

# DSA Bulletin

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## Welcome! March Edition DSA Bulletin...



Dear Colleagues,

As you will see from Geof's editorial, these are challenging times for the DSA. We are therefore urging those of you who value this bulletin and other services the DSA offer free of charge to the development studies community to support us by [joining as a member](#).

I would also like to remind you that 22<sup>nd</sup> April is the deadline to send us your Calls for Papers to go onto the website for those of you who are planning on convening an Open Panel for the Annual Conference. More information can be found on our [Conference webpage](#)

Very best wishes,

Frances Hill,  
Executive Director, DSA

### News from the DSA

### President's Message



Normally with these Bulletin pieces I like to address a current global theme and sound off! I hope you have enjoyed them. This month, the tone is different

and preoccupied with our own viability problems at the DSA. Cut to the chase: we are spending too much over our income and face a deficit (not yet a debt) in our budgeting unless we can expand and diversify our sources of income. And yet, we are frustrated because we think we can do so much more for the

development community and membership, and would like to do so. The DSA is the key convening space for scholars and practitioners of development in the UK, and is an international model. Alongside these financial woes, we continue to plan for the annual conference on 1<sup>st</sup> November at the Institute of Education in London. It will have a plenary focus upon post-2015 development scenarios, while maintaining an open call for the panels. We hope to see as many of you there as possible. Indeed our survival depends upon it! We need not only a show of solidarity, but paying participation! We, Council and Executive officers, are in an emergency period in order to try and bring in a balanced budget for 14-15. But we need the help of members and potential members as well.

Although other learned societies are also experiencing problems, our core problem is that unlike other learned societies, we do not own our own journal (or even several of them) although the Journal of International Development enjoys the privilege of being co-branded with us. We are seeking another urgent meeting with Wiley-Blackwell to discuss this. We also no longer have financial support from DFID as the current government does not fund conferences, networking and communications (our business). While we think this is mistaken policy, weakening the knowledge and evidence base of development thinking, it is our view that the DSA is an important resource for the evolution of government policy and practice in development, so we are looking for opportunities to re-link to DFID. Financially there seems to be a low elasticity of demand for DSA membership services, while members continue to tell us how much the DSA is valued. In forecasting our deficit, we have raised membership fees for individuals and institutions wef 14-15, but not by enough it seems. Colleagues are reluctant to pay the real conference costs too, perhaps having been lulled into a false sense of security by previous DFID largesse.

So what to do? To avoid closing down, Council is considering and acting upon several options: significantly expanded membership; restrict our 'free' services (e.g. this Bulletin, study group meetings) to members only; raise membership fees further (perhaps with means-tested fees like other learned societies rather than the present flat rate); ask key institutions with high turnover to make a larger contribution; seek contributions from other foundations and ethical corporate institutions who use development knowledge; co-brand with other journals to attract their contribution; build a network of contributions from publishers who use the Bulletin and the conference to build their cadre of authors, to know the latest themes and to advertise their output.

What can you, the Bulletin reader do? We estimate that @9000 people receive the Bulletin, and yet our current paying membership is @300. This is unfair on present members. So we urge as many of you Bulletin readers as possible to become members and thus maintain the Bulletin itself with all its event and publications advertising. Please help us by joining up via the DSA website **asap**. And feel free to suggest other survival options for **your** DSA.

What would I have written about? Tune next month to find out—but as a **member** reader this time!

Geof Wood,  
DSA President

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## DSA Subscription Fees

Firstly, after a period of eight years, we passed a motion to raise the annual subscription fees as of 1st January 2014. Individual membership has risen from £30 to £40, Concessionary from £15 to £20 and Institutional from between £134 to £400 depending on the membership level. Read [more](#).

## DSA Study Groups

### Call for papers: Ageing and Development Study Group

The next workshop for the DSA Ageing and Development Study Group will take place at HelpAge International's offices in London on the afternoon of 3rd June 2014. It will be on the topic of "NCDs and population ageing: a new priority for international development".

