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EVENTS

A new series of briefing papers presenting research insights and policy recommendations has been launched in DEV. The series aims to raise the profile of policy-relevant research being undertaken in the School and inform international development policy agendas and debates. The series can be downloaded [here](#).

[Professor Kate Brown](#) and [Professor Declan Conway](#) have been appointed to the ESPA International Programme Advisory Committee. They are the 2 UK-based members of the 10 person international group. Following last year's Queen's Anniversary Prize award, these appointments underscore the significance and standing of DEV's work and expertise on ecosystem services and poverty alleviation.

[Dr Roger Few](#) is organising an Environmental Justice, Health and Wellbeing Research Seminar on 7th April at UEA London. The seminar will explore how ideas of environmental justice can inform and advance research and action on the linkages between environment, human health and wellbeing. Information can be found [here](#).

[Professor Rhys Jenkins](#) and [Professor Peter Newell](#) are co-hosting a seminar on 'Re-thinking Business'. This is part of an ESRC-funded series on 'Corporate Social Responsibility and Development' and takes place on Monday April 11th 2011, 14.00-17.30. See [here](#) for details.

[Dr Laura Camfield](#) is presenting a discussion paper entitled 'Children's 'social capital' – can it be measured? Should we even try?' at the University of Cambridge's Children's Capabilities and Human Development: Research Inside and Outside of Schools Conference, 11-12th April 2011.

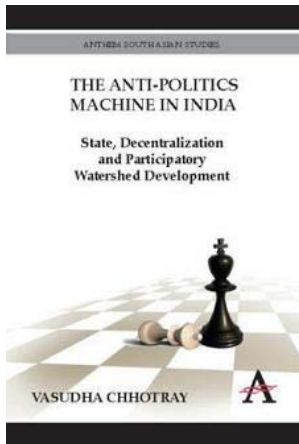
[Dr Laura Camfield](#) will be presenting a paper on: 'Security, Productivity and 'Social Equity'? A community-level exploration of tensions within the Mahatma Ghandi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme'. at the Centre for Social Protection (CSP) conference at IDS on 13-15th April 2011.

The FAO is supporting a dissemination workshop in Uganda for [Professor Janet Seeley's](#) FAO/MRC/ESRC-supported research project on 'The Longitudinal Impact of HIV and AIDS on agriculture in Uganda'. This will take place on 13-14th April 2011.

['Exploring the Forest-Poverty Link: New Research Findings'](#) an international workshop on role of forest resources in rural livelihoods will be held at UEA 13-14th June 2011. This will present findings from the DFID-ESRC research project on which [Professors Kate Brown](#) and [Frank Ellis](#) collaborated with CIFOR and the Poverty Environment Network (PEN). This event will be followed by a one-day conference at the Royal Society in London on ['Counting on the environment: the contribution of forests to rural livelihoods'](#) on 15th June.

RESEARCH OUTPUTS

Books/Book Chapters



[Dr Vasudha Chhotray](#) has published 'The Anti-Politics Machine in India', Anthem Press. The book uses James Ferguson's memorable metaphor of development as an *'anti-politics machine'* that serves to entrench state power and depoliticize development by treating various issues apolitically. Dr Chhotray considers this problem in the context of India, a country where post-independence development planners have adopted a scientific stance and claimed to distance themselves from mass politics, yet the groundswell of democratic political mobilization has been considerable in recent decades.

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Working Papers

Dr Maren Duvendack, [Dr Richard Palmer-Jones](#), '[High Noon for Microfinance Impact Evaluations: Re-investigating the Evidence from Bangladesh](#)'. This paper draws conclusions from applying propensity score matching (PSM) to a well known microfinance study used to support claims that microfinance benefits the poorest.

[Professor Cecile Jackson](#), '[External Validity in Experimental Methods: a Social Reality Check](#)'. This paper analyses the use by anthropologists of experimental games in developing countries, to assess the extent to which these methods can shed light on everyday norms and social preferences.

[Dr Ben D'Exelle](#), Judith Westeneng. '[The Influence of Fertility and Household Composition on Female Labor Supply: Evidence from Panel Data on Tanzania](#)'. This article studies the impact of fertility on female time allocation to income-generating activities in Northern Tanzania.

