

# DSA Bulletin

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Connecting and promoting the development research community

## Welcome to the May 2011 Edition of the DSA Bulletin...



Dear Colleagues,

A number of initiatives this month for the DSA and the Conference 2011 organisation continues apace.

As many of you will know, Lawrence Haddad will be standing down as President of the DSA at this year's Conference in September when we hold the AGM. We would like to thank Lawrence for his leadership during his tenure and wish him well for the future. This means that we will be seeking nominations for our next President in advance of the September AGM. Details of the role, responsibilities and type of candidate we are looking for can be found [here](#). There will be an election during the Conference for all DSA members attending the Conference.

The DSA is also undertaking an evaluation of the activities under our contract with DFID as well as looking at the DSA overall. We are seeking an external consultant to conduct this evaluation over the summer in time to present to the AGM. The deadline for this is tight (10<sup>th</sup> June) and more details can be found [here](#).

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A reminder that registration for the Conference in September is open and we look forward to seeing many of you in York.

Very best wishes,

Frances Hill,  
Executive Director, DSA

### News from the DSA

#### DSA/EADI Student Volunteers needed!



**EADI/DSA Conference 2011 : Rethinking Development in an Age of Scarcity and Uncertainty: New Values, Voices and Alliances for Increased Resilience**  
19-22 September 2011, University of York

- Registration is now open. [Register Online!](#)
- [Download the conference leaflet.](#)
- Subscribe to the [Conference E-Newsletter](#) which will keep you informed

#### Student Volunteers needed!

Would you like to volunteer and participate in what is promising to be the largest Development Studies Conference in Europe since both Associations were established over 30 years ago? With around 1000 participants, 500 papers, DevExpo and headline speakers from the Development Studies community, it will be an event to remember! **In return you'll get free admission to the Conference.**

We are looking for between 30 - 40 volunteers to help us support the coordination and management over the four days of the Conference and to help organise the day before. Many of our previous volunteers have gone on to forge links with senior academics that really helped their careers and studies, as it represents a great opportunity to be a part of the Conference Team and the networking opportunities that this offers. Join the [DSA Student Conference Volunteers Facebook Group](#)

**Journal of International Development**



**Volume 23, Issue 4**  
**May 2011**

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ALERTS



**WILEY ONLINE LIBRARY**

[Trust and ROSCA membership in rural Cameroon](#)

*Alvin Etang, David Fielding and Stephen Knowles*

[Demographic influences on economic resiliency: Revisiting the developing country growth collapse of the 1970s and 1980s](#)

*Brant Liddle*

[Food aid impacts on recipient developing countries: A review of empirical methods and evidence](#)

*Titus O. Awokuse*

[Human capital investment and long-term poverty reduction in rural Mexico](#)

*Paul Conal Winters and Vera Chiodi*

[Towards direct marketing of produce by farmers in India: Lessons from the United States of America](#)

*Supriya Kumar, Jessica Duell, Amy Soergel and Robbie Ali*

Policy Arena

[Poverty, migration and human well-being: towards a post-crisis research and policy agenda](#)

*Katie Wright and Richard Black*

[International migration and the downturn: assessing the impacts of the global financial downturn on migration, poverty and human well-being](#)

*Katie Wright and Richard Black*

[Last hired and first fired? The impact of the economic downturn on low-paid Bulgarian migrant workers in London](#)

*Kavita Datta*

[Should I stay or should I go? Return migration in times of crises](#)

*Tanja Bastia*

**Study Groups**

**DSA Migration, Social Change and Development Study Group**

[View study group](#)

**Migration and Cities Of The Global South: Implications For The Migration-Development Nexus**

**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> June 2011, University of Manchester

The workshop is free but there are limited places available. **To register** please send an email to [Tania Bastia](#).