So far we have one confirmed speaker - Professor Shah Ebrahim from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. Please let me know if you would be interested in presenting a paper on this topic. [Read more...](#)  
Contact: Peter Lloyd-Sherlock ([p.lloyd-sherlock@uea.ac.uk](mailto:p.lloyd-sherlock@uea.ac.uk))

### DSA NGO study group Knowledge(s) in civil society organisations in development workshop

**Date:** 23-24 April 2014  
**Location:** University of Leeds

The DSA NGO study group, in conjunction with the BISA NGO working group, invite contributions to a workshop on 23-24 April in Leeds on the production and use of knowledge in civil society organisations. In development practice, CSOs often have the role of mediating between local and expert knowledge. In this context CSOs are considered to have a comparative advantage since they often have in-depth knowledge of local realities. Recently there has been pressure on CSOs to demonstrate evidence of the impact their work is having. This pressure has increased the knowledge production in CSOs and added to the volume that already exists in relation to CSOs advocacy work. The managing of knowledge production in CSOs is a challenging combination of value-based, issue-focused, managerial and academic aspirations, combined with questions related to capacity and research-practice relationships. [Read more...](#)

Please send an abstract of maximum 500 words including your name and affiliation by 10<sup>th</sup> March 2014 to: [tiina.t.kontinen@jyu.fi](mailto:tiina.t.kontinen@jyu.fi) and [erla.thrandardottir.1@city.ac.uk](mailto:erla.thrandardottir.1@city.ac.uk). Participants will be expected to produce a draft paper by 15th April for circulation amongst other participants.

### DSA Scotland Mini Conference

**Date:** Friday 30th May 2014, 10.30 am to 4.30 pm  
**Location:** University of Strathclyde  
*Announcement and Call for Papers further details to follow*

The next meeting of DSA Scotland is being planned for Friday 30th May 2014, and for the first time in a few years the 'annual' meeting is scheduled to be held in the University of Strathclyde in Glasgow. This is therefore an announcement and call for papers for this upcoming meeting.

The meeting will consist of three parts:

- Presentations by established researchers and by postgraduate research students – depending upon the offers of papers received
- A Presentation about the University of Strathclyde International Development Network followed by discussion
- Issues around the governance of DSA Scotland and its activities.

### Rising Powers Study Group

#### Launch Event! "The Rising Powers and Development Post-2015"

**Date:** London, 31 October-1 November 2014

We are pleased to announce a call for contributions and papers to a Rising Powers Study Group **workshop** on Friday 31st October 2014, and a **panel session** at the Annual Conference of the Development Studies Association on Saturday 1st October 2014.

The workshop will be held at the Open University London Centre (Camden) and run from 1-6pm (tbc). The workshop will comprise a plenary, papers, short country case studies and discussion sessions. Places will be booked in advance, with preference given to DSA members. We hope to organise a reception at the end of the workshop to formally launch the DSA Rising Powers Study Group. [Read more...](#)

## Journal of International Development Journal of the DSA



**Impact Factor:** 0.716  
**ISI Journal Citation Reports ©**  
**Ranking: 2012:** 36/55 (Planning and Development)



**Latest Issue – [March 2014](#)**

[Cattle, Diamonds And Institutions: Main Drivers Of Botswana's Economic Development, 1850 To Present](#)  
Ellen Hillbom

[Contending Developments: Local Notions Of Development On Siquijor Island, Philippines](#)  
Hannah Bulloch

[Extractive Multinationals And Corporate Social Responsibility: A Commitment Towards Achieving The Goals Of Sustainable Development Or Only A Management Strategy?](#) Dimitrios

Pesmatzoglou, Ioannis E. Nikolaou, Konstantinos I. Evangelinos and Stuart Allan

[The Role Of Trade Unions In Vietnam: A Case Study Of Small And Medium Enterprises](#)

