



development studies
association

DSA AGM 2024

28 June 2024

Agenda



- Welcome
- Approval of minutes from AGM 2023
- Annual Trustee's Report
- President's Report
- PGT and PGR prizes
- Nominations and Council elections
- Any Other Business



Welcome and thanks.....

- Winfred Nyokabi, Rohan Jackson and the NomadIT team for their work in organizing and running DSA2024
- Our conference volunteers
- Mike Jennings, the conference convenor & SOAS colleagues
- Our conference sponsors: SOAS, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Oxford Development Studies* & *Journal of International Development*...and publishing partners OUP
- Our Treasurer, Shailaja Fennell, Secretary, Jonathan Fisher & Communications Officer, Rowena Harding
- Outgoing DSA Council members: Naila Kabeer, Ingrid Kvangraven



Apologies from Council members

Approval of minutes from AGM 2023
(Hybrid – University of Reading)



Budget

Development Studies Association

Statement of Financial Activities for the Year Ended 31 January 2024

	Notes	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted funds £	2024 Total funds £	2023 Total funds £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM					
Donations and legacies		568	-	568	1,063
Charitable activities					
Promotion of development research		203,327	-	203,327	127,980
Investment income	2	269	-	269	451
Total		<u>204,164</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>204,164</u>	<u>129,494</u>
EXPENDITURE ON					
Raising funds		11	-	11	-
Charitable activities					
Promotion of development research		198,077	-	198,077	127,301
Other		3,973	-	3,973	468
Total		<u>202,061</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>202,061</u>	<u>127,769</u>
NET INCOME		2,103	-	2,103	1,725
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS					
Total funds brought forward		134,140	-	134,140	132,415
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		<u><u>136,243</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>136,243</u></u>	<u><u>134,140</u></u>

Treasurer's proposals



1. The AGM accepts the accounts as presented.

Seconded:

Show of hands in favour, against, abstention

2. We use Sterling Partners again to prepare our accounts next year.

Seconded:

Show of hands in favour, against, abstention

President's Report I: Progress & plans against objectives



Objective	2023-24 Progress	2024-25 Plans
<p><i>1. Advance connections to deepen understanding of development</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSA2024 • Study groups • DSA-OUP book series • Webinars: Decolonisation & Africa Charter • Joint event to mark 50th Anniversary of EADI 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DSA2025 (Bath) • Webinars • Study Groups
<p><i>2. Raise profile of the UK DS community and provide a platform for its collective voice</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comms –FoE statement with Council • Growth of social media channels, use of blogs, outreach to stakeholders • AcSS funding for EDI work • Journal update: JDS link 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Comms: continued roll-out of strategy • New process for nominations to AcSS Fellowships • Webinars

President's Report II:

