

The Global Development Section draws together scholars broadly concerned with development and global justice working across a number of fields, for example, postcolonial studies, development studies, critical political economy, critical security studies, social and political theory, history, sociology, gender studies, and public policy. The Section approaches the phenomenon of development in its broadest sense as the study of change, rather than in its narrow hegemonic conceptualization as technical interventions in social worlds. GDS is concerned with investigating alternative understandings, especially those that excavate the intimate links between

development, colonialism and capitalism. In this respect, the Section seeks cultivate an intellectual space provocation, supporting many ways of seeing and being in the world. And for this purpose the Section is committed facilitating diverse modes of inquiry, establishing research networks and supporting early-career scholars in their professional endeavours.

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When you renew your ISA membership, please remember to renew your membership to the Global Development Section.

### NOTE FROM THE SECTION CHAIR (2015-2016)

Dear All,

Greetings, and I hope you are all doing well!

As we are gearing up for the next ISA Annual Convention in Atlanta, here is just a quick update on some of the things that have been happening, and a 'heads-up' on conference related issues.

The GDS can look forward to an excellent roll of panels and roundtables at Atlanta, with a really exciting and engaging program. Thanks to all of you who have worked to put together the proposals for our share of the program: We will be sponsoring or co-sponsoring close to 100 panels (a new record, I think!), with some real highlights throughout.

As you are planning for ISA, please make note of a few key events scheduled for GDS (in addition to all the other exciting panels and roundtables):

- A) Please join us to honor the 2016 GDS Eminent Scholar, Professor Cristina Rojas, on Friday at 16:00 (program slot FD05); this will be followed by
- B) The GDS Reception, sponsored, as always by Routledge/Taylor& Francis, and *Third World Quarterly*, a great chance to meet everyone and catch up! (From 19:00 on Friday, Hilton, *Grand Ballroom B*)
- C) Please also make time to come to the GDS Business Meeting, which is held on Friday from 12:30-13:30; currently, this is scheduled for room 212 in the Hilton.
- D) Finally, please mark a new GDS Event, which will now become regular at Annual ISA Conventions: The GDS Roundtable. This coming year, the GDS Roundtable will be on "Reclaiming Development", and it will be held on Friday at 10:30 (program slot FB50).

## GDS Graduate Paper Prize

Over the next couple of weeks, you will receive a GDS 'Special Announcement' regarding the new Graduate Paper Prize; this will comprise a call for papers, as well as further information on the procedures, and the 'actual' prize itself!

### GDS Membership-Important

Please check your membership status with GDS; if you are not currently signed up to the Section, or are about to renew your overall ISA Membership, please tick the box to sign up for membership with the GDS. Our membership base determines our panel-quota for subsequent ISA Conventions, and more generally our ability to provide a rich and supportive academic environment for all of us working on GDS themed issues.

Please also consider passing word on to your friends and colleagues who may not be members of GDS yet, and asking them to consider signing up. As always, the GDS section has this year sponsored submissions from non-members to present research cogent to GDS interests, and our ability to do so depends crucially on us expanding our membership-base.

#### Thanks .....

Finally, I would like to thank all the members of our new committees and sub-committees, who have put some excellent work into improving the GDS' profile, visibility, and function as a hub for exchange and collaboration. In the run-up to the conference, many of these initiatives will slowly 'come alive', and we will keep you posted when they do. We would like to thank Lisa Tilley, whose initiative will see the inaugural "GDS Roundtable" to be held at

the Atlanta Convention; a new focal point in the GDS program, this event will provide another opportunity to bring together the GDS over topical issues at ISA Annual Conventions! Thanks also to Ajay Parasram, who has taken the lead on establishing a GDS Facebook Page.

Heloise (Weber)

(School of Political Science and International Studies, The University of Queensland).

## FORTHCOMING WORKSHOPS, CFPs and JOBS

We are delighted to be able to confirm that **Gregynog Ideas Lab V will take place from 11 - 16 July 2016**. The Ideas Lab, now in its fifth successful year, provides an open thinking space for graduate students and academics in critical, postcolonial, feminist, post-structural and psychoanalytic international politics to meet and exchange ideas in a wonderful and friendly setting.

