

Summer 2017



Dear all,

Welcome to the Summer 2017 Development Studies Association Student newsletter, I hope you're all having a great summer!

DSA2017: Sustainability Interrogated: societies, growth and social justice University of Bradford, 6th to 8th September 2017

The DSA's annual conference is coming up soon! While encompassing a broad range of development studies interests, this year's focus is Sustainability Interrogated: Societies, Growth, and Social Justice. The conference hopes to have 400 or more participants from the Development Studies community for three days of panels, keynotes, study group business meetings and social events. In addition to the discussions and networking, conference participants will be able to enjoy multi-cultural Bradford's world leading South Asian cuisine, explore the Victorian model village of nearby Saltaire and see David Hockney's paintings at the gallery in Saltaire. There will be 58 different panel sessions covering a wide range of topics and our keynote speakers include Michael Redclift, Shanta Devarajan, Kevin Anderson and Marianna Mazucato.

Registration is still open and you can register [here](#).

Study groups

Just a reminder that the DSA has a number of study groups open to students. You can 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.

Events

EADI Nordic Conference 2017: Globalisation at the Crossroads 20th-23rd August in Bergen, Norway.

The conference is a partnership between EADI (European Association of Development Research and Training Institutes), NFU (Norwegian Association of Development Research), the University of Bergen (UiB) and the Chr. Michelsen Institute (CMI).

Online registration is still open, see [here](#).

2017 DSA student Facebook group

If you haven't already joined the DSA 2017 student Facebook group do so now - [here](#)!

The Facebook group gives access to more timely information - and please do post anything to the group you feel may be of interest to other fellow UK based development studies students and researchers.

Ideas for DSA student specific events

Finally, the DSA is interested in getting your ideas for student specific events. What would you find helpful? Are there topics you're interested in that aren't covered by your university? Please get in touch with Sarah at [sgpeck1\(at\)sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:sgpeck1(at)sheffield.ac.uk) or via Facebook with any ideas.

We also welcome suggestions for other ways that the DSA can best support its student members, so do get in touch.

Congratulations

Last but definitely not least - a very well done to this year's winners of the **DSA/ICEA Masters dissertation prize**. The 2017 DSA/ICEA dissertation prize has been awarded jointly to **Henna Akram of SOAS** and **Paul Fenton Villar of UEA**, for their work "Are private schools delivering better education? An empirical analysis of the differences in academic achievement between children in private and public schools in Pakistan" and "Evaluating the impact of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI) on corruption in Zambia" respectively. The prize includes £1000 and an invitation to present the findings of the dissertation at the DSA's annual conference. Congratulations to Henna and Paul! Find out more about the dissertation prize [here](#).

Best wishes

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