Nina Torm

[Health Expectations And Health Achievements: Respiratory Tuberculosis In The Global Economy Between 1950 And 1980—A Developing Economy Perspective](#)

Sue Bowden and Alex Sadler

[Kerala's Food Security Status—A Probe](#)

Reshmy Nair

[Gender Inequality And Economic Growth: A Critical Review](#)

David Cuberes and Marc Teignier

[Fairtrade: Comment On Tedeschi And Carlson](#)

Peter Griffiths

[Audio Recording Of Household Interviews To Ensure Data Quality](#)

Julia Berazneva

## Events



### RGS-IBG Developing Areas Research Group (Darg) Annual Postgraduate Workshop 2014

#### Careers in the non-governmental organisation (NGO) sector

**Date:** Friday 9 May 2014

**Location:** Education Centre, Royal Geographical Society (with IBG).

Arrival from 9.30 for a 10.00 start, workshop ends at 17.15.

The workshop will bring together speakers from some of the UK's most influential universities and from the largest international NGOs in the world, creating a unique opportunity for postgraduate students to better consider and plan their future careers.

#### Booking Essential!

Places cost £14 and must be booked and paid [here](#)

Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Lunch and tea/coffee are included in the workshop fee.

#### Global Development Goals: What's Next?



Lecture Theatre 3WN 2.1, University of Bath

**Date:** Thursday 3rd April 2014, 6:15pm

**Admission free.** [Register for this event](#)

Speakers include:

- Graham Brown (CDS, Bath)
- Hugo Gorst-Williams (Department for International Development)
- Simon Maxwell (Overseas Development Institute)
- Phil Vernon (International Alert)
- Lee Webster (Womankind Worldwide)
- Seri Wendoh (International Planned Parenthood Federation)

## Latest Publications

**Institute of Development Studies**



### IDS Bulletin

#### New Perspectives from PhD Field Research

*Editors Jeremy Allouche, Marika Djolai, Eric Kasper, Rose Oronje, Ricardo Santos, Shilpi Srivastava and Linda Waldman*

IDS Bulletin Volume 45 No 1, March 2014

[Introduction: New Perspectives from PhD Field Research](#)

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**Overseas Development Institute**



### Journal Issues

**Development Policy Review:** [March 2014 Issue](#)

**Disasters:** [April 2014 issue](#)

- [Institutionalising community policing in Timor-Leste: police development in Asia's youngest country](#)

### Research articles

- [Developing state capacity to prevent malnutrition in Sierra Leone: An analysis of development partner support](#) – seeks to understand whether efforts to build government capacity to prevent malnutrition are 'fit for purpose', given the constraints faced and what is known about supporting capacity.
- [In the eye of the storm: An analysis of internal conflict in #SouthSudan's Jonglei State](#)

### Briefing Papers

- [Mind the gap: new disasters agreement must be more proactive on gender](#)

## Bibliography and Literature Reviews

- [The economics of climate change adaptation in Africa's water sector: a review and a way forward](#)

## Toolkits

- [Tools for bridging research and policy: the RAPID Context, Evidence, Links Framework](#)

