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SLAS E-Newsletter, July 2014

The eNewsletter is compiled and sent out to you by Christy Palmer. If you have an upcoming event or items that you would like included in the next eNewsletter, then please send the details to: christy_palmer@mac.com

PLEASE NOTE: not all 'Call for Papers', are listed in the section 'Call for Papers'. Many are within the conference and seminar notices in the 'Conference and Seminars' section of the eNewsletter. All deadlines have been **highlighted** or **emboldened** in red.

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New Opportunities for Research Collaboration – The Newton Fund

The government has announced that £375 million of ODA (Overseas Development Assistance) will be used to create a fund to support research and innovation partnerships with 16 emerging economies. Four of these are in Latin America – Mexico, Colombia, Chile and Brazil. Its primary focus is to develop partner countries research and innovation capacity for long-term sustainable growth.

Research collaboration with Brazil is to receive £8 million and the other three countries £4 million. These countries are providing matching funds and will indicate their priorities.

Many of these priorities focus on science, but under many themes there is room for humanities and social sciences research. The priorities are still to be decided, but one theme being considered by all four partners is 'Future Cities.'

Each of the country programmes will be organised around 3 broad activities:

- PEOPLE: PhD partnering, industry & research fellowships, mobility schemes, research & innovation bridges, joint centres, and direct training
- PROGRAMMES: Development topics identified through discussion with the partner country
- TRANSLATION: Challenge-focussed partnerships, tech partnering events, innovation platforms

The funds will be managed by five delivery partners: RCUK, TSB, the Academies (Royal Society, British Academy, Royal Academy of Engineering, Academy of Medical Sciences), the British Council and the Met Office. Funding will be allocated on a competitive basis, the processes for which are being developed. The main delivery partners for Latin American research in the social sciences and humanities will be the British Academy and the British Council. They already run the International Partnership and Mobility Scheme and Research Links schemes respectively and these are like to be expanded.

All programmes are still in development but deadlines are likely to be tight. The British Council is aiming to publicise all the Newton opportunities through its Euraxess newsletter, so you are encouraged to sign up to this (www.euraxess.org.uk).

Newly declassified U.S. Government documents dealing with Brazil's dictatorship

Declassified Diplomacy with Brazil: National Security Archive Hails Obama Administration Decision to Assist Brazilian Truth Commission

http://nsarchive.wordpress.com/2014/06/20/declassified-diplomacy-with-brazil-national-security-archive-hails-obama-administration-decision-to-assist-brazilian-truth-commission/?utm_source=twitterfeed&utm_medium=twitter

Força-tarefa dos EUA investiga documentos do período da ditadura brasileira

<http://oglobo.globo.com/brasil/forca-tarefa-dos-eua-investiga-documentos-do-periodo-da-ditadura-brasileira-12924292>

EUA usam 'diplomacia de documentos' para aplacar tensão com Brasil, diz pesquisador americano
http://www.bbc.co.uk/portuguese/noticias/2014/06/140620_diplomacia_documentos_ms.shtml

Global Multidimensional Poverty Index, 2014
Oxford Poverty & Human Development Initiative, Department of International Development, Queen Elizabeth House, University of Oxford, Mansfield Road, Oxford

What is MPI?

The global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI) is an international measure of acute poverty covering over 100 developing countries. It complements traditional income-based poverty measures by capturing the severe deprivations that each person faces at the same time with respect to education, health and living standards.

The MPI assesses poverty at the individual level. If someone is deprived in a third or more of ten (weighted) indicators (see left), the global index identifies them as 'MPI poor', and the extent – or intensity – of their poverty is measured by the number of deprivations they are experiencing.

The MPI can be used to create a comprehensive picture of people living in poverty, and permits comparisons both across countries, regions and the world and within countries by ethnic group, urban/rural location, as well as other key household and community characteristics.

This makes it invaluable as an analytical tool to identify the most vulnerable people – the poorest among the poor, revealing poverty patterns within countries and over time, enabling policy makers to target resources and design policies more effectively.

The global MPI was developed by OPHI with the UN Development Programme (UNDP) for inclusion in UNDP's flagship Human Development Report in 2010. It has been published in the HDR ever since.

