

# DSA Bulletin

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



Dear Colleagues,

I sit in the gloriously schizophrenic sunshine of a September English afternoon, gently clearing up after the extraordinary event of last week. This had been in the making for the past two years and it is almost impossible to believe that it is now over! Judging by the overwhelming majority of the feedback, people valued their time spent in York, made many new friends, forged new alliances and already started making concrete plans as to how to take these forward. This is exactly the impact we at the DSA, and our friends at EADI, aim to achieve through these events.

We are in the process of pulling together the reports from the sessions, photographs, blogs, tweets and will combine it all into a full dossier from the event. I personally would like to thank everyone involved who made it the success that it undoubtedly was. Watch this space for further DSA/EADI collaboration!

**Our major announcement is that we have a new President** – Professor Geof Wood, University of Bath – has stepped up to the role of DSA President and we are delighted to welcome him, look forward to working with him on a number of new and exciting

ventures. We also welcome Rachel Hayman, from INTRAC, who will be representing the interests of NGOs on the Council, plus Ben Jones from UEA. We say farewell to Lawrence Haddad as President and thank him for his time at our helm. We also say farewell to other friends: Roger Williamson, Uma Kothari, Nick Roseveare and Nicola Jones – thanking them all for the considerable inputs they have made over their tenure.

We have one other announcement to make. The DSA is seeking a [consultant to manage our New Ideas Initiative](#). We are running to a tight timeframe but it is an exciting venture that aims to tease out new ideas across a range of themes.

Keep the news coming and we will be in touch shortly as to how those of you who are members of the DSA (not everyone who received this bulletin is a member, as it is freely available) can contribute to the website via the My DSA Space. For those of you who are not members, and would like to be in order to publicise your work, research, ideas etc, [Join today!](#)

Very best wishes,

**Frances Hill,**  
Executive Director, DSA

## News from the DSA

### New Ideas Initiative

The DSA has an Accountable Grant with the UK Department for International Development. One of the components in the Accountable Grant proposal was to work on a New Ideas Initiative.

The overall goal of the initiative is to make sure development policy and practice has a transformative and sustained effect on people's agency and lives and aims to build on existing research programmes

The DSA is seeking to engage a consultant to lead and deliver this initiative. [View Details.](#)

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## Ideas4Development Blog



Read the DSA blog on [Ideas4Development](#) and add your comments!. Latest Posts:

- [Following a session at the DSA conference Duncan Green reflects on the thinking behind the new Grow campaign at Oxfam](#)
- [Disasters, climate change and development: what do we need to do differently?](#)
- [Rethinking or revisiting? Let's not throw out the baby with the bath water](#)

## Join the Conversation!

### Follow DSA!

We now have over **400** Facebook group members and over **350** twitter followers. Join the Conversation....!



## Study Group News

### Gender & Practice Study Group

#### **GENDER & DEVELOPMENT NETWORK**

**Where do we stand? How can the development community navigate current pressures to deliver development for women?**

Date: November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011

Location: Amnesty's Human Rights Action Centre in London  
[More information.](#)

### Launch of DSA Ireland Website

<http://www.dsairland.org/>



View the [newly launch DSA Ireland website!](#)

## DSA Scotland Study Group

### Announcement and Call for Papers – Mini Conference

Date: Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2011

Location: Centre for Sustainable International Development ([CSID](#)), University of Aberdeen

The next meeting of the DSA Scotland Study Group will be hosted by the Centre for Sustainable International Development (CSID) in the University of Aberdeen on Friday

14<sup>th</sup> October 2011. Dr Hilary Homans has invited DSA Scotland to hold this meeting in Aberdeen, will be acting as the main convenor of the meeting, and we are now calling for offers of papers and presentations.

[More information](#)

## Journal of International Development



### [Latest Issue – October 2011](#)

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[Will China change international development as we know it?](#)

*Arjan de Haan*

[Is there gender bias in participation in early childhood education programs in developing countries? Role of mother's education](#)

*Sharmistha Self and Richard Grabowski*

[A comprehensive estimation of costs of crime in South Africa and its implications for effective policy making](#)

*Erik Alda and Jose Cuesta*

[International risk-sharing and currency unions: The CFA zones](#)

*Etienne B. Yehoue*

[Civil society, cross-national comparisons and the problem of statistical capture](#)

*Gerard Clarke*

### Policy Arena

[The World Bank's World Development Report 2011 on conflict, security and development: A critique through five vignettes](#)

*Gareth A. Jones and Dennis Rodgers*

### Field Reports

[Crisis in Indian microfinance and a way forward: Governance reforms and the Tamil Nadu model](#)

Ana Marr and Paola Tubaro

[On the use of socioeconomic status indicators in the analysis of health inequalities and poverty in Africa](#)

