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President's foreword

Dear Colleagues
Let's start with a reminder...the discounted **Early Bird Booking Rate for the 2015 DSA Conference** at the University of Bath (7-8th September) **closes on 9th July**. You can register via the [DSA site](#).

The conference is shaping up incredibly well – we have keynotes from James Ferguson and Branko Milanovic confirmed and a great set of panels (take a look at the provisional programme on the conference page of the [DSA site](#), to see the riches that are in store). On the Monday evening there is excellent food, outstanding conversation, music and, for those who are feeling energetic, dancing. The Bath team cannot guarantee sunshine for the whole of the conference...but, the probability is very high. Register now or regret at leisure!

The other big DSA news is that NomadIT (headed by Rohan Jackson) are now administering the Association and we have had a smooth 'handover' of systems. At the Council meeting this week Council members will be starting to look at ways of improving the services that DSA provides to its members including revamping the website. If you have ideas as to what the priorities should be and/or how to improve these services, including the website, then please email me at [president\(at\)devstud.org.uk](mailto:president(at)devstud.org.uk) or

Rohan at [membershipadmin\(at\)devstud.org.uk](mailto:membershipadmin(at)devstud.org.uk) so we can include them in the initial discussions.

I attended the Academy of Social Sciences (AcSS) CEO's Meeting last week on behalf of DSA and tabled the issue of

narrowing of what is seen as policy relevant research. Random control trials (RCTs) and large 'n' studies are seen as the only forms of analysis that are valued. This turned out to be not just a problem for Development Studies but for the Social Sciences more generally. Interestingly, colleagues who work on UK domestic issues reported this process as deeply engrained (almost institutionalised) and pushing out mixed methods and qualitative research – especially in Education. Take a look at www.gov.uk/what-works-network to see the ways in which 'research as evidence' (supported by £200 million plus of grants) is reshaping research across the Social Sciences. Working with AcSS and the British Academy to ensure that the policy relevance of all forms of empirically (and theoretically) rigorous research is understood will be an important activity for the Association.

Finally, if you are feeling depressed by recent news (massacres in Kuwait, Tunisia and the US alongside other atrocities...and, the consequences of austerity in Greece) then (i) read Angus Deaton's book *The Great Escape* – things have been and are getting better for most of humanity at an unprecedented rate... just look at the data (ii) and, if you want to try an alternative to media that only report 'bad news' log on to www.positivenews.org.uk – part of a move by journalists seeking to escape the mainstream media's need to only report disasters and evil acts. Alongside the bad stuff lots of good things are happening across the world today!

Best wishes,

David Hulme
DSA President

News from the DSA

DSA Annual Conference

DSA Annual Conference "Global Development as Relationship: Dependence, Interdependence or Divide?"

Date: 7-8th September 2015

Location: University of Bath, UK

You can download the draft timetable and book of abstracts from the [conference page](#) on the DSA site. N.B. these are drafts, and may change slightly.

Early-bird registration rate ends on **9th July** and University accommodation bookings must be made by 10th July. So please book now so as not to miss this exciting event!

[Register for the conference](#)
by next Thursday

DSA Call for Council nominations

The 2015 DSA Council elections will be held under the terms of the DSA Constitution as approved at the 2013 AGM.

The call for nominations can be downloaded from the DSA homepage as [a PDF](#).

DSA Premium Members

Welcome to our Premium Members!

The DSA currently has nine premium members, and hopes to increase this over the coming months. Premium membership is a way by which your department/institution can 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 department is interested to join the list below, please email [president\(at\)devstud.org.uk](mailto:president(at)devstud.org.uk).

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New DSA-OUP Book series

The Development Studies Association of the UK and Ireland is pleased to announce that it is launching a book series on *Critical Frontiers of Theory, Research and Practice in International Development Studies*, to be published by Oxford University Press.

The series profiles research monographs that will shape the theory, practice, and teaching of international development for a new generation of scholars, students, and practitioners.

The objective is to set high quality standards within the field of development studies to nurture and advance the field, as is the central mandate of the DSA.

Critical scholarship is especially encouraged, within the spirit of development studies as an interdisciplinary and applied field, with a classical focus on national and global processes of accumulation and structural transformation, and associated political, social, and cultural change. In this manner, the series seeks to promote a range of applied theory and empirics based on the analysis of historical development experiences, as was the methodological and epistemological strength of classical development studies.