MPI Website & Content Update, 2014

The website has been revised and updated for 2014. New resources are now available:

- At-a-glance overview of our findings
- Synthesis of main 2014 results in eight pages
- Policy briefings on destitution, rural-urban multidimensional poverty, inequality among the multidimensionally
- Poor and on changes in multidimensional poverty over time.
- Data tables on:
 - Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI 2014)
 - MPI in Rural-Urban Areas
 - MPI by Subnational Regions
 - Changes in MPI and Destitution over time
- New draft papers on Destitution, Poverty Dynamics, and Inequality.

The Global MPI in 2014 covers 108 developing countries, including countries in Latin America and the Caribbean. Our analyses of multidimensional poverty across those countries span a number of topics, including destitution, dynamics, rural-urban comparisons, and inequality.

To Use MPI

To use the MPI, or any of the other tools and resources available, please visit the website, here: <http://www.ophi.org.uk/multidimensional-poverty-index/>.

CASA Festival

DEADLINE 14 July, 2014

For Latin American Artists working in the UK:

CASArt is our visual arts programme for UK-based Latin American visual artists working either solo or in collaboration with another artist of any nationality. Last year as well as a photography exhibition by Julio Etchart we had an installation by Onion Lullaby Collective responding to the brief "Latin Americans in London". We have just opened our call for submissions for CASArt 2014. The theme is "home". Full details and how to apply can be found at:

<http://www.casafestival.org.uk/nuestra-casa/artists-in-residence/>

For Latin American performers/dancers/live art practitioners:

CASA Festival is the UK's biggest and best festival dedicated to showcasing Latin American performing arts, both from the continent and from UK-based practitioners. We have just opened our call for participants for our 2014 Artist-in-Residence scheme.

If you are a UK-based Latin American theatre, dance or live art practitioner or company that has a new idea you would like to try out in front of our festival audience and a panel of industry professionals? Would you like to be in with a chance of winning a bursary to develop that idea for CASA 2015? Would you or one of your company like the chance to attend all shows, workshops and talks during the festival, participate in structured discussions around the work seen and get paid a per diem for attendance?

Excellent, then look no further. Our call is now open for our Artist-in-Residence scheme and Scratch Night. The full details and how to apply can be found via our website at:

<http://www.casafestival.org.uk/nuestra-casa/artists-in-residence/>

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EVENTS

Bread, Freedom & Social Justice: Organised workers & mass mobilizations in Latin America, the Arab world & Europe
CRASSH, 17 Mill Lane, University of Cambridge, Cambridge
10 July, 2014 | 10.00 - 18.00

The wave of protest against neoliberalism which swept through Latin America in the early years of the 21st Century, the Arab Revolutions of 2011, the anti-austerity and Occupy movements in Europe and North America are connected by a common thread: the demand for economic justice. This international conference will provide the first opportunity for scholars, journalists and activists from Argentina, the UK, the US, Greece, Spain, Egypt, Tunisia and beyond to compare the challenges faced by the Latin American movements with the experience of mobilizations for similar demands in the Arab world and Europe since 2011. We will focus on the interactions between organised workers and the unemployed, youth and students who have played a key role in many of the street mobilizations of the past two years as they build alliances, make demands of the state, and attempt to define political and social alternatives to neo-liberalism and austerity.

Workers' strikes and protests played a critical role in propelling the mass movements in Latin America into state power, destabilised dictatorships in Tunisia and Egypt, and continue to challenge austerity governments across Europe. Yet the role of workers as a collective social actor is significantly underestimated in narratives of the Latin American 'Turn to the Left' and the 'Arab Spring' alike. In an age which commentators have branded an era of social media revolutions, this conference will also provide a space for critical perspectives on the relationship between digital communication and organisational praxis.

Papers will address the following themes:

- Structural changes in the composition of the working class; and the impact of these on labour-based mobilization and other kinds of mobilizations for economic justice.
- Organisational praxis of the struggle for economic justice; potential for cross-fertilization between labour-based movements and those of other social actors, the role of the trade union bureaucracy, also the contributions that trade unionists may make towards sustainability of oppositional protest; the use of social media as a tool for activism; the experience of the Occupy movements.
- Economic justice and the question of state power; Can mass mobilizations win the redistribution of wealth by propelling more progressive regimes into power? Are these mobilizations capable of generating alternative institutions of state power? Can the current struggles for economic justice win their demands without confronting the state directly?