A one day workshop, co-sponsored by the School of Environment and Development (University of Manchester), the Migration, Social Change and Development Study Group of the Development Studies Association of UK and Ireland and the Research Institute for Cosmopolitan Cultures (University of Manchester)

Almost half of all migrants move within the Global South and a large share of these movements is made up of irregular migration. Many undocumented migrants live and work in cities in the Global South, where they are often seen as a threat by local populations. The one day workshop will explore migrants' everyday strategies, with a particular emphasis on their use of space, and analyse their implications for the migration-development nexus. How does migration status influence migrants' use of space? What strategies do they employ to negotiate undocumentedness in their everyday lives? What implications does this have for the migration-development nexus in terms of job opportunities and remittances; participation in public life; transnational affective ties and care arrangements? The workshop will bring together key thinkers on migration and cities in the Global South.

**Confirmed speakers include:**

- Professor AbdouMaliq Simone (Goldsmiths)
- Dr Kavita Datta (Queen Mary, University of London)
- Professor Loren Landau (African Centre for Migration and Society, Johannesburg)
- Dr Nicola Piper (Arnold Bergstraesser Institute, at 'University of Freiburg)
- Professor Nina Glick Schiller (University of Manchester)
- Professor Uma Kothari (University of Manchester)

## DSA Scotland Study Group



### Mini Conference Report – May 20<sup>th</sup> 2011

The [DSA Scotland Study Group](#) held a mini conference in the University of Dundee on Friday 20th May, hosted by Economic Studies of the School of Business. Dr Sushil Mohan, supported by a team of willing research students, organised the meeting. [View the Conference report](#)



## Events



Visit our [events calendar](#) for latest event information.

### Africa's disease burden: what matters most?

**Date:** Wednesday 1st June

**Time:** 5-7pm

**Location:** London School of Economics

The seminar is open to all, and there is no charge. However, pre-registration is required ([lse\\_health@lse.ac.uk](mailto:lse_health@lse.ac.uk)). Early registration is recommended. Contact Ms [Valentina Lemmi](#). [More information](#).



### New Online Conference

Wiley-Blackwell is delighted to announce our next Exchanges Online Conference, entitled [The Changing Face of War](#).

Following on from the extraordinary success of our previous conference ([Wellbeing: A Cure-All for the Social Sciences?](#)), this exciting new conference again promises to set the benchmark for events within the social sciences and humanities communities.



### Joint Institute of Development Studies, CIDSE, Oxfam and Concord event: 'Viable solution or impossible dream? The case for and against a Financial Transaction Tax (FTT)

**Date:** Tuesday 14 June

**Time:** 2-6pm

**Location:** Residence Palace, Brussels

A high level seminar which will launch a systematic review of the evidence on FTTs undertaken by Neil McCulloch, an economist and leading Research Fellow at IDS and bring together an expert panel of leading academics, NGO representatives, financial market practitioners and policy makers who will interrogate the evidence for and against FTTs. To register please contact [Hannah Corbett](#), Tel: +44 (0) 1273 915640

### Public Perceptions of Development Cooperation activities in China, India, Poland, Russia and South Africa

**Date:** Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June

**Location:** Room G2, SOAS, London

This workshop will present the findings of a research project conducted in 2010-2011 and solicit discussion, evaluation and feedback. [More information](#).

### Eighth INTAF World Conference 'Experiences of Working with the Rural Poor'

INTAF International Task Force for the Rural Poor  
Asian Foundation for Philanthropy, London

**Date:** Saturday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2011

**Location:** Development House, 56-64 Leonard Street, London EC2A 4LT

[More information](#).