## Research Reports

- [Building natural capital: how REDD+ can support a Green Economy](#)
- [Adaptation to Climate Change in Water, Sanitation and Hygiene - assessing risks, appraising options in Africa](#)
- [Planning for an uncertain future: promoting adaptation to climate change through Flexible and Forward-looking Decision Making](#)
- [The search for common ground: civil-military relations in Pakistan](#)
- [Humanitarian negotiations with armed non-state actors: key lessons from Afghanistan, Sudan and Somalia](#)
- [Review of evaluation approaches and methods used by interventions on women and girls' economic empowerment](#)
- [Measuring women's empowerment and social transformation in the post-2015 agenda](#)
- [The technical is political: understanding the political implications of sector characteristics for the delivery of sanitation services](#)
- [Rapid Review of DFID's Humanitarian Response to Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines](#)
- [What's behind the demand for governance? An assessment of people's views](#)
- [Developing state capacity to prevent malnutrition in Sierra Leone: An analysis of development partner support](#)
- [Implementing the Millennium Development Goals for all](#)
- [The Chronic Poverty Report 2014-2015: The road to zero extreme poverty](#)
- [Security and humanitarian crisis in Mali: the role of regional organisations](#)
- [Understanding the effects of resource degradation on socio-economic outcomes in developing countries](#)
- [Fighting HIV on all fronts: Reducing vulnerability by targeting migrants, their spouses and families in source and destination countries](#)
- [Humanitarian crises, emergency preparedness and response: the role of business and the private sector - Indonesia case study](#)
- [Conflict, climate change and politics: Why a techno-centric approach fails the resilience challenge](#)
- [Working politically: a story of change of the contribution of research evidence to the new Village Law in Indonesia](#)

## Opinion

- [World Water Day theme ignores the 'nuts and bolts' of progress](#)  
Roger Calow
- [The trouble with budget transparency](#)  
Rebecca Simson
- [Studies show: people want democracy to deliver the goods](#)
- [Alina Rocha Menocal, Gina Bergh, and Laura Rodriguez-Takeuchi](#)
- [Progress on gender inequality: how data can help](#)  
Nicola Jone
- [MSF's expulsion from Rakhine can only harm Myanmar's reform process](#)  
Lilianne Fan
- [How to win the argument on climate change: a five-point plan](#)  
Simon Maxwell
- [ODI's submission to the European Commission consultation: strengthening the role of the private sector in achieving inclusive and sustainable growth in developing countries](#)  
Alberto Lemma, Paula Lucci, Claudia Pompa, William Smith
- [Dare to prepare: taking disaster risk seriously](#)  
Courtenay Cabot Venton; Katie Peters
- [Finally, things have got interesting!](#)  
Simon Levine
- [Can Africa sustain its growth?](#)  
Dirk Willem te Velde
- [Four steps the UK should take to stop the CAR from turning into another Rwanda](#)  
Marcus Manuel
- [10 things not to do with climate aid](#)  
Katie Peters and Simon Levine

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Development and  
Economics Research**



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## Working Papers

- [Capacity development for the transformation of Africa](#)  
Frannie A. Léautier
- [The impact of democracy on economic growth in sub-Saharan Africa, 1982-2012](#)  
Takaaki Masaki and Nicolas van de Walle
- [Gendered perspectives on economic growth and development in sub-Saharan Africa](#)  
Stephanie Seguino and Maureen Were
- [Trade unions in an emerging economy: The case of South Africa](#)  
Haroon Borhat, Karmen Naidoo, and Derek Yu
- [Capitalism and African business cultures](#)  
Scott D. Taylor

- [The prospects for an imminent demographic dividend in Africa: The case for cautious optimism](#)  
Alaka M. Basu and Kaushik Basu
- [Informality, growth, and development in Africa](#)  
Nancy Benjamin and Ahmadou Aly Mbaye
- [Changes in land tenure and agricultural intensification in sub-Saharan Africa](#)  
Keijiro Otsuka and Frank Place
- [Dimensions of African inequality](#)  
Arne Bigsten
- [Can the context mediate macro-policy outcomes? Contextual differences in the returns to Bolsa Familia in Brazil](#)  
Nadia von Jacobi
- [Does foreign aid in education foster gender equality in developing countries?](#)  
Eugenie W. H. Maïga
- [The economics of malaria in Africa](#)  
Jean-Claude Berthélemy, Josselin Thuilliez
- [China-Africa co-operation in structural transformation: Ideas, opportunities, and finances](#)  
Justin Yifu Lin and Yan Wang
- [The colonial legacy: Income inequality in former British African colonies](#)  
A. B. Atkinson
- [Gender difference in support for democracy in sub-Saharan Africa: Do social institutions matter?](#)  
Maty Konte
- [Aid, employment, and poverty reduction in Africa](#)  
John Page and Abebe Shimeles
- [Development as diffusion: Manufacturing productivity and sub-Saharan Africa's missing middle](#)  
Alan Gelb, Christian J. Meyer, Vijaya Ramachandran
- [The structural anatomy and institutional architecture of inclusive growth in sub-Saharan Africa](#)  
Erik Thorbecke
- [Targeting social transfer programmes: Comparing design and implementation errors across alternative mechanisms](#)  
Rachel Sabates-Wheeler, Alex Hurrell, and Stephen Devereux