The focus on single-authored manuscripts, in the range of 70-100 thousand words, is seen as providing an ideal model for achieving this objective given that they allow for longer elaborations of theory, data and analysis, as well as greater accessibility than journal articles. The series will also offer the possibility of a 'Gold' model for open access publication if this is desired by authors and/or required by funders.

The founding editors of the series are Andrew Fischer (Institute of Social Studies, The Hague), Uma Kothari (Manchester University), and Giles Mohan (Open University). All three are DSA council members. They can be contacted for further information about the series or for discussing prospective book proposals through the email address: [dsabookseries\(at\)devstud.org](mailto:dsabookseries(at)devstud.org)

At OUP, Adam Swallow, Commissioning Editor for Economics and Development, will work with the series editors, coordinating the review process and publishing arrangements: 'We are looking forward to working with the DSA to establish and promote an exciting range of titles that will engage and influence development thinking.'

See the announcement on the [DSA website](#).

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DSA Study Group News

Disability and Development Study Group

The Sustainable Development Goals and the Engagement with Disabled People

Date: 8th September 2015

Location: University of Bath, UK

2015 is an exciting year for international development, and disability in particular, with the SDGs heralding a potentially transformative opportunity for person with disabilities and research in the field, as it is anticipated that disability will be explicitly included in the SDGs, generating innovative new research agendas and opportunities.

The DSA Disability and Development Study Group will hold its second meeting during the DSA conference at the University of

Bath on the 8th September. 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 variety of aspects of international development including poverty alleviation, vulnerability, participation, social policy and global governance.

The meeting will take place during the lunch break (12:30-14:00), immediately after the Disability and Development Study Group's panel (F3).

For more information contact the Disability and Development Study Group Convener, Dr Raymond Lang r.lang@ucl.ac.uk

New Environment/natural resources/climate change Study Group

Anyone interested in forming/joining a new DSA Study Group on environment/natural resources/climate change is invited to come along to an informal discussion at 11.30am before the conference starts on Monday 7th September at the University of Bath. Please contact Fiona Nunan, f.s.nunan@bham.ac.uk, if you're planning to come along or if you're interested but can't make it to the conference.

Conferences and Events

Upcoming Conferences

Launch of the Academy of Social Sciences* Publication 'Making the Case for the Social Sciences 10: Wales'

Keynote speaker: Alun Cairns MP, Minister of State for Wales
Date: 12.30-2pm, Tue 14th July, (Buffet lunch from 12 Noon)
Location: BIS Conference Centre, 1 Victoria Street, SW1H 0ET

The document "Making the Case for the Social Sciences: Wales" is part of our series of publications "Making the Case for Social Sciences" and focuses on Welsh social science research. Amongst the topics covered in the publication are: Public Opinion and Welsh Devolution; preventing teenagers taking up smoking; enhancing the capacity to act and democratic accountability of parish, town and community councils and human rights of children and young people in Wales. It has been prepared in collaboration with the leading Welsh social science research centres: Wales Institute of Social and Economic Research, Data and Methods (WISERD) and the Research Institute for Applied Social Sciences (RIASS).

Our keynote speaker leads on higher education at the Wales Office and is MP for the Vale of Glamorgan and a fluent Welsh language speaker. He was formerly Shadow Minister for Education, Lifelong Learning and Skills in the Welsh National Assembly.

The event will take the form of a keynote speech from the Minister and two or three short presentations from contributors to the publication. This will be followed by questions and discussion from the floor.

Spaces are limited and as we usually have around 100 opinion leaders and policy makers in attendance, you are advised to respond promptly to ensure a place.

If you have any questions please contact Monika Dziejguc at the Campaign for Social Science Conference Desk on 020 8542 7622 or email acss@vistaevents.co.uk

* The Academy of Social Sciences is the national academy of academics, learned societies and practitioners in the social sciences. Its mission is to promote social science in the United Kingdom.

Advanced Training workshop announcement and call for papers: Negotiating politics and policy: Exploring the challenges of research in developing countries

See the item under [Students](#) further down this bulletin.