Check the programme for the event here:

<https://ilas.sas.ac.uk/sites/default/files/files/EEvents/10%20July%20Programme.pdf>

For further information and to register click here:

<http://www.crassh.cam.ac.uk/events/25028>

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Canning Paper Briefing: Understanding Security In Latin America
14/15 Belgrave Square , London SW1X 8PS
15 July, 2014 | 08:30 - 09:30

Latin America has some of the highest homicide rates in the world, several times above 'epidemic' levels. The statistics are indisputable — but what does this say in practical terms about insecurity for the public at large and for business across the region? The perception of insecurity is, in a number of cases, highest where the homicide rates are among the lowest. Why? This special paper examines the adequacy of the indicators most commonly used to measure insecurity and the broadening scope of the search for causes. It delves into the available evidence on the impact of insecurity on investment and the conduct of business. It also reviews recent changes — positive as well as negative — in the situations of individual countries and the reasons offered for them.

Eduardo Crawley has written several books and essays on Latin American politics and history. His experience and knowledge of Latin American politics - including the personalities involved - is unrivalled. For 20 years he was editor of Latin American Newsletters, with personal responsibility for our flagship publication, Latin American Weekly Report. Since 2003 he has been editor of our monthly Latin American Security and Strategic Review and co-Editor of our bi-monthly Latin American Special Reports. Before joining Latin American Newsletters in 1982, Eduardo was one of the editors of The Economist's Latin American edition, Economics editor of the Argentine newspaper La Opinión, editor of the inter-American magazine Visión and managing editor of South magazine.

This event is for Canning Circle Members, but may be opened up to other corporate members space permitting. To register your interest in attending please contact us: Latin America has some of the highest homicide rates in the world, several times above 'epidemic' levels. The statistics are indisputable — but what does this say in practical terms about insecurity for the public at large and for business across the region? The perception of insecurity is, in a number of cases, highest where the homicide rates are among the lowest. Why? This special paper examines the adequacy of the indicators most commonly used to measure insecurity and the broadening scope of the search for causes. It delves into the available evidence on the impact of insecurity on investment and the conduct of business. It also reviews recent changes — positive as well as negative — in the situations of individual countries and the reasons offered for them.

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Central American And Caribbean Short Stories By Eduardo De Benito
14/15 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PS
17 July, 2014 | 18.30 - 20.00

"Life is stranger than fiction" – the old adage is present with humour and wit in this delightful collection of five short stories based partly in real stories and partly on fictional situations placed in Panama, Venezuela and Belize, among others, by Eduardo de Benito.

De Benito worked for many years in London as a broadcaster and features presenter for the BBC World Service, and as a London correspondent for Spanish political weeklies. The son of Spanish exiles from Franco's regime, he was brought up in Bogotá, Mexico City and Paris. He is the author of two books in Spanish and his first novel in English, "Only a Little Protocol", was published in 2011. He now lives, writes, sails and walks in North Norfolk.

A short introduction by the author will be followed by drinks.

Book will be on sale at a 20% discount to those who attend this launch.

To attend this launch, please book a place [here](#).

China And Latin America, 2014-2016: Three Dimensions
14/15 Belgrave Square, London SW1X 8PS
29 July, 2014 | 08.30 - 09.30

Since late April, widespread commentary in mainstream media has alluded to the possibility that, by some measures, China may overtake the United States (US) to become the world's largest national economy before the end of 2014. Whether or not this happens, it remains true that developments in China have considerably greater potential to affect economies in Latin America than they used to. The title of this paper, 'China and Latin America, 2014-2016: Three Dimensions' reflects several aspects of the relationship between the country and the region that we consider important.

This paper was edited by Andrew Hutchings, economist, financial journalist, and Chairman and Co-Founder at Universal Copywriters; and Eileen Gavin, Managing Editor at Latin News.

