

DSA Bulletin



Welcome! November/December Edition DSA Bulletin...

President's Foreword



I am delighted to accept the position of President of the Association. It is almost 30 years since I joined DSA, at an excellent Annual Conference at UEA, and, having served on Council in the past, I am committed to building on the work of the DSA as a learned society with strong interests in policy, practice and action. There are two main issues that I address in this Foreword. The first is the year we are about to commence and how important 2015 will be for ideas and policies about international development. The second, closer to home, is the role and strategy of the Association itself. 2015 will see a series of important international gatherings for developing: the Finance for Development (FFD) in Addis Ababa in July; the post-2015 Summit in New York in September; and, the climate change Summit (COP) planned for December in

Paris. I reflect on the significance of these meetings and on changes in the processes and power influencing the negotiations and outcomes. For the DSA, our own priorities will be concerned with strengthening our membership base and core activities, including the study groups, representing the DSA membership in post-REF/REF 2020 reviews, plans for student and early career development activities and organising our annual conference (7 to 9 September 2015 at University of Bath). Please click [HERE](#) for the full text of the Foreword.

David Hulme
University of Manchester

News from the DSA

Premium Member Spotlight



After two years of operationalization, in October 2014, the Government of Rwanda launched the Fund for Environment and Climate Change, FONERWA. The purpose of this ground-breaking fund is to act as the engine for the next 50 years of green growth in Rwanda, mobilising and channelling domestic and international financing to public and private environment and climate change projects. The green fund supports projects that align with the country's commitment to a strong and prosperous green economy.

The Centre for International Development and Training (CIDT) of the University of Wolverhampton established FONERWA and put in place the Fund Management Team who provide technical and financial support to development of the best public and private sector projects. CIDT provide ongoing capacity development support including the development of a pool of specialised national consultants. The fund has operated across 4 calls for proposals; with 891 eligible concept notes submitted for funding and 18 projects approved for funding, at various stages of implementation. The \$25 million fund promises to be a strong catalyst for green growth in the coming years.

DSA Annual Conference 2014

Thank you to all those who attended the 2014 DSA Annual Conference in London.

The presentations area now available in our conference archive. > [view presentations from the conference archive](#)

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DSA Annual Conference 2015 – Hold the date 7th-9th September 2015

Subject to final confirmation, the next Annual Conference will be held at the University of Bath between the dates of 7th – 9th September 2015

DSA Study Group NEWS

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Gender, Policy and Practice

Gender Policy and Practice Study Group Workshop

Date: Tuesday January 27th 2015, 2-5pm
(Tea and coffee available from 1.30pm)
Seminar room 2, Resource for London, 356 Holloway Road,
London N7 6PA - [Directions](#)

Presentations:

- Tina Wallace – *Introduction and overview of the issues*
- Saranel Benjamin (Senior Programmes Officer, Informal Economy, War on Want) – *Changing narratives of gender in NGOs*
- Jasmine Gideon and Fenella Porter - *Instrumentalised narratives of gender in PPPs focused on health*

Visit the [study group webpage](#) for more information.

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Journal of the DSA



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ISI Journal Citation Reports ©
Ranking: 2013: 40/55 (Planning and Development)



Latest Issue [November 2014](#) – Special Issue: Policy Arena: Papers from DSA Conference, University of Birmingham, November 2013

[How Is Disaster Aid Allocated Within Poor Communities? Risk Sharing And Social Hierarchy](#)
Yoshito Takasaki

[Women's Empowerment As A Development Goal: Taking A Feminist Standpoint](#)
Sarah Mosedale

DSA Conference Special Issue

[Aid, Security And Development: Innovative Approaches](#)
Paul Mosley

[Security For All, Development For Some? The Incorporation Of Security In Uk's Development Policy](#)
Eamonn McConnon

[Challenges In Evaluating Development Communications: The Case Of A Street Theatre Programme To Address Racism](#)
Teresa Hanley

[The Short- And Long-Term Effects Of Development Projects: Evidence From Ethiopia](#)
Ivica Petrikova

[Who Wants To Give Forever? Giving Meaning To Sustainability In Development](#)
Ben Taylor

Conferences and Events



DPU Book Launch: A Somali Nation-State: history, culture and Somaliland's political transition

Date: 27th November 2014, 17:30-19:00 in G01, Central House, 14 Upper Woburn Place, London WC1H 0NN Entry free, no registration required.