International Summer School in Forced Migration

Date: 6-24 July 2015

Location: Oxford Department of International Development, 3 Mansfield Road, Oxford OX1 3TB / Wadham College, Parks Road, Oxford OX1 3PN

The International Summer School in Forced Migration fosters dialogue between academics, practitioners and policymakers working to improve the situation of refugees and forced migrants. The Summer School offers an intensive, interdisciplinary and participative approach to the study of forced migration. It aims to enable people working with refugees and other forced migrants to reflect critically on the forces and institutions that dominate the world of the displaced.

The three-week course combines the very best of Oxford University's academic excellence with a stimulating and participatory method of critical learning and reflection.

[Read more.](#)

Humanitarian Innovation Conference 2015: Facilitating Innovation

Dates: 17-18 July 2015

Location: Keble College, University of Oxford

The Humanitarian Innovation Project is delighted to announce the 2015 Humanitarian Innovation Conference, in partnership with the World Humanitarian Summit. Hosted in Oxford on 17 & 18 July 2015, the theme of this year's conference is 'facilitating innovation'. As interest and dialogue around humanitarian innovation continues to expand, conference participants are invited to explore the challenges of creating an enabling environment for humanitarian innovation.

In the lead up to the World Humanitarian Summit, a key focus of the conference will explore how we enable innovation by and for affected communities. What does it mean to take a human-centred approach seriously, and to engage in co-creation with affected populations? It will also seek to examine what facilitation means across the wider humanitarian ecosystem, and how we can better convene the collective talents of people within and across traditional and non-traditional humanitarian actors.

Registration deadline: 1 July 2015

[Click here](#) to read more then register for the conference.

Courses

IDS Teaching and Training

Engaging Your Policy Audiences 2015

Date: Wed 22nd July

Location: Institute of Development Studies, University of Sussex

Back due to popular demand, this one day short course on engaging your policy audiences will provide participants with

practical advice on how you can reach the right people, at the right time, through the right channels.

[Read more and book a place.](#)

London International Development Centre

Date: 9-13 November 2015

Location: London

Our highly anticipated **Evaluation for Development Programmes short course** returns for a second year, taking place from 9-13 November 2015! Keen to gain a comprehensive background in evaluation methods for development programmes? Interested in developing your own evaluation

protocol to apply your learning to a contemporary development problem? [If so, sign up for our course today!](#)

The short course will cover a range of topics including: what is evaluation? Why evaluate? An introduction to systematic reviews and the politics of fieldwork.

Last year's course was attended by a range of people from different backgrounds including development professionals who commission and use evaluation studies, academics who plan to work on future evaluation studies of development programmes and PhD students who are looking to advance their understanding of the fundamentals of evaluation methods.

Please [follow this link](#) if you wish to apply! We are accepting applications until 14 August 2015.

Africa: Sustainable Development for All?

The **Centre for Sustainable International Development** at the University of Aberdeen has developed a free six-week course entitled *Africa: Sustainable Development for All?*

The course ran in June but will run again in September and next January.

[See here](#) for more information.

For Students

**Advanced Training workshop announcement and call for papers
Negotiating politics and policy: Exploring the challenges of research in developing countries**

Date: Wed 9th September

Location: University of Bath, 3WN 3.7

Deadline for abstracts 31st July 2015

This one-day workshop is designed for PhD and MRes students who have conducted or plan to conduct in fieldwork in developing countries. It provides participants with an opportunity to share experiences, develop ideas about methodological issues, and to hear the perspectives of policy-makers, practitioners and experienced academics. The event will focus on two key themes:

- **The challenges of conducting research in developing countries** – developing cultural and political sensitivity, reading political change, applying ethical frameworks to developing country contexts, security challenges, working with research assistants.
- **Negotiating the tensions of doing policy-related research** – presenting critical findings, collaborating and managing relationships with external agencies (e.g. donor agencies, NGOs, universities) during the research process, issues for researchers from developing countries.

The free one-day workshop is funded by the South West Doctoral Training Centre and is conducted in collaboration with the Development Studies Association, following their annual conference which will be held in Bath on 7-8th September 2015. The event is free and open to doctoral students from all institutions. The workshop is limited to 30 participants, so please book your place as soon as possible by emailing the workshop convenor Dr. Oliver Walton o.e.walton(at)bath.ac.uk.