## Publications



All resources are available to download free from the links below. View a full list of [Oxfam publications](#)

[Sign up here to receive all the latest news on Oxfam publications](#)

### Papers and reports

#### Trade and agriculture

[Who will feed the World? The production challenge](#)  
Oxfam Research Report, April 2011

[Making Growth Inclusive: Some lessons from countries and the literature](#)

Oxfam Research Report, April 2011

#### Gender

[Walking the Talk: Cash Transfers and Gender Dynamics](#)  
Oxfam Research Report, May 2011

#### Climate change

[Minding the Money: Governance of climate change adaptation finance in Nepal](#)  
Oxfam Research Report, May 2011

#### Conflict

[Protection of Civilians in 2010: Facts, Figures, and the UN Security Council's response](#)  
Oxfam Briefing Paper, May 2011

[No Time to Lose: Promoting the Accountability of the Afghan National Security Forces](#)

Oxfam Briefing Paper, May 2011

#### From Poverty to Power Blog

Duncan Green, Head of Research at Oxfam GB discusses the big issues of development. [Read and comment on the blog](#)

#### Recent posts:



[New and harder evidence on climate change, hunger and food prices](#)

[Is India getting serious on health? And if so, why?](#)

[Scepticism v invisibility: stop punching hippies; nutrition call; the US climate is](#)

[changing; why hair](#)

[shirtists are wrong; flood salvage; climate scientist rap; climate links I liked](#)

[So the world is complex – what do we do differently?](#)

[Poor Economics – a rich new book from Abhijit Banerjee and Esther Duflo](#)



[Political Economy of Climate Change](#)

IDS Bulletin 42.3

Edited by *Thom Tanner* and *Jeremy Allouche*

[The Tobin Tax: A Review of the Evidence](#)

IDS Research Report 68, Brighton: IDS  
*N. McCulloch* and *G. Pacillo* (2011)

[The African Standby Force: External Support to an 'African Solution to African Problems'?](#)

IDS Research Report 67, Brighton: IDS  
*O. Bachmann* (2011)

[Aid for AIDS: How do Community Groups and Other Stakeholders negotiate the New Financial Architecture in Kenya, Malawi and Zambia?](#)

IDS Research Report 66, Brighton: IDS  
*J. Edström* and *H. MacGregor* (2011)

[Expert Advocacy for the Marginalised: How and Why Democratic Mediation Matters to Deepening Democracy in the Global South](#)

IDS Working Paper 364, Brighton: IDS  
*L. Piper* and *B. von Lieres* (2011)

[States of Citizenship: Contexts and Cultures of Public Engagement and Citizen Action](#)

IDS Working Paper, Brighton 363: IDS  
*A. Cornwall*, *S. Robins*, and *B. Von Lieres* (2011)

[Infrastructures of Consent: Interrogating Citizen Participation Mandates in Indian Urban Governance](#)

IDS Working Paper 362, Brighton: IDS  
*K. Coelho*, *L. Kamath* and *M. Vijaybaskar* (2011)

#### New Podcast

[The Big Question for Development, IDS Podcast May 2011](#)  
IDS Fellow *Stephen Devereux* and *Thandika Mkandawire* from the London School of Economics talk about the challenges of delivering social protection.



The University of Manchester  
**Brooks World  
Poverty Institute**

#### **Working Paper**

[Poverty and climate change in urban Bangladesh \(CLIMURB\): an analytical framework](#)

Manoj Roy with Simon Guy, David Hulme and Ferdous Jahan

#### **Journal Article**

[World Development Social protection in sub-Saharan Africa: getting the politics right](#)

Miguel Niño-Zarazúa, Armando Barrientos, Samuel Hickey and David Hulme

**iied** International Institute  
for Environment  
and Development

#### **Books and Reports**

[Carbon finance and pro-poor co-benefits: The Gold Standard and Climate, Community and Biodiversity Standards](#)

[Participatory research and on-farm management of agricultural biodiversity in Europe](#)

#### **Briefings & Opinions**

[Building bottom-up platforms for change](#)

[Community-based forest management](#)

[Cross-cultural insights into communication](#)

[Gender and generation matter](#)

[Improving leadership on climate change](#)

[Mainstreaming environment and climate change: Agriculture](#)