Hyacinth Eme Ichoku

### Short Notes

[Assessing the impact of IPRs on development: A view from the developing world](#)

Ramiro Lopez Ghio

### Book Reviews

[The trouble with aid: Why less could mean more for Africa by Glennie J.](#)

Emma Mawdsley

[Book reviews: Multiple meanings of money: How women see microfinance by Premchander, S. Prameela, V. Chidambaranathan M. and Jeyaseelan, L.](#)

Laura Smalles

## Events



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

### Symposium on Academics Stand Against Poverty: an Idea whose Time Has Come?

Time/Date: 1-5:30 p.m., Monday, October 17, 2011 (wine reception to follow)

Location: University of Notre Dame London Centre, 1 Suffolk Street, London, SW1Y 4HG (Formerly the Oxford and Cambridge United University Club, London)

#### Presenters:

- Thomas Pogge, Leitner Professor of Philosophy and International Affairs, Yale University
- Baroness Professor Onora O'Neill, Cambridge University
- Professor Simon Caney, Oxford University
- Professor Leif Wenar, King's College London
- Roger Riddell, former International Director for Christian Aid
- Martin Kirk, Head of UK Campaigns, Oxfam Chair and event contact: Luis Cabrera, Reader in Political Theory, University of Birmingham:

This symposium will explore the question of whether, and if

so how, academics should attempt to make direct public interventions on such issues as global poverty.

[More information.](#)

### Carbon Markets for the Poor: A Contradiction in Terms?

A Panel Discussion and Public Debate in London  
Debate proceedings will be available shortly after this event at [www.clean-development.com](http://www.clean-development.com)

Date: Tuesday 15th November 2011, 7 - 9pm

Location: UEA London Study Centre, 102 Middlesex Street, London E1 7EZ

Ahead of the climate summit in Durban in November, questions are being asked about whether the commitment to carbon markets as a central response to climate change is the right approach. Amid evidence of double-counting of emissions reductions and a failure to deliver sustainable development benefits in developing countries, is the Kyoto

Protocol's Clean Development Mechanism (CDM) worth saving? For some the issue is how to reform the CDM by scaling up, reducing costs and improving governance. For others the CDM is flawed by design.

This public event will explore these debates, which go to the heart of a 3 year project on The Governance of Clean Development: CDM and Beyond led by Professor Peter Newell, which explores the politics and governance of clean development in the energy sector through the CDM and through other initiatives of a growing range of public and private actors.

[More information](#)

## Publications



### [Time to Reimagine Development](#)

Edited by Lawrence Haddad, Naomi Hossain, Allister J. McGregor and Lyla Mehta  
IDS Bulletin 42.5

### [China and the African Oil Sector: Channels of Engagement, Motives, Actors and Impacts'](#)

Urban, F. Nordensvärd, J. Wang, Y. Khatri, D. and Mohan, C. (2011)

IDS Working Paper 374, Brighton: IDS

['The Ambiguous Role of Corporations in Climate Change Mitigation: An Explorative Appraisal of Corporations in](#)

[China, Malaysia and the US'](#)

Nordensvärd, J. and Urban, F. (2011)  
IDS Working Paper 373, Brighton: IDS

['The Understanding and Practice of Development in China and the European Union'](#)

Urban, F. Mohan, G. and Zhang, Y. (2011)  
IDS Working Paper 372, Brighton: IDS

['Stopping Child Poverty in its Tracks: The Role for Social Protection in Vietnam'](#)

Roelen, K. (2011)  
IDS Working Paper 371, Brighton: IDS

['Social Protection and Socioeconomic Security in Nepal'](#)

Koehler, G. (2011)  
IDS Working Paper 370, Brighton: IDS



**Books and Reports**

[Trends and processes of urbanisation in India](#)

[Pembangunan Berkelanjutan dalam praktek: Pembelajaran dari Amazonas](#)

[Just forest governance - for REDD, for sanity](#)

**Briefings & Opinions**

[Biomass energy: Another driver of land acquisitions?](#)

[Integrating climate change into agricultural research for development in Africa](#)

**Multimedia**

**2011 D&C International Film Competition - call for entries**

IIED is pleased to launch its 4th D&C International Film Competition. It will be showcased at the D&C conference at COP17 in Durban, South Africa.