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## Gender in Political Economy Analysis

How is gender incorporated in political economy analysis, and which tools are used to do this? [View the response](#)

## Topic guide on Safety, Security and Justice

Safety, security and justice are priorities for poor people and are associated with development outcomes. What do we know about what has – or hasn't – worked in safety, security and justice programming, and where? This new Topic Guide for policymakers and practitioners synthesises the evidence, challenges and approaches that emerge from the literature. [Download the guide.](#)

## Prioritising and sequencing public sector reform:

Identify and summarise literature on prioritising and sequencing public sector reform in developing countries. Where possible, focus on policy and planning, public financial management (PFM) and civil service reform. [View the response.](#)

## General Publications

### Development Education in Policy and Practice

A comprehensive new edited text on development education which will be ideal for supporting courses, academic study and strengthening the work of practitioners. Development education is a radical form of learning that addresses the structural causes of poverty, inequality and injustice in the global North and South. It equips learners with the skills, values, attitudes and understanding needed to take effective action toward social change. A global cast of authors, which includes some of the foremost thinkers in the development education sector, provides an indispensable guide to a burgeoning area of education. They rigorously debate development education practice in the formal and informal education sectors and the policy environment in which it is delivered. For more click [here](#).

Published by Palgrave MacMillan, April 2014, £65.00

## Courses

### Results in Advocacy | Evaluation Training Course

Date: 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014 | London

'Results in Advocacy' has an acclaimed portfolio of international alumni. Over two days this new course takes participants on a journey through the advocacy evaluation landscape. The course begins by highlighting the unique challenges faced in advocacy evaluation, supporting participants to understand which approaches, methods and tools will work best for their contexts. Learn how to get the best from theory of change processes in advocacy evaluation and learn the key steps in Process Tracing, a rigorous non-experimental advocacy impact assessment approach. [Learn more.](#)

## **Masters in International Development** University of Sheffield

The Department of Geography hosts three interdisciplinary Masters Courses in International Development: The MA in International Development, The MPH in International Development and the MSc in Environmental Change and International Development bringing together expertise from geography, health, planning, environmental studies and development studies. A distinctive feature of all courses is their applied emphasis to ensure that students engage with the complexities of international development as played out in everyday life. We run a core field class (currently to Kenya, Nepal or Cairo) and organise a placement-based Dissertation providing students with the opportunity to work within a development organisation while undertaking research.

To find out more, we are holding an **Open Day on the 1<sup>st</sup> May 2014** at the Ron Johnston Research Room (RJRR), Department of Geography. [Contact us](#) for further inquiries.

## **Jobs and Opportunities**

View a list of all jobs and opportunities [here](#)

### **Limited Term Assistant Professor Position in Conflict and Development** **Simon Fraser University School for International Studies**

**Deadline:** May 16th, 2014

The School for International Studies invites applications from candidates in any social science discipline, for a one-year limited term position at the Assistant Professor level, in the field of Conflict and Development, starting in August 2014. The successful candidate will be expected to teach on insurgency and civil war, humanitarian intervention and peace-building at both graduate and undergraduate levels, and must also be ready to teach foundation courses in International Studies. Candidates will be expected to have expertise regarding a region of the developing world. In addition an ability to employ and teach mixed – quantitative and qualitative - methods will be an advantage. [Read more...](#)

### **Director position at the Institute of Biological, Environmental and Rural Sciences (IBERS)**

*Aberystwyth University*

**Deadline:** Friday, 11th April 2014

This is a rare opportunity for an exceptional individual, to lead an internationally renowned research and teaching Institute carrying out high-impact science in response to some of the global challenges facing society, including, food and water security, renewable energy, animal and plant diseases, and the impacts of climate change.