#### **Multimedia**

[Justice in the forests \(DVD\)](#)

[Sustainable Land Management Technologies for Climate Change Adaptation in Africa \(DVD\)](#)

To request a free copy email: [newbooks@iied.org](mailto:newbooks@iied.org)

#### **Journals**

[Environment and Urbanization](#)

Volume 23. No.1



#### [There you go!](#)

Oren Ginzburg's little book contains the big message that we must avoid the arrogance of presuming to know what's best for those whose voices are not heard in global debates. It reminds us of our shared responsibility to see to it that all people are active participants in shaping the decisions that impact their lives. Only then can we hope to see real development.'

Survival publication called '[Progress Can Kill](#)' describes how imposed development destroys the health of tribal peoples' - a considerably more somber approach to the same issue, drawing on case studies from around the world.



#### **Free Online: Development Policy Review Debate**

[Growth identification and facilitation: the role of the state in the dynamics of structural change](#)

Volume 29 (3) May 2011

This timely and important contribution by Justin Lin and Célestin Monga considers the role of the state in facilitating growth, and is accompanied by comments from five distinguished specialists in this area. Read the full-text Debate for free now.



## FREE ONLINE - Environmental Induced Migration in the Context of Social Vulnerability

Volume 49 (s1) 2011

[View contents](#)

## Sheffield International Development Network (SIDNet)

[SIDNET briefing paper No1 - global governance of labour migration](#)

[SIDNET briefing paper No3 - Kerala's Kudumbashree programme](#)

[SIDNET briefing paper No4 - Poverty alleviation in Kerala](#)

[SIDNET briefing paper No5 - Rebalancing microfinance](#)

## Call for Papers and Research

### Global Insecurities: Insurgency, Development, and World Order 10 Years On

**Date:** 5-6 September 2011

**Location:** University of Leeds

Deadline for abstracts: Monday 30 May 2011

Conference Fee: £40, students £30

[More information](#)

### Museums, Heritage and International Development

**Date:** 22-23 September 2011

**Location:** Tropenmuseum, Amsterdam

*Critical Conversations in Culture and Development* is a new series of workshops and publications devoted to pushing the debate on culture and development forward. Bringing together different stakeholders and interlocutors in sustained critical and reflexive conversations, we seek to move beyond the seeming impasse between scholars critical of development policy and practice, skeptics among governments and voters in donor countries, and NGOs, multinational aid agencies and beneficiaries in developing countries to identify workable models for thinking about how culture can work for development.

[More information](#)

## 2011 Symposium on Governance and the Eradication of Poverty: New Perspectives from Multidisciplinary Analysis

**Date:** October 20 – October 22, 2011

**Location:** Justice Hall, Yonsei University – Wonju Campus,  
Wonju City, South Korea



The Institute for Poverty Alleviation and International Development (IPAID) at Yonsei University – Wonju Campus and the journal of *Public Administration and Development* are jointly organizing a symposium on “*Governance and the Eradication of Poverty: New Perspectives from Multidisciplinary Analysis*”.

[More information.](#)

## Courses

### School of International Development (DEV), University of East Anglia

[MSc Impact Evaluation for International Development](#) will offer familiarisation with, and skills in, the basics of modern evidence-based policy and Impact Evaluation. This includes the contexts and practices of evaluation, research design and data production for evaluation, and basic and more advanced methods of quantitative and qualitative analysis.

[MSc Water Security and International Development](#) will critically reflect on the practical and theoretical facets of ‘water security’, with a view to develop a better foundation to achieve developmental and environmental objectives. This new course will be particularly important as the hydrological cycle is intimately connected to critical global policy concerns - from climate change, food trade, food security and energy security, to the international cooperation that affects human, community, regional and state security.

[Find out more](#) about these and other courses available.