We are looking for films that find innovative and compelling answers to the question: **What is climate change resilience?**

Sponsored by the Climate and Development Knowledge Network (CDKN), this is an excellent opportunity to gain global exposure to practitioners and agencies working in the

field and recognition for your work. Visit our website to [find out more](#)



[ODI Annual review and accounts 2010-2011](#)

**ODI Briefing Papers**

[Making the EU's Common Agricultural Policy coherent with development goals](#)

ODI Briefing Paper 69

[Taking responsibility for complexity](#)

ODI Briefing Paper 68

**ODI Opinions**

[How the 9/11 decade changed the aid, security and development landscape](#)

ODI Opinion 155

[Global reach is the prize at Busan](#)

ODI Opinion 154

[The RAPID Outcome Mapping Approach and project management for policy change](#)

ODI Opinion 153

**ODI Background Notes**

[Coordinating post-conflict aid in Southern Sudan](#)

[Achieving pro-poor growth through investment in rural feeder roads: the role of impact evaluation](#)

[Going beyond aid effectiveness to guide the delivery of climate finance](#)

[Fast-start finance to address climate change: what we know at the mid-point](#)

[Climate change as part of the post-2015 development agenda](#)

[Involving legislators in evidence-informed policy processes: a neglected part of the democratic governance agenda](#)

**ODI Working Papers**

[Aid effectiveness: bringing country ownership \(and politics\) back in](#)

ODI Working Paper 336

[Analysing the governance and political economy of water and sanitation delivery](#)

ODI Working Paper 334

[Water reforms during the crisis and beyond: understanding policy and political challenges of reforming the water sector in Zimbabwe](#)

ODI Working Paper 333

[Linkages between researchers and legislators in developing countries](#)

ODI Working Paper 332

[The role of aid to middle-income countries: a contribution to evolving European Union \(EU\) development policy](#)

ODI Working Paper 331

[Sanctuary in the city? Urban displacement and vulnerability in Nairobi](#)

HPG Working Paper

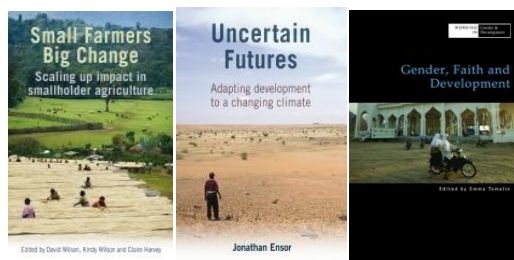
[Humanitarian action, early recovery and stabilisation in the Democratic Republic of Congo](#)

HPG Working Paper

**ODI Journals**

[Disasters theme issue - famine](#)

[Development Policy Review, theme issue: Impacts of economic crises on child well-being](#)



**Uncertain Futures: Adapting development to a changing climate**

Jonathan Ensor (Practical Action, UK)

*'This is a fascinating and timely book. It deals with a set of highly complex issues surrounding the practical dimensions of tackling community-based adaptation.'*

[More information](#)

Published in association with Oxfam GB

**Small Farmers, Big Change: Scaling up impact in smallholder agriculture**

Edited by David Wilson (Consultant, UK), Kirsty Wilson (Oxfam GB, UK) and Claire Harvey (Oxfam GB, UK)

*'The cases in this important book show that when small farmers are given the right incentives to produce more and the means to do so, they invest, innovate and respond to opportunity.'*

Dr John Thompson, Research Fellow, Institute of Development Studies, UK and Joint Director, Future Agricultures Consortium

[More information](#)

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**Gender, Faith and Development**

Edited by Emma Tomalin (University of Leeds, UK)

*'Emma Tomalin's edited volume starts with a keen appreciation of the importance, complexity, and sensitivity of the topic, and the rich array of chapters probe different dimensions of perceptions and realities, obstacles and opportunities.'*

Katherine Marshall, Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs at Georgetown University

[More information](#)

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**Research Reports**

[Guichaoua, Y.](#) Deycard, F. ['Whether You Liked him or not, Gadafi used to fix a lot of holes' – Tuareg Insurgencies in Mali and Niger and the war in Libya](#) African Arguments, Royal African Society (2011)

**Working Papers**

[Dr Patricia Agupusi](#) and [Dr Asad K Ghalib](#) [How socially responsible are multinational corporations? Perspectives from the developing world.](#) This paper explores issues around corporate social responsibility (CSR), its use by businesses; and examines selected CSR multinational strategies.

[Dr Ben D'Exelle](#) and [Dr Bart van Rijsbergen](#) [Use of Delivery Care in Tanzania: The Importance of Poverty, Empowerment, and Emergency.](#) This paper explores the 'barriers to access' to delivery care for women in Tanzania, particularly in relation to women's preferences for delivery care.

### DEV Research Briefings

[Professor Rhys Jenkins](#): Brazilian manufacturing in the face of Chinese competition. DEV Research Briefing 2 (July) UEA, Norwich

### Policy Briefings

[Guichaoua, Y. Mobilising Individuals to Collective Political Violence](#) MICROCON Policy Briefing 10, July 2011



### Special issue

[The Agrarian Roots of Violence and Conflict](#)

Guest editors: Christopher Cramer and Paul Richards

The Journal of Agrarian Change has just produced a special issue on the Agrarian Roots of Violent Conflict. This issue is devoted to the agrarian dimensions of armed conflict, non-war violence and post-war repertoires of political mobilization. It aims to bring the agrarian back into the current study of violent conflict, which too often neglects the dynamics and tensions of agrarian political economy. The issue includes articles based on case studies from Latin America, Sub-Saharan Africa and Asia.