Full details of guest professors and activities are available at <a href="http://gregynog.blogspot.co.uk">http://gregynog.blogspot.co.uk</a>. The announcement describes the Ideas Lab in detail, and other documents contain a draft timetable, bios of the guest professors, details of the methods training and some advice about funding.

Bookings will open shortly, so look out for another announcement soon, and pass on this message to your friends and colleagues. There will be an early bird discount, and places are allocated on a first come first served basis.

We look forward to welcoming returning participants and new faces next summer!!

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Call for Papers – 'Postcolonial' Capitalism? Theory and Critique' as part of the 10th Pan-European Conference on International Relations (7 -10 September 2016, İzmir, Turkey; <a href="http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/spage.php?s=50">http://www.paneuropeanconference.org/2016/spage.php?s=50</a>

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The growing influence of postcolonial thought in disciplinary International Relations comes at a time of transformation of the post-colony into what, some have argued, is a post-postcolonial condition. The rise of BRICS, the neoliberalisation of agendas in the Global South, a fast changing socio-cultural dynamic associated with a burgeoning middle class and rampant consumerism on the one hand, and the dispossession of largely agrarian populations on the other, re-locates the post-colony in the circuits of global capitalism in ways that are neither transparent nor readily grasped within the terms of extant postcolonial thought. Within IR, however, the postcolonial turn has yet to engage the implications of 21st century capitalism and emerging new global inequalities for re-thinking the question of wealth, poverty and the production of difference in a global context. This section attempts to open a conversation about the possibilities and limits of thinking the question of capital and capitalism from a specifically postcolonial episteme. Does the attempt to 'provincialize' the international necessitate provincializing capital, and if so, with what consequences for theory and praxis? We invite

contributions on a range of themes that includes, but is not limited to, the following: financialization and post-postcoloniality; neoliberalism in the post-colony; ethnographies of provincial capital; capitalism; and modalities of postcolonial resistance. Intended as a platform for those interested in exploring the theory and condition of postcolonial capitalism broadly conceived, the section welcomes participants both sympathetic to and critical of attempts to develop a postcolonial approach to political economy.

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## CALL FOR PAPERS: Coping with Crisis: Refugees in Eastern African Camps and Cities

Call for Papers for Proposed Panel:

British International Studies Association (BISA) Annual Conference Edinburgh, Scotland

Conference Theme: Global Justice

Date: 15-17 June 2016

Eastern Africa has been a major site of large-scale forced displacement. The region has seen some of the most prolonged and momentous refugee flows in modern history, driven by conflict, natural disasters and political oppression in Somalia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Sudan, Rwanda, Burundi and Eritrea. As a result of these recurrent crises, neighbouring countries like Ethiopia, Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania, have historically borne the brunt of large-scale cross-border population movements. Today they are still struggling to come to terms with the socio-economic, logistical and political consequences. Ethiopia hosts the largest number of refugees in Africa, while the world's three largest refugee camps (Dadaab, Dollo Ado and Kakuma) have become recognisable features in the region's political landscape.

In recent debates on forced migration, especially in the midst of the so-called 'refugee crisis', attention has so far narrowly focused on people making their way to Europe. This is despite the fact that the vast majority of refugees is displaced regionally and continues to reside in the Global South. Since December 2013, over 600,000 South Sudanese have fled the country due to prolonged civil conflict. In April 2015, some 200,000 Burundians escaped from a smouldering political crisis ahead of the controversial presidential elections. Again, it is the same neighbouring states with tight government budgets and often-spatial constraints that are playing host to this huge influx of people.

