Institute of Social Sciences Annual Forum

University of Sydney
Annual Social Sciences Forum

You are invited to the University’s Annual Forum showcasing social science research. The speakers are prize winners in the University’s annual social science competition, together with two invited guest speakers. This year the Forum will also include the formal launch of the Institute of Social Sciences.

Tuesday 22nd September 2009
Darlington Centre

Speakers
10 – 11am Bronwyn Winter
Winner Mid-Career Researcher 2008 Prize

11am – 12pm Alex Broom
Winner Early Career Researcher 2008 Prize

2 – 3pm Joy Paton
Winner 2008 Social Science PhD Prize

3 – 4pm

Guest Speaker: Margaret Levi
Founding Professor of US Politics, US Studies Centre, University of Sydney & Director, CHAOS, Department of Political Science, University of Washington, Seattle

4 – 5pm Reception and Drinks

5pm Institute Launch
VC, Michael Spence, will launch the Institute of Social Sciences and present prizes to the annual award winners, followed by:

5pm – 7pm

Guest Speaker: Robert Wade
Professor of Political Economy at the London School of Economics and Political Science. He will speak on
The Global Slump: Deeper Causes and Harder Lessons

RSVP: Essential for the reception and evening forum. Space is limited.
Please email Nisha Brooks at n.brooks@usyd.edu.au, by Thursday 3rd September.
Social Sciences at the University of Sydney: Prominent Social Scientists Speak
The Institute of Social Sciences will host a public seminar series on the theme, “Social Sciences at the University of Sydney: Prominent Social Scientists Speak.” All speakers are from the University of Sydney.

Date: 3 September, 2009
Time: 5:30pm
Venue: New Law School Lecture Theatre 024
Theme: The organisation of the social sciences: some critical reflections
Presenter: Dr Michael Spence, Vice-Chancellor

Date: 10 September, 2009
Time: 5:30pm
Venue: New Law School Lecture Theatre 104
Theme: The global pattern of knowledge in the social sciences and the role of the periphery
Presenter: Professor Raewyn Connell, Education & Social Work
For a full schedule of the Institute’s Public Seminars please visit our website at:

EVENTS:

2009 Thursday Night Lecture Series, Faculty of Architecture, Design and Planning
Date: 13 August, 2009
Time: 6:30pm
Venue: Wilkinson Building, University of Sydney
Theme: A 30 Year Public Transport Plan for Sydney
Presenter: Dr Garry Glazebrook
Website: www.arch.usyd.edu.au/prc

Governing and Defence – Some Early Impressions
Date: 13 August, 2009
Time: 6:30 – 7:30pm
Venue: Ibis Room, Marriott Hotel, 36 College Street, Sydney
Presenter: The Hon, John Faulkner, Senator for New South Wales – Minister for Defence
To Register: Email a.nettlefold@anzsog.edu.au

University of Sydney Transnational and Transcultural Research Network
Date: 13 August, 2009
Time: 5:00 – 6:00pm
Venue: New Law Seminar Room 105
Theme: Verticalism and the Idea of South
Presenter: Kevin Murray, Adjunct Professor, RMIT and convenor of Southern Perspectives
Enquiries: Bronwyn Winter & Kiran Grewal tcm.10@usyd.edu.au
School of Social and Political Sciences Lunchtime Research Seminars 2009
Date: 18 August, 2009
Time: 1:00 – 2:00pm
Venue: RC Mills, Room 148
Theme: Building a Research Network
Presenter: Associate Professor Catherine Waldby
Enquiries: Lyn Dickens at lyn.dickens@usyd.edu.au

Department of Government and International Relations 2009 Colloquium
Date: 27 August, 2009
Time: 12:00 – 1:30pm
Venue: Merewether Building, Seminar Room 397
Theme: The State in the Economy: Neoliberalism or Neoactivism?
Presenter: Professor Linda Weiss, GIR
Enquiries: c.epstein@usyd.edu.au

Bridging and Blending Disciplines of Inquiry
Date: 27 August, 2009
Time: 4:30 - 6:30pm (refreshments at 4:30pm for 5:00pm start)
Venue: 351, Education Building, A35
Theme: Comparative Analysis
Presenter: Anthony Welch