Progress & plans against objectives

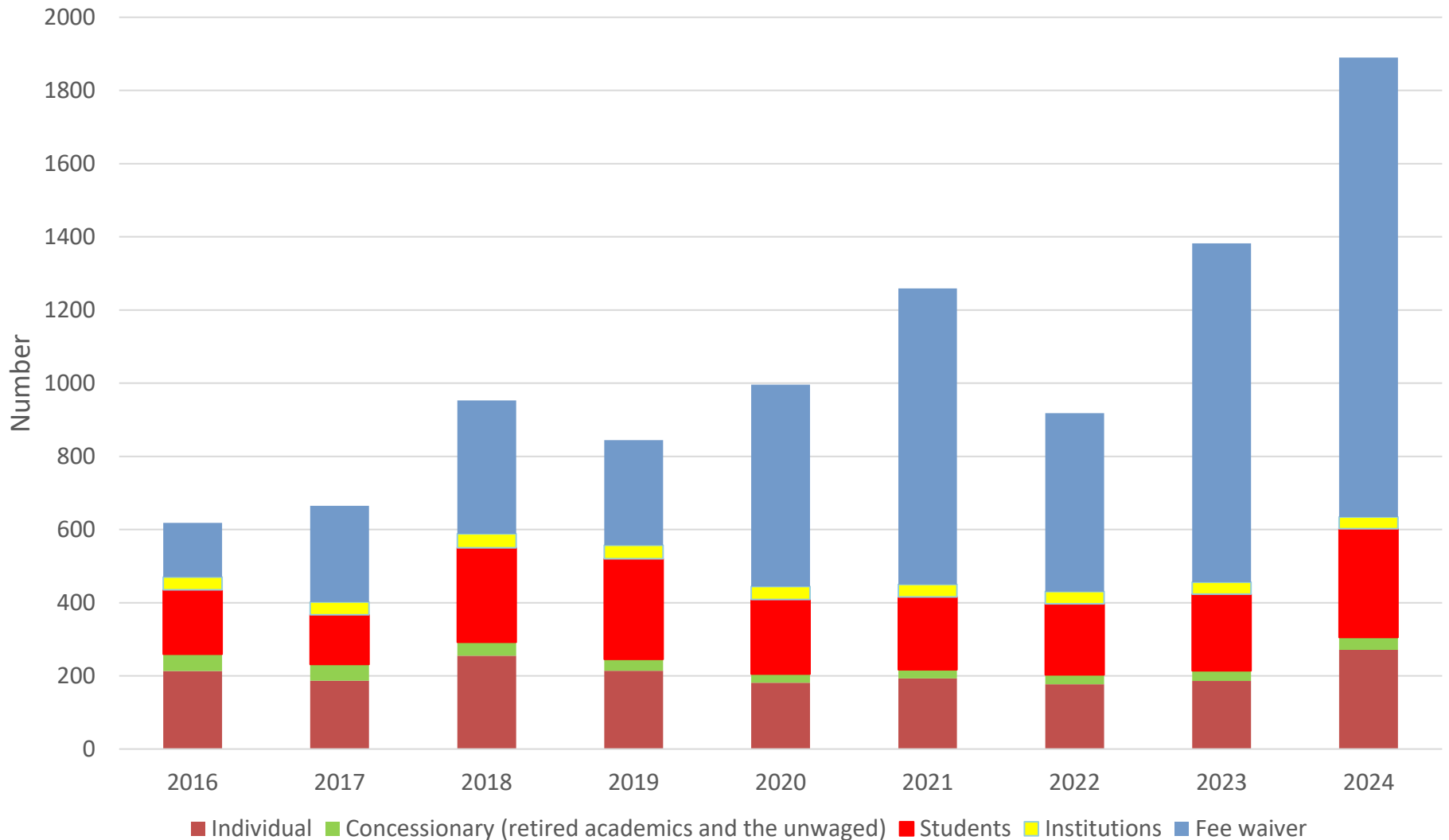


Objective	2023-24 Progress	2024-25 Plans
<i>3. Build the institutional strength of the DSA</i>	New institutional members & re-energized contact Re-energized study groups	Encourage new institutional members New SGs? Dev econ?
<i>4. Nurture the future of DS thro' support to students, ECRs and HE teachers</i>	Dissertation & PhD prize Re-energized student group (Zax & Sheila) & comms to support growth & outreach	Review of ECR support strategy
<i>5. Promote greater EDI within the DS community</i>	gS: South-South mentoring; DSA2024 participation; AcSS funding - EDI project; Decolonising network launched at DSA2024; Promoting initiatives from global south networks	EDI project coming your way Decolonising database: shared teaching, resources