### Sheffield Hallam University MA Tourism for International Development

This course is suitable for those who are interested in how tourism is used as a development tool around the world,

including in less economically developed countries. It offers a wide range of exciting opportunities to develop your professional expertise in the design and management of sustainable tourism for international development. Modules include Development Studies and Tourism, Tourism and

Globalisation, Tourism Policy and Planning, and Sustainable

Tourism. This course will provide employability skills through, for example, links to key development organisations and potential dissertation research opportunities and joint teaching events in collaboration with

other European universities focusing on tourism in less economically developed countries.

Further information contact [Gill Pomfret](#)



## Sheffield International Development Network (SIDNet)

SIDNet is a new University of Sheffield based centre dedicated to the promotion of research and postgraduate training in the field of international development. SIDNet draws its academic membership from a range of departments across the university, and has an underlying intellectual agenda which guides its research:

- It brings an interdisciplinary approach to the study of development. We approach contemporary issues in international development in ways that draw upon well-established scholarship within and across a variety of different disciplines, rather than from the exclusive perspective of Development Studies narrowly defined.
- It encourages critical reflection on the effects of development processes on the everyday lives of people within the Global South. We use the 'everyday' both to empirically ground our research, and also to offer a space from which to question the implicit European/North American reference points of much social science theory.

SIDNet currently offers a total of eight taught postgraduate programmes in international development located within University of Sheffield. [Further details.](#)

From September 2011, it will also offer research training in international development through a Doctoral Training Centre in collaboration with the Universities of York and Leeds.

## Funding News

### 2011 BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards

The BBVA Foundation promotes scientific research of

### excellence by funding research projects

The BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge are intended to recognise basic research and creative works of excellence. The BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards take in the following categories:

- 1) Scientific and technological research in the areas of ;
  - Basic sciences (physics, chemistry, mathematics)
  - Biomedicine
  - Ecology and Conservation biology
  - Information and communication technologies
  - Economics, Finance and Management
- 2) The creation, direction or performance of works of;
  - Contemporary music
- 3) Scientific research and/or projects that represent significant advances in two core concerns of the 21<sup>st</sup> century;
  - Climate change
  - Development Cooperation

**The BBVA Foundation Frontiers of Knowledge Awards in each category come with €400,000 prize money, a diploma and a commemorative artwork.**

#### Entry conditions

Candidates should be one or more natural persons of any nationality

#### Entry submission

Open on January 1, 2011 and close June 30, same year. All nominations should be [submitted through the website](#)

## Global Poverty Action Fund - Innovation Window now open

The second funding round for the [Global Poverty Action Fund Innovation Window](#) is now open. The deadline for applications is 23 June 2011.

## Jobs and Opportunities

### Evaluation Consultant

The DSA is recruiting an evaluation consultant who will undertake and impact assessment of the Development Studies Association. The evaluation will assist the DSA in reporting to DFID, which is the current major donor to the DSA, but it is also a wider exercise which may contribute to future strategies aimed at diversifying funding or establishing an alternative business model.

[Terms of reference.](#)

## The President of the Development Studies Association of the UK and Ireland

### Call for Nominations and Descriptor – May 2011

Nominations are requested from candidates wishing to take on the role of President of the DSA. The current incumbent, Professor Lawrence Haddad, comes to the end of his non-renewable term of office at the DSA Annual General Meeting in September 2011 when a replacement will be elected.

Nominees have to be current members of the DSA and must be proposed and seconded by two current members. It is expected that the successful nominee will be a high profile

member of the Development Studies community in the UK and Ireland.

[Full terms of reference.](#)

### Job vacancy for Research Associate in Ecosystems and Global Environmental Change

The Ecosystem Services for Poverty Alleviation (ESPA) Directorate and Grantham Institute for Climate Change are seeking to appoint a suitably qualified Research Associate to be based at Imperial College London.

Working closely with ESPA's Associate Director of Knowledge and the Institute's Policy Director, the post-holder will help develop the vision and methodology to deliver and communicate creative and high impact research. You will analyse and assess current ecosystems and global change research, identifying knowledge gaps and synthesising information to inform research programme development.

