EVENTS

Dr Paul Clist, Impact Evaluation Enterprise Fellow in DEV has secured three internships for students on the DEV MSc in Impact Evaluation with Oxfam GB, CARE and Tearfund. The internships will give students the opportunity to work alongside evaluation professionals, against a terms of reference, for up to 4 months, starting after the taught part of the course.

Dr Paul Clist will be presenting a DFID’s Economists/Financial Instruments seminar on April 28th 2014.

Dr Yvan Guichaoua will be giving a public lecture on Sahelian Politics and the rise of Al Qaeda in the Sahara at UEA London on April 3rd at 19.00. The lecture will be followed by a drinks reception; register here to reserve a place.

DEV will be running a Media and Development Symposium on April 1st 2014, run by students taking the Media and International Development Module. Topics include Social Media and Political Change, Imperialism and Beyond, Participatory Communication, and Social Media and NGOs in China. The timetable can be found here.

DEV, in collaboration with the Schools of Education and Lifelong Learning, and Language and Communication Studies, at UEA, are running the following joint seminars:

Wednesday 2nd April - Dr. Spyros Themelis, School of Education and Lifelong Learning UEA: 'Highly educated and long-term unemployed: the lost children of the European periphery'
ARTS 01.02, 1530-1700

Friday 13th June - Professor Brian Street, Emeritus Professor Kings’ College London & Honorary Professor UEA and Maria Lucia Castanheira, UFMG Brazil, “Comparative perspectives on education in Angola and Brazil”
ARTS 1.83, 1200 -1300
Information can be found here for the previous and current programme of DEV research seminars. Details on the DEV Professional Development Courses running this year can be found here.

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NEW RESEARCH GRANTS

Dr Roger Few is Principal Investigator for a five year grant awarded by IDRC under their CARIAA (Collaborative Adaptation Research initiative in Africa and Asia) programme. DEV is in a consortium led by the University of Cape Town, and the research will focus on enabling communities and decision makers develop strong adaptation strategies in the face of the impact of climate change on livelihoods. The DEV team will be conducting research in East Africa. Dr Jessica Budds, Dr Laura Camfield, Dr Vasudha Chhotray, Dr Nicole Gross-Camp, Dr Jennifer Leavy and Professor Nitya Rao.

Professor Thomas Sikor has secured funding from the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research for the ‘Conflict and Cooperation over REDD+ in Mexico, Nepal and Vietnam (CoCooR)’ research project. This four year research project will strengthen the evidence on the impact of REDD+ on conflict and cooperation in developing countries, and build national capacity to analyse conflicts and support the design and implementation of conflict-sensitive REDD+ practice and policy.

Dr Edward Anderson, Dr Maren Duvendack and post-doctoral researcher Dr Maria Ana D Orey, are doing two systematic reviews for DFID. The first is addressing the question: What policies and interventions have been strongly associated with reductions in in-country income inequality? The second question is looking at: What policies and other interventions have been strongly associated with the translation of growth into reductions in income poverty?

CONSULTANCY

Dr Maren Duvendack worked with GIZ in Uganda to support and strengthen evaluation capacity at both a government and civil society level.

Dr Geraldine Terry, DEV Associate, carried out a literature review on the ‘Social and Cultural factors affecting aquaculture’ for World Fish’s Seventh Framework Programme on the Role of Aquaculture in improving food security and eradicating poverty worldwide (AFSPAN).

Dr Maren Duvendack, Dr Paul Clist, and Dr Jennifer Leavy are providing a series of training in impact evaluation methodologies for staff at the UK Government Department for Business Innovation and Skills (BIS). The training includes matching techniques, meta-analysis and systematic reviews, panel data methods, regression discontinuity design, regression and difference in difference, and instrumental variables.

NEW STAFF

Anni Ariel has joined DEV as Research and Training Coordinator on Global Environmental Justice. She will be working with Professor Thomas Sikor.

Dr Poshendra Satyal has joined DEV as a Senior Research Associate working with Professor Thomas Sikor on the Netherlands Organisation for Scientific Research (NWO) funded ‘Conflict and Cooperation over REDD+ in Mexico, Nepal and Vietnam’ research project.

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