms what farmers told Oxfam](#)

[Orchestrating the movement - a personal reflection on the World Humanitarian Summit](#)

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[Feeding Climate Change: What the Paris Agreement means for food and beverage companies](#)

[Hotspots, Rights Denied: The lack of a legal framework is threatening the rights of migrants reaching Italy](#)

[Europe, Don't Let Us Down: Voices of refugees and migrants in Greece](#)

[Underpaid and Undervalued: How inequality defines women's work in Asia](#)

[The Right Choices: Achieving universal health coverage in Malawi](#)

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[The Impact of Food Assistance on Pastoralist Livelihoods in Humanitarian Crises: An evidence synthesis protocol](#)

[Overcoming Barriers to Family Planning in Pakistan: Lessons from stories of change and a literature review](#)

Programme learning

[Building Dialogue Between Citizens and the State: Six factors contributing to change in the Within and Without the State programme in DRC](#)

[Putting Oxfam's Partnership Principles into Practice](#)

[Partnering for impact case studies](#)

The Bartlett Development Planning Unit

[Untamed Urbanisms - Edited by Adriana Allen](#)

[Sustainable Food Systems: The Role of the City - By Robert Biel](#)



Taylor & Francis

[The Journal of Development Studies: Dudley Seers Prize Winners 2015](#)

The [Dudley Seers Prize](#) commemorates the life and work of Dudley Seers (1920–83), one of the founders of the discipline of development studies in the United Kingdom, both institutionally and intellectually. Dudley Seers was an economist who questioned the measurement of development with the single economic yardstick of national income, which he said "avoided the real problems of development".

The Journal of Development Studies are pleased to announce two winning articles of the 2015 Dudley Seers Prize!

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Palgrave MacMillan

[Palgrave Studies on Children and Development](#)

Edited by M. Bourdillon, J. Boyden and R. Huijsmans

There has been increased attention to children and development, and children's development, in international policy debates in recent years, reflected in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child and the child-centred focus of United Nations' Millennium Development Goals. This is based first on the interests of children according to their human rights, and second, a recognition of the importance of children for societal development. However, despite this increasing focus on policies and programmes (and budgets) to support children, relatively little has been written to draw together the lessons of development policy and practice as well as research into children's development over the life-course. This series will start off with a mini series of 3 books from Young Lives, a unique 15-year longitudinal study of childhood poverty in developing countries. It will also incorporate other edited or single author volumes, from a range of disciplines, which relate to and reflect the work being done by Young Lives on children and development, but broaden debates into the wider childhood studies field. A particular strength will be the ability to bring together material that links issues from developed and developing countries, as they affect children. As such the series will present original and valuable new data for an important and growing field of scholarship.

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Other News

UKCDS

Your Research: Science for Global Good

Our new researcher hub '[Your Research: Science for Global Good](#)' is a jumping off point for researchers keen to use their skills and knowledge to help tackle development challenges. It includes inspiring examples of researchers from nanotechnology to behavioural science who have used their cutting-edge research for development, tips for [building partnerships](#) and FAQs for researchers starting out in global development. It also includes new [funding hub](#) with an overview of the main programmes within the UK, such as the Wellcome Trust, Newton Fund and Global Challenges Research Fund (GCRF).

UKCDS also maintains a list of [open funding calls](#), produces a [weekly update](#) with newly announced funding opportunities and news, or you can [sign-up](#) for our monthly newsletter and follow us on [Twitter](#).

Academy of Social Sciences (ACSS) news

Briefing note in response to Britain's decision to leave the European Union

In light of the decision to leave the European Union, the Academy of Social Sciences and its Campaign for Social Science have drafted a [briefing note](#) summarising the vote's implications for UK social science.

The Academy and its Campaign believe the Government will need to consider the implications for UK research in its post-referendum negotiations if UK research excellence is to be protected.

Specifically, the UK Government will need to:

- Consider the nature and structure of access to European research funding, which will be affected by decisions on whether or not we become an EFTA EEA country, and how we approach freedom of movement. Our [longer note](#) discusses differences between some possible models, including the Swiss and Norwegian, for research funding and collaboration. Consideration should be given to the implications of any model for participation, funding, and leadership within the European Research Area and its framework programmes, including Horizon 2020.
- Consider making good any shortfall in funding (the UK is a net beneficiary) in order to preserve UK social science excellence if the negotiated terms do not allow UK researchers access to EU funding as an associated country.
- Mitigate the impact on the freedom of movement of international social science research talent into UK, to ensure that future immigration policies do not pose unreasonable barriers to entry to UK academic posts and to specialist social science research posts outside academe. The Government will also need to consider whether EU students will continue to have access to UK HEIs on the same terms.

The UK social science community will itself need to:

- Mend fences following the heated debate of recent months, and consider how to continue and develop fruitful research collaborations with European peers.
- Consider how to foster freedom of movement in an increasingly international research community, including programmes that allow members of the international research and student communities, particularly those hailing from the EU, to study and work in the UK.

You can read the full briefing note [here](#).

For all ACSS news and activities, visit their [website](#).

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