The frequency and perceived insolubility of these intra-regional refugee movements call into question the utility of the traditional durable solutions (local integration, repatriation and resettlement). For increasing numbers of refugees, institutionally promoted solutions are unattainable. Consequently, refugees build lives, families and homes in permanent exile. These individual strategies of coping emerge despite notions of socio-economic dependency, insecurity and injustice. In Eastern Africa, the refugee communities skilfully navigate difficult social environments, resist political pressures and circumvent disenfranchising legal regimes in constant search for a better life. This panel seeks to explore these various unconventional and flexible ways in which refugees mitigate risks, institutional pressures and de facto

cope with crisis in the cities and camps of Eastern Africa. Some of the themes we would like to discuss include the following:

- \* Problems and possibilities of local integration in the region
- \* Everyday life in exile and self-reliance strategies without durable solutions
- \* The implementation of global refugee policies in the region and their affects on the lives of refugees, e.g. UNHCR's Urban Refugee Policy, Alternative to

Camps Policy etc.

- \* Justice and Reconciliation for Refugees in Eastern Africa
- \* The involvement of different actors in the region, including donor and host states, local governments, city authorities, UNHCR, NGOs, CBOs etc.
- \* Refugee cooperation, innovation and use of technology
- \* Illegality and Extra-legality in cities and camps
- \* The strategies of particularly 'at risk' refugee groups (sexual and gender minorities etc.)
- \* Spaces and locations in displacement

To contribute a paper, please send an abstract (200 words max.), your affiliation, and contact details to the panel organisers by 17th November 2015:

Neil James Wilson (neil.james.wilson@city.ac.uk)

Hanno Brankamp (hanno.brankamp@ouce.ox.ac.uk).

The authors of successful abstracts will be notified preceding abstract submission to BISA for consideration. More details about the conference can be found on BISA's website: <a href="https://www.bisa.ac.uk">https://www.bisa.ac.uk</a>

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### Call for Papers: 'Knowing Africa: The Power of Narrative on a Global Continent'

2016 Northwestern Program of African Studies Conference Northwestern University, Evanston, IL April 15-17, 2016

The Program of African Studies graduate student seminar (AfriSem) invites graduate student papers in the study of Africa and African communities based around the theme of "knowing Africa: the power of narrative on a global continent." Abstracts should be submitted by email to: <a href="mailto:m-bocchese2010@nlaw.northwestern.edu">m-bocchese2010@nlaw.northwestern.edu</a>. Please include your name, affiliation, and contact details.

### The deadline for submission is December 18.

The "Knowing Africa" conference looks to explore the intersections of narrative, knowledge, and the African experience. On the African continent, where geographic and cultural diversity is profound and inter-continental links have been an enduring facet of African social life all throughout history, whose voices prevail and when? How do different narratives matter to how we "know" Africa today? And what does this mean for how Africa becomes positioned in the world?

These questions can reveal an enormous range of triumphs, challenges, and tragedies that go unheard across the continent, and proceed to shape our responsibilities as researchers trying to open our ears to the multitude of narratives present and the lives they encapsulate. We are interested in untangling and amplifying narratives from all aspects of society that impact daily life –politics, medicine, economy, environment, history, education, and more. Our goal is to better

understand our terrain as we navigate around the tangled meshworks of stakes and passions poised against each other, and the ways knowledge and understandings are formed in the midst of these encounters. In so doing, we hope to walk away with a greater awareness of the voices that speak around our own work, and a readiness to hear new voices previously unnoticed.

Papers from all disciplines in the Humanities and Social Sciences are encouraged, covering all time periods. We are particularly keen on accepting papers with multi-disciplinary approaches to qualitative and/or quantitative studies, archival, studies using oral tradition/history, or archaeological studies of Africa. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- African Knowledge and the American Academy
- Religion and Cosmologies
- Teaching Africa: Knowledge Production and Education
- Queering Knowledge
- Field, Archival, and Experimental Methodologies
- Everyday Life
- Orality and Historicity
- The Movement of People and Ideas
- Law, Politics, and Economy in the African Context
- Shaping Policy in Africa