NEW RESEARCH GRANTS

[Dr Oliver Springate-Baginski](#) has won a Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) grant for 'Integrating Forest Ecosystem Service Assessment with Pro-Poor Governance in India'. This two year research will develop better conceptual understanding of the links between forest governance, forest ecosystem services, and human well being, particularly of the poor.

[Dr Thomas Sikor](#) has won an EU FP7 grant on 'Impacts of Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation and Enhancing Carbon Stocks (I-REDD+)'. This four year research project will draw on interdisciplinary researchers to improve understanding of how the implementation of REDD+ mechanisms may reduce emissions of GHGs; impact livelihoods; impact biodiversity conservation; and provide a realistic framework for monitoring, reporting and verification of REDD+. Research will take place in China, Vietnam, Lao PDR, and Indonesia.

CONSULTANCY

[Professor Peter Newell](#) provided support to the Climate and Development Knowledge Network's Commissioning Review Group as a Thematic Expert. Through this role Professor Newell provided intellectual leadership on climate compatible development, and support on associated activities requiring expert opinion.

[Dr Mark Zeitoun](#) provided training input on the Stockholm International Water Institute's International Training Programme on Water Resources in the MENA and Lake Victoria regions.

[Dr Roger Few](#) will be supporting Ecorys Holding BV in their EU project 'Strengthening the EU disaster management capacity – good practices on disaster prevention'. Dr Few will provide disaster prevention, and climate change, expertise and contribute to drafting practical guidelines on minimum standards in disaster management capacity, and training on workshops.

[Professor Peter Newell](#) and [Mr Jon Philips](#) are producing a background paper on 'Pursuing Clean Energy Equitably' for the Human Development Report 2011: Sustaining Equitable Progress.

[Dr Pieter Serneels](#) is taking the lead in a joint paper on 'Qualitative and Quantitative Survey Data on HIV and AIDS Collected from Health Students and Workers in Rwanda', for Oxford Policy Management.

[Dr Mark Zeitoun](#) will be working as Senior Water Supply and Wastewater Specialist on the 'Comparative Study of Options for an Additional Supply of Water for the Gaza Strip' project managed by Phillips Robinson and Associates. Dr Zeitoun will join a team assessing possible options for water supply for the Gaza strip, and conducting comparative analysis between various options

NEW AND FORTHCOMING COURSES/ACTIVITIES

The following UEA based short courses will run in 2011. [Water Security for Policy Makers and Practitioners \(23rd-27th May\)](#) – NB an updated timetable for this course can be found on [here](#). This course is nearly full; if you are interested please get in touch with devco.train@uea.ac.uk as soon as possible. [Gender and Development \(20th June-1st July\)](#); [Impact Evaluation for Evidence-Based Policy in Development \(4th-15th July\)](#); [Management Information Systems for Monitoring and Evaluation \(15-26th August\)](#); [Climate Change and Development \(31st August-13th September\)](#);

Courses on [Gender and Internal Organisational Change](#), and [the Professional Development Programme](#) (in which individuals and small groups can access study programmes tailored to professional needs) can be organized according to interest and demand. For information on these courses please contact devco.train@uea.ac.uk.

NEW STAFF



[Dr Kathleen Fincham](#) has joined DEV as course convenor for the new MRes in Development Practice (Distance Learning), and teaches on the Development Practice undergraduate module. Dr Fincham has research interests in development and education, gender, and development practice. She has expertise on national identity in the Middle East, particularly in Palestine and Lebanon.



[Dr Kathrin Forstner](#) has been working in DEV as an associate tutor, and is working with Dr Fincham on the MRes in Development Practice, and the academic and employability skills support provided to DEV students. Her research interests include gender and rural development, gender and collective action and the links between tourism, culture and development.

[Dr Paul Clist](#) joins International Development UEA as an ESRC Postdoctoral Fellow. Dr Clist is an applied development economist with expertise in development aid and applied econometric analysis. He will be developing his research on the allocation, composition and effects of aid, train in econometric methods, lecture at under and post-graduate level, and continue to publish and disseminate his research.

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