**Closing date:** 20 June 2011

[More information](#)

## Research News

### Creating a Humanitarian Research Resource Centre

ELRHA continues to go from strength to strength in terms of the connections it makes, the funding it is providing and the resource portals it offers to academics, humanitarian practitioners and others in its stakeholder community. As part of its ongoing service provision for the community, ELRHA is keen to further bridge the gap between the highly relevant and up to date research that is being conducted in

universities, research centres and think tanks and ensure it reaches those in a position to make most and best use of this research.

The Humanitarian Emergency Review Report emphasised the 'use of science' to underpin the humanitarian effort but also acknowledged that "Disaster managers do not make enough use of such science and scientists do not routinely produce information for this audience". ELRHA wants to address this important gap by making research more accessible through the production of a resource that will distill larger academic outputs into summaries that will enable fieldworkers, policy makers and those in pressured decision making positions to retrieve this information in a format that they can make use of.

We are therefore asking you to participate in a [short survey](#) to identify the need for a Humanitarian Research Resource Centre. Your help would be much appreciated; please [click here](#) to start the survey. The deadline to complete the survey is the **10th June 2011**. If you have any suggestions that are outside the scope of this survey, or can recommend any resource we should investigate, we would also be delighted to hear from you. Please email [Frances Hill](#), (Research Partnerships Manager).

### New Website and Publications from the Development Research Centre on Citizenship, Participation and Accountability

The UK and USA made a joint commitment to changing the lives of the 1.2 billion poor people in the world today and accelerating progress towards the Millennium Development Goals by 2015. [View details.](#)

### New website in Urban Studies

Visit the newly launched *International Journal of Urban and Regional Research* website providing the latest information on the Journals, the Studies in Urban and Social Change Book Series and the Foundation for Urban and Regional

Studies. Visit [www.ijurr.org](http://www.ijurr.org)

## For Students

### Post Docs: Biofuel Value Chains

The post-docs will be embedded in a joint biofuels research platform and their responsibilities will include:

- review of existing tools for evaluating the sustainability of biofuels
- developing a model to assess options along the biofuels chain which incorporates evaluation tools based on spatial multi-perspective criteria
- coordinating the work of the UT biofuels platform

- assisting the team in responding to funding opportunities
  - collaborating in writing high impact papers for multi-disciplinary papers
  - present research findings at international conferences
- View full information on these positions on our [opportunities page](#).

### Highly Discounted Journal Subscriptions for Members

Wiley-Blackwell have a number of development related journals at a substantially reduced subscription rate for DSA members.

- [Discounted Journals from Wiley-Blackwell](#)
- [Discounted Journals from Elsevier](#)

### Facebook Student Group for the Social Sciences and Humanities

This group has been set up to share up-to-date information that may be particularly relevant to a student audience. Become a fan to join in with our discussions, keep up to date with exciting new promotions and make sure you don't miss out on anything new!

[Join this group](#) before May 31st 2011 and be entered into a prize draw to win \$100/£60 worth of books of your choice!

## Tell us about it....!

**Contribute to the *DSA Bulletin* and share your news with the development community.**

To ensure your entry gets published, please follow the guidelines below:

- Copy Deadline - **20th of each month**
- 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)

Not a member of the DSA but would like to **advertise in the Bulletin?**

This Bulletin now reaches well over **9,000 people** working or interested in development and related issues globally.

#### Eligibility:

- Institutional members can advertise jobs, events, resources and courses in the Bulletin free of charge as well as publicise non-commercial publications.
- Individual members can publicise non-commercial publications in the bulletin free of charge, request assistance in their research or work

#### Rates for non-members:

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|--------------------|---------------|
| • One – two months | £35 per month |
| • Three months     | £80           |
| • Six months       | £150          |
| • One year         | £250          |