This conference is primarily a forum for graduate students to present their research (in various stages of development) to a cross-disciplinary audience. We hope to recruit a diverse range of participants and aim supply a limited number of grants for both domestic and international travel. Please feel free to circulate the call for papers within and beyond your home institution, and do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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**Call for Papers:** The Asia-Pacific Region of the International Studies Association is delighted to announce that our next regional conference will be held at City University of Hong Kong, **June 25-27 2016**. The deadline for submissions is **Dec 1 2015**. Please see below for the Call for Proposals:

http://www.isanet.org/Conferences/Asia-Pacific-Hong-Kong-2016/Call

We invite submissions from all Global Development Section members. In particular we are interested in receiving proposals which critically examine the nature of global transformations in the Asia-Pacific; the rise of BRICS and specifically of China and India; regionalism and subregionalism; the impact of globalization on regional identity and inequality; traditional and non-traditional security threats in the Asia-Pacific; Bandung and the Non-Aligned Movement in historical perspective; regional perspectives on peacebuilding and on human security; and regional histories, epistemologies and ontologies of IR with reference to attempts to go beyond Western IR theory.

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# Call for Papers - OCIS2016

The Seventh Oceanic Conference on International Studies July 4-6, 2016 Brisbane, Australia.

Please see the following link for details: Hopefully this will be of interest to many of us. <a href="http://www.ocis.org.au">http://www.ocis.org.au</a>

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### New Series on Conceptualising Comparative Politics: People, Polities, and Markets

The series seeks to bring a distinctive approach to comparative politics by rediscovering the discipline's rich conceptual tradition and inter-disciplinary foundations. It aims to fill out the conceptual framework on which the rest of the subfield draws but to which books only sporadically contribute, and to complement theoretical and conceptual analysis by applying it to deeply explored case studies. The series publishes books that make serious inquiry into fundamental concepts in comparative politics (crisis, legitimacy, credibility, representation, institutions, civil society, reconciliation) through theoretically engaging and empirical deep analysis.

We are interested in receiving manuscripts that reflect on key concepts in comparative politics (broadly defined) and apply the with rich awareness of empirical context.

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### New Series on Critical Perspectives on Religion in International Politics

The series is edited by Mustapha Kamal Pasha and Giorgio Shani for Rowman and Littlefield International and aims to open up space for critical scholarship on Religion and IR which engages with different religious traditions.

Please see below for more information.

http://www.rowmaninternational.com/series/critical-perspectives-religion-international-politics

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## Institute of Political Economy - Visiting Professor Closing date: November 30, 2015

The Institute of Political Economy at Carleton University invites applications from distinguished scholars for a term-length appointment as Visiting Professor in the 2016-17 academic year. The Institute is unique in Canada in offering an M.A. and a Ph.D. Specialization in Political Economy. There will be two appointments in the 2016-17 academic year—one in the Fall term (September 2016 to December 2016) and one in the Winter term (January to April 2017). Both appointments involve teaching two graduate courses in an area of political economy, and

delivering a public lecture.

The applicant should have a record of internationally recognized published scholarship and strong record of teaching at the graduate level. Applications should be sent electronically in one single PDF document and include a full curriculum vitae, plus a short description of two proposed courses, and should be sent to Prof. Laura Macdonald, Institute of Political Economy, 1501Dunton Tower, CarltonUniversity, 1125 Colonel By Drive, Ottawa, ON, K1S5B6,via email to donna.coghill@carleton.ca. The closing date for applications is November 30, 2015.

Located in Ottawa, Ontario, CarletonUniversity is a dynamic and innovative research and teaching institution committed to developing solutions to real world problems by pushing the boundaries of knowledge and understanding. Its internationally recognized faculty, staff, and researchers provide academic opportunities in more than 100 programs of study to more than 28,000 full- and part-time students, from every province and more than 100 countries around the world. Carleton's creative, interdisciplinary, and international approach to research has led to many significant discoveries and creative work in science and technology, business, governance, public policy, and the arts. Minutes from downtown, Carleton University is located on a beautiful campus, bordered by the Rideau River and the Rideau Canal. With over 12 national museums and the spectacular Gatineau Park close by, there are many excellent recreational opportunities for individuals and families to enjoy. The City of Ottawa, with a population of almost one million, is Canada's capital city and reflects the country's bilingual and multicultural character. Carleton's location in the nation's capital provides many opportunities for research with groups and institutions that reflect the diversity of the country.

Carleton University is strongly committed to fostering diversity within its community as a source of excellence, cultural enrichment, and social strength. We welcome those who would contribute to the further diversification of our University including, but not limited to: women; visible minorities; FirstNations, Inuit and Métis peoples; persons with disabilities; and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity and expressions.