### New Report: Chinese aid more transparent than you think

The Chinese government publishes less data about its overseas aid spending than western donors, but more than is commonly thought, according to a new report from the campaign group, Publish What You Fund and the Centre for Chinese Studies at Stellenbosch university.



*Transparency of Chinese Aid* highlights the shortcomings of Chinese aid information disclosure. These include the tendency to report aggregate levels rather than country-specific data, the absence of a central monitoring agency, and the lack of impact assessments.



However, the authors conclude that, contrary to general perception, provision of information is evolving fast in China and there is a willingness among the authorities to work with international partners on aid transparency, in particular looking at the technical details involved.

Aid transparency is essential to enhance overall aid effectiveness and this year is key with the Fourth High Level Forum in Korea providing an opportunity to review donors' progress. As emerging donors like China start to play a more central role in aid provision, it's important to engage them in a dialogue about transparency and encourage them to increase the information available.

The report's purpose is not to provide estimates of the overall aid volumes given by China (which are not systematically reported) but it reproduces figures from a recent Chinese government white paper, *China's Foreign Aid*, showing that 45% of all Chinese aid in 2009 went to Africa, 32% to Asia, and 13% to Latin America and the Caribbean. Of this, two fifths was spent on projects conceptualised, planned, financed and delivered by Chinese actors.

The report concludes that attempts by the international community to engage Chinese actors are likely to be best framed in terms of the existing conversations about "South-South Cooperation" rather than via the concept of aid transparency. It also notes the responsibility of aid recipients to articulate the demand for increased donor transparency, and provide compatible information about their own budgets. [Please sign the Make Aid Transparent Campaign](#)

### Call for Papers and Research

#### Call for Papers Anti-Democracy Agenda Symposium 2011

Mode: [Online by Google+ video conference](#)

15-16 November 2011

The "Anti-Democracy Agenda" is the premier resource on the net for the study of anti-democratic thought and practice. First introduced as a blog in January 2010, it has since been reconstituted as a circle (with associated public posts, much like a blog) on the new social network Google+. This international online symposium invites theoretical and/or empirical papers on developmental aspects of anti-democratic thought and practice. Papers may be theoretical and/or empirical in nature.

Contact: Erich Kofmel, [erichkofmel@gmail.com](mailto:erichkofmel@gmail.com)

#### Call for Research Articles Introducing the Global Social Justice Journal

The *Global Social Justice Journal* is a new Open Journal System initiative published by the [Centre for International Studies at Cape Breton University](#). The *Global Social Justice Journal* disseminates peer reviewed research on all aspects of global social justice including issues of economic

globalization, human rights, indigenous peoples, the environment, education, gender, class, poverty, inequality and race. The journal publishes research from disciplines including political science, philosophy, geography, economics, sociology, law, gender studies and indigenous studies. The journal welcomes the submission of articles analyzing the social impacts of markets and governments from normative or marginalized perspectives and specifically those originating in the global South. It especially welcomes the submission of articles that shed light on an otherwise neglected aspect of global social justice or that analyze alternative forms of social and political organization to the present structuring of globalization.

The *Global Social Justice Journal* has a commitment to the Open Access model of research dissemination and provides free public access to articles accepted for publication.

The *Global Social Justice Journal* invites the submission of original research articles for publication. For further details including full submission guidelines, please visit the journal website at <http://globalsocialjusticejournal.org/>. Articles for consideration should be sent to the journal editor at [jan\\_hancock@cbu.ca](mailto:jan_hancock@cbu.ca).

## 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](#)

## Jobs and Opportunities

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### Faculty Position in the Political Economy of Sustainable International Development THE HELLER SCHOOL

We seek a recognized scholar whose expertise on Africa or Asia can help inform global policy and practice toward sustainable development. The ideal candidate will demonstrate an active program of research in political economy relevant to poverty and inequalities, or environment and climate change, and will have an excellent record of teaching and advising.

The successful candidate will be appointed with tenure or tenure-track, where appropriate, or as associate or full research professor or professor of practice. The position requires an earned Ph.D. or other terminal degree and applicants from a diverse range of disciplines are invited to apply.

Review of applications will begin October 15, 2011.  
Applications welcome until position is filled.  
[More information.](#)

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[Discounted Journals from Elsevier](#)

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The DSA is the largest and most coherent national platform for people studying, teaching and researching development issues. We are expanding our membership benefits with this new website and membership is open to anyone with an interest in development studies

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- 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)

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