Paper submissions on either of the 2 main themes are invited from research students. A selection of papers will be presented in each of the three sessions. Abstracts (max 400 words) should be submitted to o.e.walton(at)bath.ac.uk before the 31st July. We

will explore the possibility of developing papers into an edited volume after the event.

The workshop will include a combination of key note presentations, academic/practitioner/student panel discussions, and paper presentations from students. Lunch, buffet dinner and refreshments are provided free of charge. A provisional schedule is outlined below:

Provisional workshop schedule

8.45-9.00	Registration and coffee
9.00-9.45	Welcome and keynote presentation (TBC)
9.45-11.15	Session 1 – The political challenges of conducting research in developing countries (2-3 academic/practitioner/research student presentations)
11.15-11.30	Break
11.30-13.00	Session 2 - Negotiating the tensions of doing policy-related research (2-3 presentations by academics/practitioner/research students)
13.00-14.00	Catered Lunch
14.00-15.30	Session 3 – Perspectives from the field (paper presentations from current research students)
15.30-15.45	Break
15.45-17.30	Wrap-up session and concluding remarks
18.00-19.30	Drinks and dinner

Publications

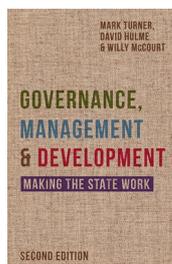


Governance, Management and Development

Making the State Work

Mark Turner, David Hulme, Willy McCourt

This extensively revised edition of the authors' successful textbook *Governance, Administration and Development* updates its framework and analysis in light of the changed context of the twenty-first century. It continues to provide a comprehensive introduction to public policy and management in developing countries and transitional economies while also taking account of changes in the theory and practice of development management since the first edition. The authors emphasize the role of the state within development, paying careful attention to contemporary approaches and to changing attitudes towards the state. This involves examining the nature of the policy process, civil service reform, planning and decentralization, as well as showing the changing nature of the



state's involvement in promoting economic development and its engagement with civil society.

The authors explore the diverse and often turbulent environments in which development management must take place, including the widespread problems of law and order, paying attention to the opportunities and constraints of such environmental influences. They also consider the various meanings of development, and how different interpretations can impact its administration, management and relative success.

Illustrated throughout with case studies based on the authors' considerable experience as academics and consultants for a range of international agencies, and including an entirely new chapter on law and order, this popular text is essential reading for students and practitioners alike.

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[Unlocking Innovation: Enabling and blocking factors in developing innovative programmes in Oxfam GB](#)

James Whitehead

How can a development and humanitarian NGO like Oxfam GB nlock its people, knowledge, networks, partnerships and resources to achieve greater impact at scale? This report considers examples of innovation in Oxfam GB's programmes; what factors have been important in their success, and how innovation could be fostered.

[Fit for the Future? Development trends and the role of international NGOs](#)

Duncan Green

How is our understanding of development changing? What are the implications of these changes for the future role of

international non-government organizations (NGOs)? This short paper summarizes the main global trends in international development and then examines some pressing questions for international NGOs.

[Financing the Sustainable Development Goals: Lessons from government spending on the MDGs](#)

Matthew Martin, Jo Walker

Beyond 2015, the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) will require at least \$1.5 trillion extra each year. Based on lessons from tracking country budgets, this report looks at how the SDGs should be financed and makes a number of suggestions.

[Let Them Eat Coal: Why the G7 must stop burning coal to tackle climate change and fight hunger](#)

Kiri Hanks, Julie-Anne Richards

To set the tone for a successful climate agreement at the UN talks in Paris in December, the G7 must set out clear plans for a just transition away from coal. This Oxfam briefing paper shows how with the right mix of regulatory and policy measures, some countries can move to coal-free electricity grids within the next decade.

[Towards a Fair and Just Fiscal Policy in Pakistan](#)

Vaqar Ahmed, Mustafa Talpur, Sadaf Liaqa

Pakistan does not currently mobilize sufficient tax revenue to finance essential public services. This paper explains the four basic elements necessary for a fair and just tax regime, which, if implemented, would strengthen the domestic revenue base, increase equity and improve overall development outcomes.

[Africa: Rising for the few](#)

Claire Godfrey

Securing Africa's economic rise will be top of the agenda at the 25th World Economic Forum-Africa in Cape Town. Oxfam is calling on business and political leaders to demand an intergovernmental tax body to reform the global tax rules so that multinational companies pay their fair share of tax in Africa.