Canning House Briefings offer our Corporate Members the opportunity to join intimate roundtable discussions focusing on Latin American business, politics, and current affairs. For more information on membership, please contact joe.mulhern@canninghouse.org.

Canning Circle (Patron) members are given priority to register for Canning Paper Briefings. However, if space is available, registration will be opened to all Canning House Corporate Members for a charge to cover the cost of the printed briefing paper and breakfast.

Migrating Texts
Senate House, London
31 October, and 1 November, 2014

The 'Migrating Texts' colloquia are three half-day workshops aimed primarily at postgraduate and early career researchers within the modern languages, English studies and humanities. Each colloquium will take the text (written or audiovisual) as a starting point and explore its transformation into different forms: through subtitling, translation and intermedial adaptation.

By bringing together leading academics with representatives of the creative and cultural industries, these colloquia provide participants with a unique opportunity to exchange knowledge and explore the opportunities for collaboration between these two, often falsely separated, worlds. Moreover, the events will showcase the possibilities open to researchers with both language skills and knowledge of texts, whether you want to increase your impact and public engagement, or are looking for alternatives to an academic career.

Through these inter-related colloquia, we seek to promote dialogue and critical engagement between research students, ECRs, and academic and commercial bodies. Each colloquium will therefore comprise two 90-minute sessions featuring short presentations from a mixture of academic and industry speakers, a round-table and a Q+A session with participants. There will also be plenty of time for networking over tea and biscuits! You are welcome to attend just one, two or all three colloquia.

Click [here](#) for the programme, more details of each session and the speakers.

Click [here](#) to register.

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CALL FOR PAPERS

The Transformation of Latin American Social Policy: Dynamics, Institutions and Outcomes
University of Bath (UK), Department of Social and Policy Sciences
7 November 2014

DEADLINE 15 July, 2014

Confirmed Keynote Speakers

- **Prof Armando Barrientos**, Brooks World Poverty Institute, University of Manchester
- **Dr Juliana Martinez Franzoni**, Instituto de Investigaciones Sociales, Universidad de Costa Rica

This is an exciting time for the study of social policy in Latin America. During the twenty-first century, social policy in the region has been transforming at an unprecedented scale. Rapid and diverse policy changes have taken social protection to groups of the population never reached before. New institutional landscapes and modes of welfare governance have emerged, redefining the roles of the state, market and the family in social protection. These have resulted in new patterns of redistribution affecting the wellbeing of millions of Latin Americans.

Our conference will address the following questions:

- What are the main social, political and economic dynamics of change in social policy in Latin America?
- What are the characteristics of social policy programmes and how can we explain their redistributive impact on the reduction of poverty and inequality?
- To what extent have changes generated divergent or convergent welfare models? Is there an emerging model of social policy in Latin America?
- In what ways have changes in social policy reconfigured the roles of the state, the market and families in the production, distribution and consumption of welfare?

We invite papers willing to explore one or more of these topics. These may take the form of a national case study, sub-national or cross-national comparisons or studies of wider regional dynamics affecting social policy. Contributions from doctoral students are very welcome. A select number of papers will be included in a proposal for a special issue in a peer-reviewed Journal.

Hosting and fees

There is no conference participation fee. The conference is hosted by the Institute for Policy Research and the Centre for the Analysis of Social Policy at the University of Bath.

Abstract Submission and deadline

Please send abstracts (maximum 300 words) to rvi20@bath.ac.uk

- Deadline for abstract submissions: 15th July 2014.
- Successful participants will be notified by: 30th July 2014.
- Deadline for submission of accepted papers: 20th October 2014.

For further queries, please contact **Ricardo Velazquez Leyer** at r.velazquez.leyer@bath.ac.uk

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MAGAZINES / NEWSLETTERS / NEWS WEBSITES

Journal of Agrarian Change (JAC), July 2014

There are several articles on Latin America in the July issue that might be of particular interest to SLAS members. For those interested in the complete issue go directly to JAC's website: wileyonlinelibrary.com/journal/joac.