Reporting to the Vice-Chancellor, the successful applicant will combine a strong personal record of research and teaching with the strategic vision, leadership and management skills to exploit and leverage the existing strengths of IBERS, developing and expanding the scope and scale of its activities across the research and teaching & learning spectrum. [Read more...](#)

## **Call for Papers/Panels/Research**

### **Nordic Conference on Development Economics**

**Date:** 16-17 June 2014 in Helsinki, Finland.

*Alto University School of Business and UNU-WIDER in collaboration with the Nordic Network in Development Economics will organize the next Nordic Conference on Development Economics*

Stefan Dercon (UK Department for International Development) and Jean-Philippe Platteau (University of Namur) will give keynote presentations at the conference.

As in previous conferences, we look forward to receiving papers in any field in development economics both from researchers based in the Nordic countries and elsewhere. Young authors in particular are encouraged to submit their papers. Conference participants are expected to finance their travel and accommodation at their own expense or seek support from their home universities.

There will be no conference fee, and two lunches and a conference dinner will be offered to the conference participants.

**Deadline for submission of paper:** 15 April 2014.

**Decision on submission:** 15 May 2014.

*Please submit your application form online [here](#).*

### **Symposium call for papers: Post-war Development in Asia and Africa**

The 13th Annual Symposium of the Centre for Poverty Analysis ([CEPA](#)), Sri Lanka, organised in collaboration with the Secure Livelihoods Research Consortium (SLRC), aims to generate evidence led dialogue around processes of post-war development in Asia and Africa. The Symposium will be held on 1-3 September 2014, in Colombo, Sri Lanka. [Read more...](#)

### **Call for Contributors for *Policy and Practice* Issue 19**

The Centre for Global Education is inviting contributions to Issue 19 of our bi-annual, open access, peer-reviewed journal *Policy and Practice: A Development Education Review* ([developmenteducationreview.com](#)). This issue will be published in September 2014 based on an open call for papers which means that articles are not required to focus on a specific theme. Under this open call for papers, we are accepting submissions for the journal's Focus, Perspectives, Viewpoint and Review sections. While the journal will not have a fixed theme, authors must address a clearly defined aspect of development education policy and / or practice.

Articles should be submitted on or before **Monday, 7 July 2014**. Authors interested in submitting an article should send a 300 word précis to [stephen@centreforglobaleducation.com](mailto:stephen@centreforglobaleducation.com).

**For Students**

**Funded studentship : Northumbria University, Dept of Social Sciences and Languages**

The research will particularly focus on the gendered impacts of mining and mining conflict, an area that has had very little academic attention, despite a recognition by NGOs and practitioners that mining is not gender neutral, but impacts disproportionately upon women, particular poor and rural women (Oxfam Australia 2009; Macdonald and Rowland 2002; Mines Minerals and People 2003). Issues that might be addressed in this context include health (including mental health), violence against women, women's changing roles and livelihoods, and prostitution.

The research will be facilitated by the Principal Supervisor's established links with the Latin American Mining Monitoring Programme (LAMMP), the proposed partner organisation, whose extensive expertise and experience in the sector will support the student in selection of, and negotiation of access to, relevant communities in the Andes affected by actual and proposed mining developments. [Read more...](#)

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- Entries to be approximately 100 words in 9pt Arial font as a **Word Document only**
- Each entry to contain contact details and a web-link where appropriate.
- Send entries through to [web@devstud.org.uk](mailto:web@devstud.org.uk)

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