[Money Talks: Africa at the G7](#)

Claire Godfrey

If G7 leaders are serious about supporting Africa's growth and poverty reduction, they must support ambitious commitments on tax and aid - including comprehensive reform of the global tax rules - leading up to the UN Financing for Development Conference in Addis Ababa in July.

[Oxfam in Action: Community-Based Monitoring to Ensure Right to Food in Odisha](#)

Savvy Soumya Misra

Oxfam has been supporting the Right To Food (RTF) Campaign in Odisha since 2013, working to create a team of volunteers who empower the community to demand and access the RTF food schemes and monitor the implementation of the same.

[The Age of Development: Mission accomplished or RIP?](#)

Duncan Green

This discussion paper summarises the evidence and debates for a 'cup half full' interpretation of development, which argues that poverty can be abolished within a matter of years.

[Financing Healthcare for All in India: Towards a Common Goal](#)

Oommen C. Kurian

This paper explores available evidence, contextualises and maps the debate in India around financing healthcare for all.

[Is South Africa Operating in a Safe and Just Space? Using the doughnut model to explore environmental sustainability and social justice](#)

Megan Cole

This paper uses Oxfam's 'doughnut model' to describe the multi-dimensional nature of poverty and environmental change, providing a snapshot of South Africa's current position against the suggested set of domains and indicators.

[Harmless Harvest: How sustainable agriculture can help ASEAN countries adapt to a changing climate](#)

Maria Dolores Bernabe

This policy brief asserts that the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) can help poor farmers and fisherfolk in the region adapt to climate change through programmes promoting sustainable agriculture and agro-ecology.

[Cash Coordination in the Philippines: A review of lessons learned during the response to super Typhoon Haiyan](#)

Gabrielle Smith

The Cash Learning Partnership (CaLP) and UNHCR commissioned this review in order to document lessons learnt on the effectiveness of cash coordination during the initial three to four months of the response to Typhoon Haiyan, and to provide recommendations on inter-agency and cross-sectoral coordination.

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RSC Working Paper 109
Christina Kovacs
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Public sector governance reform involves institutional reform – that is, changing the rules and norms that govern public sector activity. How can policymakers and practitioners support institutional reform to improve the performance of the state? What do we know about what has – or hasn't – worked, and where? This Topic Guide synthesises the evidence, debates and lessons that emerge from the literature.

[Capacity building in the Ministry of Interior in fragile and post-conflict countries](#)

Helpdesk Research Report

This report reviews the literature engaging with a key issue, the reform of the Ministry of Interior (Moi) in fragile and post-conflict countries. The literature reviewed analyses case studies that

include Afghanistan, Iraq, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), and Central and Eastern European Countries (CEECs). The case studies highlight a range of challenges and problems in international actors' actions, such as organisational and political resistance, a lack of adaptation to local circumstances and a lack of coordination. The literature consistently recommends that international donors and agencies should work more politically and comprehensively to deal with the social and political embeddedness of the Moi.

[The multilateral system's contribution to international development goals on governance](#)

Helpdesk Research Report

This report identifies the international development goals on governance, and the roles of different multilateral players at national, regional and international level. Two key challenges to the effectiveness of the overall multilateral system, which impact

on its contribution to governance goals identified are: 1) how to ensure effective, representative and coherent global governance for international development goals, and 2) how to end the proliferation of organisations and funds, and earmarked funds.

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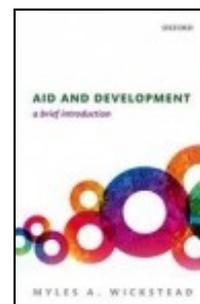
General publications

Aid and Development. A Brief Introduction

OUP

Written by Myles A. Wickstead (Open University and King's College London)

- Clearly written and accessible to appeal to the specialist and general reader alike
- Authoritative account written by an author with detailed first-hand knowledge of aid and development
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Jobs and Opportunities

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The School for International Studies wishes to appoint a development economist/economic historian/comparative political economist to a two-year limited term position, from 1 September 2015. The successful candidate, who must have substantive knowledge and research experience in Africa, or Asia, or Europe or Latin America, will contribute to undergraduate and graduate teaching in development and economic history.

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