In this new publication, [Dr Michael Walls](#) of the DPU offers a strong rebuttable to the narrative of conflict and state failure that is typically attached to Somali politics. In an area renowned for state failure and conflict, Somaliland's example is instructive both locally and regionally. A drinks reception will follow the opening panel discussion. [> Read more](#)

Book Launch: The Capability Approach: From Theory to Practice

Date: 5th December, 17:30-19:30 in Cruciform B404, Lecture Theatre 2, Gower Street, London WC1E 6BT Entry free, no registration required.

One of the main critiques against the capability approach is the difficulty of its application. How can the capability approach be 'brought out of the realm of ideas' to the 'realm of policy'? This event discusses these questions based on the recent book by Dr Solava Ibrahim (IDPM, Manchester) and Dr Meera Tiwari (UEL). They will be in conversation with Dr Alexandre Apsan Frediani, Julian Walker (DPU, UCL), Dr Tania Burchardt (LSE), and Dr Elaine Unterhalter (IoE). [> Read more](#)

INTRAC Webinar: Building Sustainability of Civil Society

Date: Thursday 4th December 2014, 12h00 – 14h00 (GMT)

A two-hour webinar following on from the INTRAC Building Sustainability of Civil Society workshop. This is an opportunity for practitioners from around the world to hear a summary of discussions that emerged from the workshop and contribute to new discussions by sharing practical experiences and lessons. Participation is free but spaces are limited to 40. Please register your interest in attending to: research@intrac.org

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Courses

MSc “Management and Information Systems: Change and Development” by Distance Learning IDPM, University of Manchester

The MSc in Management & Information Systems: Change and Development aims to create "hybrid" development professionals who mix management and information systems competencies. Hybrids are essential if development organisations are to successfully and strategically apply ICTs. Being taught by distance learning, this MSc allows study fellows to integrate learning direct into working practice, and to study at their own pace as other commitments allow. Applications are now being accepted for February 2015 entry: further details and application are [available online](#) or via email: richard.heeks@manchester.ac.uk

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Jobs and Opportunities

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Knowledge Management Coordinator

Company: ICMIF
Salary: £20K to £24K pa (depending on experience) + bonus

This is an ideal role for a postgraduate of a Development studies/ Research degree programme (Master or PhD) with a focus on insurance/ microinsurance and with experience in qualitative research who is looking to gain knowledge and experience within the Development department of an international insurance trade association. [Read more...](#)

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Calls for Papers

2015 i-Rec Conference: Reconstruction and Recovery in Urban Contexts

The DPU will host the 2015 i-Rec conference on disaster risk

reduction in urban context next July. The call for papers is now open, please visit the i-Rec pages within the DPU website form more information. [> Read more...](#)

For Students

Open Days for Doctoral Students

The [Social Sciences](#) event will take place on 23 February 2015. Students will learn about our collections, find out how to access them, and meet our expert staff as well as other researchers in their field. In addition to an understanding of the Library's collections, the students gain a wider introduction to the information landscape in their field and research opportunities opening up in digital information environment. Numbers are limited and, as these events are very popular, and early booking is encouraged..

For details of the all Open Days and how to book please see our [website](#). Places cost £5.00 and this includes lunch.

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Funding Opportunities

Urban Studies Foundation - International Fellowship

The Urban Studies Foundation is pleased to announce the next round of funding for its International Fellowship. We would be grateful if you could circulate the attached information to staff and postdoctoral students within your institution who may find it of interest. Further Particulars and an Application Form are available to download from the [Foundation's website](#). The closing date for applications is 6th March 2015.

The Growth and Economic Opportunities for Women (GrOW) program is pleased to announce a new call for research proposals, on the effects of patterns of growth on women's economic empowerment. This aims to generate new evidence on the impact of specific growth patterns, and which public policies and interventions can ensure that the positive effects of growth on women's empowerment are enhanced.

Please have a look at this call, at IDRC's [competitions page](#). Through this call, we hope to identify a consortium to undertake six to eight projects within this topic. There is also scope for funding one to two individual research projects.

Applications must be submitted by 17:00 (GMT)/12:00 (EST) on **February 23, 2015**, through the IDRC online application process.

The GrOW program is a joint initiative of DFID UK, The Hewlett Foundation, and IDRC. For more information please visit our website at: www.idrc.ca/grow.