All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however Canadians and permanent residents will be given priority. All positions are subject to budgetary approval.

### **CONGRATULATORY NOTICES**

Matthew S. Winters was promoted to the rank of associate professor in the Department of Political Science at the University of Illinois.

Samid Suliman was recently awarded the 2015 Thesis Prize by the Australian Political Studies Association. The thesis ('Migration, Development, and Kinetic Politics') was supervised by Heloise Weber and Martin Weber and awarded by The University of Queensland. For more, see: http://www.auspsa.org.au/page/phd-thesis-prize

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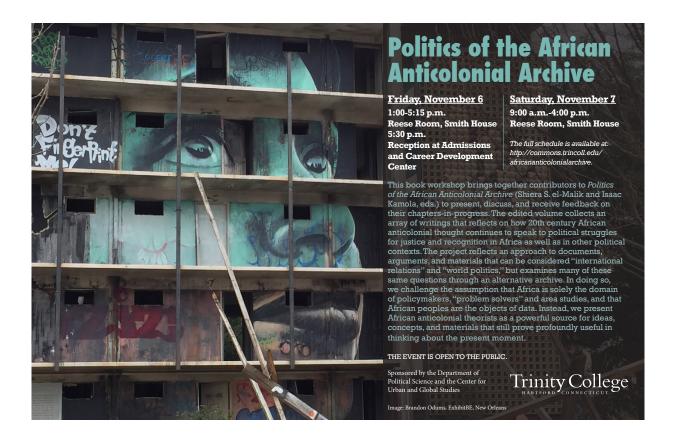
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## NOTICE OF ON-GOING PROJECTS



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On October 8-12, 2015 the World Public Forum "Dialogue of Civilizations" (WPF DoC) – an independent think-tank with offices in Vienna and Moscow – convened the 13<sup>th</sup> Rhodes Forum on the topic of "The World Beyond Global Disorder". This is an annual event on the Greek island of Rhodes that this year brought together about 300 participants from over 60 countries to debate pressing problems in global politics. Among the speakers were politicians, diplomats, business leaders, journalists, and academics – including a number of scholars in the field of international relations and global politics such as Prof. Richard Falk, Prof. Ashis Nandy, Dr Kapila Vatsyayan, Prof. Richard Werner, Dr Chandra Muzaffa, Prof. Tu Weiming, Dr Chanda Singh, Prof. Fred Dallmayr, Prof. Hans Köchler, Prof. Richard Sakwa and Prof. Raffaele Marchetti.

In a series of plenary sessions and workshops, the Rhodes Forum debated issues such as

reforming the UN and other pillars of global governance, transforming the global economy away from financial speculation and debt towards investment in productive activities, as well as addressing threats such as sectarian conflict or hybrid warfare. At the heart of the discussions was the search for alternatives that reflect cultural and social realities and can involve citizens, groups and intermediary institutions like professional associations or universities alongside the institutions of the state and the market. Crucially, the WPF DoC seeks to contest and transcend the logic of violence and inequality that characterizes many conventional theories and policy responses.

For example, "Hybrid warfare" represents the contemporary version of 'total war', which aims not only to achieve military victory but also to undo the political and social systems of states and precludes efforts to find diplomatic settlements. Wars such as those in North Africa and West Asia created by extremist groups such as Al-Qaeda, ISIS and Jabhat al-Nusra cannot be solved by military means alone but require political settlements that take into account cultural and religious realities.

In short, the WPF DoC defends the complex diversity of civilizations and supports pluralistic ideas at the service of inter-cultural and inter-civilisational dialogue. Disorder, inequality, and violence are not inevitable and a different response to conflict that addresses the roots of destabilisation could chart a road to peace and justice.

### **LAST**

Thanks to all who sent in newsletter items! Please forward any announcements that might be of interest to GDS members – including of published books or articles, calls for papers or proposals, notice of events or projects, etc. – <a href="mailto:smallk6@depaul.edu">smallk6@depaul.edu</a> with the words "GDS Newsletter" in the subject line.