Overall membership

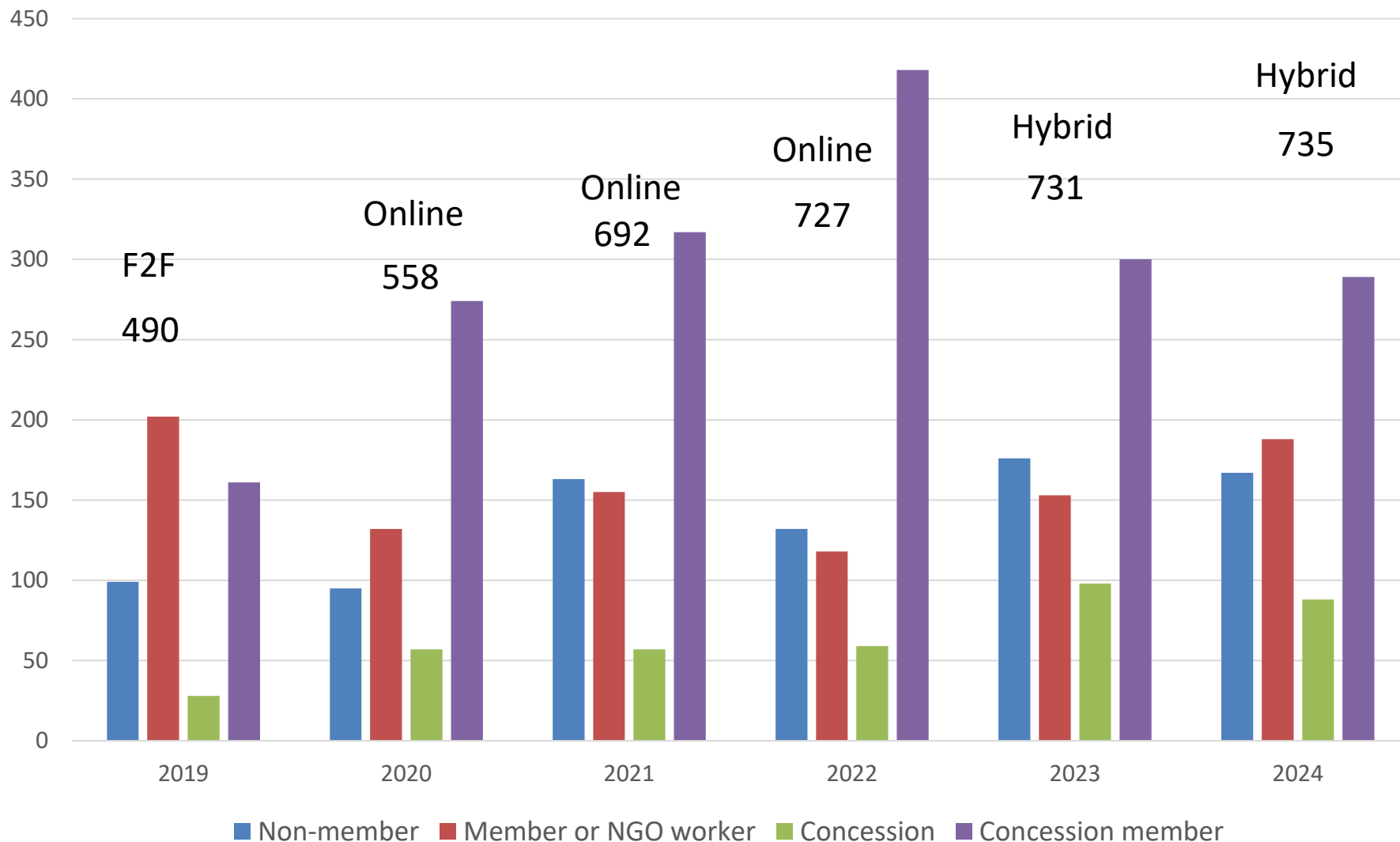


Membership breakdown





Recent conference attendance





DSA2024

Registrations

- 208 online
- 527 face-to-face

Total: 735

Another DSA record!



PGT & PGR Prizes 2024

DSA Masters Dissertation Prize

Winner: Anna Palma-Garcia (IDS) “Co-constructing notions of inclusion with deaf women in Colombia throughout cooperative inquiry.”

Highly commended: Mengjun Huang (ODID) “Pursuing ‘freedom’ in Beijing’s urban waste economy: desire, becoming, and loss of rural migrant waste workers in China.”

Both presented their work at the conference in P06 and P15 respectively.

DSA PhD Thesis Prize

Winner: Francesca Chiu (UEA) “Transforming the Outskirts – Planning, Property and People in Urban Myanmar.”

Highly commended: Anna Colom Miras (Open University) “Citizenship capabilities and instant messaging in Western Kenya: an intersectional approach.”

Francesca presented her work at the conference in P21. Unfortunately, the only panel Anna’s work fitted was full at the time the award was made.



Nominations & elections

- For the five Council elected positions, we have five nominations.



Candidates

Council positions

1. Kamna Patel
2. Ibrahim Natil
3. Mike Jennings (2nd term)
4. Indrajit Roy (2nd term)
5. Claire McLoughlin



Voting instructions

- We'll put up a Zoom poll for online attendees to signal your approval (or not) for the nomination.
- We are posting to the chat the link to the candidates' bios and statement for you to read



Any Other Business



And looking forward

- **DSA 2025**

Navigating crisis: dangers and opportunities in development

University of Bath

25-27 June 2025 (tbc).