Discipline of Work and Organisational Studies
Date: 12 August, 2009
Time: 12:30 – 2:00pm (lunch will be served at the seminars)
Venue: Meeting Room 6, Darlington Centre
Theme: Labour market and IR reforms: is flexicurity an answer?
Presenter: Peter Auer, Senior Fellow at the International Institute of Labor Studies at the ILO
Enquiries: Dr Leanne Cutcher at l.cutcher@econ.usyd.edu.au

University of Sydney Transnational and Transcultural Research Network
Date: 2 September, 2009
Time: 4:00 – 5:30pm
Venue: Eastern Avenue Seminar Room 116
Theme: Questioning the Islam-West dichotomy
Presenter: Ahmad Shboul, Arabic and Islamic Studies, School of Languages and Culture
Enquiries: Bronwyn Winter & Kiran Grewal tcm.10@usyd.edu.au

Department of Government and International Relations 2009 Colloquium
Date: 10 September, 2009
Time: 12:00 – 1:30pm
Venue: Merewether Building, Seminar Room 397
Theme: IPE’s Split Brain. American vs. British Schools of International Political Economy
Presenter: Dr Kate Weaver, University of Texas
Enquiries: c.epstein@usyd.edu.au
Discipline of Work and Organisational Studies
Date: 11 September, 2009
Time: 1:00 – 2:30pm
Venue: Econ & Business Building (H69) 214/215
Theme: Responsible Retailing: The reality of CSR on banana plantations in Costa Rica
Presenter: Dr Pamela Robinson, BRASS Centre, Cardiff University
Enquiries: Dr Leanne Cutcher at l.cutcher@econ.usyd.edu.au

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

AusAid- Australian Development Research Awards – 2009 Funding Round
The Australian Development Research Awards are designed to attract quality research that informs policy development and increases the general stock of knowledge around development issues. The 2009 Funding Round will award funding for research in the following nine priority theme areas:

- Disability-inclusive development
- Economics
- Gender
- Performance-linked aid

The Funding Round is open to all Australian and international not-for-profit institutions or organisations where research is a core component of the organisation’s mandate and where the organisation has a demonstrated capacity to carry out quality research and manage grant funds according to AusAID’s policies. Successful proposals are eligible to receive between AUD $100,000 and $300,000 per year.

Contact: Julia Bouwens on 8627 8142 or email jbouwens@usyd.edu.au
Website: http://www.ausaid.gov.au/research/awards.cfm
Closing Date: 11th September 2009

CALL FOR PAPERS

Academy of the Social Sciences Workshop Program: Call for proposals
The Workshop Program of the Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia funds several workshops each year that enable workshop organisers to bring together leading scholars to present and discuss the implications of their work. We now call for proposals for workshops commencing in July 2010 and to be completed no later than June, 2011.
Deadline: Friday 30th October 2009.
Queries: Sarah Tynan Email: tynan.assa@anu.edu.au

4th Oceanic Conference on International Studies (OCIS), Auckland, New Zealand 30 June – 2 July 2010
OCIS is an initiative to facilitate the coming together of the growing community of international studies researchers in Australia, New Zealand, the Pacific and beyond.
The fourth OCIS conference will engage with a wide range of themes. They include: Aid and Development, America and the World, Asia-Pacific and East Asian Politics and IR, Europe and the World, Gender and Feminism and more.
Submission of Abstracts must be done electronically before 30 November 2009 to: ocis@auckland.ac.nz
For details about OCIS IV, see www.ocis.org.nz

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Holberg International Memorial Prize 2010
The Board of the Ludvig Holberg Memorial Funding is now calling for nominations for the Holberg International Memorial Prize 2010 for outstanding scholarly work in the fields of the arts and humanities, social science, law and theology. The prize has a value of NOK 4.5 million (appr. EURO 500,000). The Holberg Prize aims to increase society’s awareness of the value of research in the above mentioned fields.
The nomination deadline is 12 October 2009.
For more information please visit www.holbergprisen.no or contact Project Manger, Trine Kleven at trine.kleven@holbergprisen.no

eResearch mini-update

If you would like to keep up with eResearch activity and possible avenues for support, please email Jim Richardson (ICT Relationship Manager for eResearch) at jimr@usyd.edu.au to be added to a low-volume “eResearch reference group” email announcement list.