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Publications

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Working Papers

[Policy co-ordination and growth traps in a middle-income country setting: The case of South Africa](#)

Haroon Borhat, Aalia Cassim, and Alan Hirsch

[Growth, poverty, and inequality: The case study of Cameroon](#)

Samuel Fambon, Andy McKay, Joseph-Pierre Timnou, Olive Stéphanie Kouakep, Anacleto Dzossa, and Romain Tchakoute

[The practice of industrial policy – Lessons for Africa: Case studies of decentralized co-ordination in China](#)

Hinh T. Dinh

[It worked in China, so why not in Africa? The political economy challenge of Special Economic Zones](#)

Thomas Farole and Lotta Moberg

[Monetary inequality among households in Togo: An illustration based on the decomposition of the Gini coefficient using the Shapley value approach](#)

Yawo Agbényégan Noglo

[Consumption bundle aggregation in poverty measurement: Implications for poverty and its dynamics in Uganda](#)

Bjorn Van Campenhout, Haruna Ssekabira, and Dede H. Aduayom

[The centre cannot hold: Patterns of polarization in Nigeria](#)

Fabio Clementi, Andrew L. Dabalen, Vasco Molini, and Francesco Schettino

[Cost and impact analysis of sea level rise on coastal Vietnam](#)

Paul S. Chinowsky, Amy E. Schweikert, and Niko L. Strzepek

[South Africa's emerging black middle class: A harbinger of political change?](#)

Robert Mattes

[Multi-dimensional poverty analysis for Tanzania: First order dominance approach with discrete indicators](#)

Channing Arndt, Vincent Leyaro, and Kristi Mahrt

[Aid, political business cycles and growth in Africa](#)

Blessing M. Chiripanhura and Miguel Niño-Zarazúa

[The fall of the elephant: Two decades of poverty increase in Côte d'Ivoire \(1988-2008\)](#)

Denis Cogneau, Kenneth Hounbedji, and Sandrine Mesplé-Soms

[Multidimensional poverty in Nigeria: First order dominance approach](#)

Olu Ajakaiye, Afeikhena T. Jerome, Olanrewaju Olaniyan, Kristi Mahrt, and Olufunke A. Alaba

[Supply-side constraints, capital goods imports, and the quality of Sub-Saharan African countries' exports](#)

Catherine Y. Co

[The provision of global liquidity: The global reserve system](#)

José Antonio Ocampo

[Tenure insecurity, climate variability, and renting-out decisions among female small-holder farmers in Ethiopia](#)

Wisdom Akpalu and Mintewab Bezabih

[Fast-food consumption and child body mass index in China: Application of an endogenous switching regression model](#)

Wisdom Akpalu and Xu Zhang

[Growth, poverty and inequality in Rwanda: A broad perspective](#)

Marijke Verpoorten

[Multidimensional welfare in districts of Zambia: A first order dominance approach](#)

Gibson Masumbu and Kristi Mahrt

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Bárbara Montoro and Pedro Ferradas

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Journals

[Food Chain call for papers](#)

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[Gender](#)

Topic Guide

This popular Topic Guide has recently been updated to incorporate new publications and emerging issues. It introduces some of the best recent literature on a range of gender issues and highlights major critical debates. It is intended primarily as a reference for policymakers and highlights practical guidance, lessons learned and case studies.

[Conflict Sensitivity](#)

Topic Guide

Violent conflict is the subject of this topic guide, which has recently been updated. The guide provides an overview of key topics ranging from the causes, dynamics and impacts of conflict to options for interventions to prevent, manage and respond to conflict. It highlights key issues and debates for each topic covered and identifies relevant references.

[Alternative dispute resolution in developing countries](#)

Helpdesk Research Report

This report identifies mechanisms for helping businesses to effectively resolve commercial disputes in developing countries. It finds that dispute resolution mechanisms can be arranged in a continuum. At one end are processes like which are formal, inflexible, and adversarial, and which depend on neutral third parties to decide the outcome of the process, such as litigation in court, where the outcome is decided by a judge. At the other end are increasingly informal, flexible, and consensual processes such as mediation and negotiation.

[Donor action on women's employment in ASEAN countries](#)

Helpdesk Research Report

This report provides an overview of donors' recent and current attempts to improve women's participation and conditions in the ASEAN workforce. It finds that little has been attempted, but isolated success stories highlight some findings.

[Social protection programmes for people with disabilities](#)

Helpdesk Research Report

This report gives an overview of nine social protection programmes for people with disabilities. The programmes are all run by governments of low income or lower middle income states in Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia. Where available, information is provided on the design of the programme, and the way in which disability is defined and assessed for the purposes of eligibility.

General Publications

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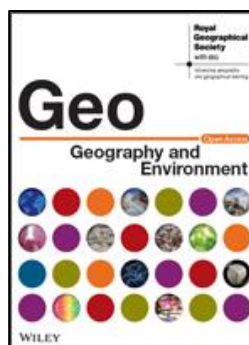
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