Ecuador

[Tempest in the Andes? Part 1: Agrarian Reform and Peasant Differentiation in Cotopaxi](#)

Víctor Bretón Solo De Zaldívar

[Tempest in the Andes? Part 2: Peasant Organization and Development Agencies in Cotopaxi](#)

Víctor Bretón Solo De Zaldívar

[Resisting Environmental Dispossession in Ecuador: Whom Does the Political Category of 'Ancestral Peoples of the Mangrove Ecosystem' Include and Aim to Empower?](#)

Sara Latorre

Perú

[The Real of Community, the Desire for Development and the Performance of Egalitarianism in the Peruvian Andes: A Materialist–Utopian Account](#)

Pieter de Vries

[Why Beautify the Plaza? Reproducing Community in Decentralized Neoliberal Peru](#)

Susan Vincent

Bolivia

[The Return of the State: Neocollectivism, Agrarian Politics and Images of Technological Progress in the MAS Era in Bolivia](#)

Diana Cordoba and Kees Jansen

Argentina

[Accumulation by Dispossession and Socio-Environmental Conflicts Caused by the Expansion of Agribusiness in Argentina](#)

Daniel M. Cáceres

TOP**JOBS**

1 x Professor, Associate Professor or Lecturer, in the field of Globalization and Latin America.

The Faculty of Intercultural Communication, Ryukoku University

DEADLINE September 12, 2014

The Faculty of Intercultural Communication, Ryukoku University is moving to the Fukakusa Campus in Kyoto on April 1st, 2015, and will change its name to the Faculty of International Studies. It will be composed of two departments: Intercultural Communication, and Global Studies.

1. **Major Field of Study:** Globalization and Latin America
2. **Major Teaching Classes:** “*Globalization and Latin America*”, “*Multinational Corporations*” and “*Globalization and Ethics*” (The Department of Global Studies plans to initiate these classes)
3. **Position and Rank:** One position available for a Professor, Associate Professor or Lecturer
4. **Starting Date of Employment:** April 1, 2015
5. **Qualifications:**
 1. You must possess doctorate or equivalent
 2. You must be able to teach classes in English
 3. Japanese language proficiency to perform administrative duties is desirable
6. **Required Documents** (Please fill out all documents, in principle using a word processor, **in Japanese**. The forms mentioned can be downloaded here: <http://www.world.ryukoku.ac.jp/download.html>.)
 1. Academic C.V. with photo, original and 3 copies (Form 1)
 2. Record of educational experience and professional qualifications and achievements, original and three copies (Form 2)
 3. List of publications (with the three most important marked with a circle), original and three copies (Form 3)
 4. Four originals*, offprints or copies, of the three publications marked in (3) above
 5. Summaries of the three publications marked in (3) above, within 800 characters each, 4 copies (Form 4)
 6. A statement of teaching philosophy you would follow if you are hired, on one sheet of A4 paper in any style, 4 copies
 7. A statement of highest academic degree and academic field, 4 copies (Form 5)

[*] Those candidates desiring the return of publications included in 6.4 above, please provide a stamped, self-addressed envelope. Documents other than publications will not be returned.

7. **Document Submission Deadline:** September 12, 2014

8. **Selection Process:**

1. After considering submitted materials, short-listed candidates may be called for an interview and also may be asked to give a model lecture.

2. Selected candidates may be asked to submit a health certificate and proof of final degree earned.
3. Applicants will be directly notified of the results of the selection process (around late November 2014). Together with the submitted documents, please enclose a stamped, self-addressed envelope for the return of the results.

9. Applications should be sent by registered mail to:

Attn: Faculty Recruitment Committee
Ryukoku University
Faculty of Intercultural Communication Academic Office 1-5 Yokotani
Oe-cho
Seta
Otsu City
Japan
520-2194

Tel: 81-077-543-7670 Fax: 81-077-543-7674

Please write "*Globalization and Latin America, faculty position application materials*" in **red ink** on the outside of the envelope and make certain that all necessary materials have been included.

Personal information submitted by applicants will be handled in strict compliance with the appropriate confidentiality guidelines of the University and will only be used for the purposes of evaluation and selection.

The Faculty of Intercultural Communication respects diversity among its faculty. Presently it is comprised of 35% international and 24% female faculty.

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