Institute of Commonwealth Studies
Annual Report 2010-2011
About the Institute

The Institute of Commonwealth Studies, founded in 1949, is the only postgraduate academic institution in the United Kingdom devoted to the study of the Commonwealth, both historically and in its contemporary forms. The Institute promotes, facilitates and coordinates research on the Commonwealth with particular regard to social and civil society policy in Commonwealth nations, human rights and the history of British decolonisation, as well as exploring the continued relevance of the contemporary Commonwealth.

The Institute is a leading developer of Commonwealth Policy through the Commonwealth Advisory Bureau. Relaunched in 2011, the CA/B is the world's leading think-tank on Commonwealth affairs, providing policy workshops for British Ministers of State, and recommendations to the Commonwealth Heads of Government on issues as diverse as civil society and democracy, fisheries, the benefits of Commonwealth membership and women's rights. In this consultancy capacity, the Institute benefits from diversification of its income, adding further value and benefit to the work undertaken using HEFCE special funding.

The Institute promotes and facilitates research in these areas through an extensive and highly respected programme of academic and policy-relevant events. In any given year, the Institute of Commonwealth Studies organises approximately 100 seminars, roundtable discussions, conferences, symposia, workshops, and public lectures. Many of the papers presented at seminars and conferences are later published in edited volumes or leading academic journals such as The Round Table and Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History.

The Visiting and Senior Research Fellows of the Institute are some of the most respected scholars of the Commonwealth and Empire in the world. Such figures are attracted to the Institute because it represents an outstanding forum for collaborative research, through its nationwide network of Research Associates, offering facilities for scholarly events, access to its library and a home institution from which independent scholars can apply for research funding.

The Institute is also home to the longest-running Master's programme in the UK on Human Rights. In an uncertain student recruitment environment, the Institute has grown its student numbers again in 2011-12, demonstrating the standing of its faculty and representing its continued contemporary relevance. As well as further diversifying income sources, the Institute's teaching programme, also trains the human rights professionals of the future.

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The academic year 2010-11 has been highly successful for the ICwS, with a well attended programme of nearly 100 events, research projects, a newly launched Research Associates Network and the continued success of its prestigious MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights.

Colleagues were pleased to welcome Daisy Cooper as the new Director of the Commonwealth Policy Studies Unit in January 2011. Joining us from the Commonwealth Secretariat, where she was the Senior Strategic Planning Officer for four years, Daisy has great experience of major change management processes, and recently implemented the relaunch of the CPSU as the Commonwealth Advisory Bureau (CA/B) to great acclaim.

Our dynamic events programme, featuring over 330 speakers, continued to explore current Commonwealth and Human Rights issues and attracted 2,840 attendees. Prestigious speakers included The Right Honourable Peter Hain, giving a lecture on 'Mandela: the man and his legacy' to launch his new book, and the Right Honourable Lord Howell of Guildford, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, who gave the inaugural Peter Lyon Lecture, focusing on 'The Commonwealth – a Global Network for the 21st Century'. As the Institute’s Director, I gave my inaugural lecture in February 2011 on 'Britain and The Commonwealth: Confronting the Past, Imagining the Future', which was well attended by High Commissions, organisations within the Commonwealth family, the wider University and beyond.

Conferences and seminar series generated a great deal of interest amongst academics and policy makers alike. A highlight was 'In the shadow of the ICC: Colombia and International Criminal Justice', which brought together participants from the Office of the Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (ICC), the Colombian and British governments, UN agencies, human rights organisations and academia to consider the potential for ICC investigations into atrocious crimes committed in Colombia and the challenges posed for international justice. The biennial Commonwealth Conference was launched in November 2010 in collaboration with the Commonwealth Foundation and the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission and explored what it means to be a citizen of the Commonwealth in the 21st century, whilst 'Winds of Change 2011: The implications of the uprisings in North Africa and the Middle East for Commonwealth Africa' was organised in the wake of political turmoil in the region.

A successful series of eight monthly seminars by leading academics and lawyers in the field of 'International Refugee Law' was run by ICwS in conjunction with Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and UNHCR (the UN refugee agency), generating substantial interaction between participants from the academic, practice and policy worlds. The first of a series of witness seminars was held in May in conjunction with the Overseas Service Pensioners Association (OSPA), exploring aspects of British colonial policy. The Institute was also a joint sponsor of a major international conference in Lisbon on the End of the Portuguese Empire. In January 2011, the Institute hosted a highly successful workshop on LGBT rights in the Commonwealth, an issue also taken up by the CA/B. These newly launched initiatives ran alongside our regular seminar series on Black and Asian Britain, the Caribbean, Singapore, Decolonization, Language Policy in the Commonwealth and Human Rights.

The Institute has continued to expand its cutting edge research projects. Dr. David Cantor was awarded an Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) grant to complete a knowledge exchange project on ‘Managing insecurity: displacement and return during the Colombian conflict’. Professor Philip Murphy and Dr Leo Zeilig established the Commonwealth Oral History Project, which aims to develop a unique research resource on the oral history of the modern Commonwealth.

The Institute continued to offer its MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights, which is the longest-running multidisciplinary and practice-oriented human rights Master’s programme in the UK. A total of 38 new MA students registered for the programme in 2010-11, and a further 26 were registered for Doctoral studies. An exciting film project was launched to work with young people living in the Brunswick Centre, examining the community and its challenges from a human rights-based perspective. Two students on the MA, Esther Ojulari and Gaia Marcus, trained the group of young women on human rights and the rights of the child and filmmakers PAN supported the young women to develop the film. It was premiered at the Renoir Cinema in the Brunswick Centre during the 2010 Bloomsbury Festival.

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Professor Philip Murphy (Director, ICwS)

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Elected Fellow: Dr Susan Williams
Elected Student: Ms Jennifer Melvin (PhD)

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Professor Carl Bridge (Menzies Centre, King's College)
Professor Paul Webley (SOAS)
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British Association of South Asian Studies
British Australian Studies Association
British Council
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Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative
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Professor Philip Murphy

Director of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies

During the academic year 2010-11, as well as serving as Director of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies for his second year, Professor Murphy also engaged in a range of external research and research facilitation activities. One of his key tasks was that of co-convenor of the Commonwealth Conference at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor, in November. This was a major international conference on the theme of citizenship organised by the ICSwS in conjunction with the Commonwealth Foundation and the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission. A pamphlet based on the conference was subsequently prepared by the Institute and was launched at the People’s Forum of the 2011 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM) in Perth.

Professor Murphy also acted as co-convenor, speaker and roundtable panellist at a conference on ‘The End of The Portuguese Empire in Comparative Perspective’, at the Institute of Social Sciences of the University of Lisbon in June 2011.

His inaugural lecture as Director of the ICSwS took place in the Beveridge Hall of Senate House on 23 February 2011 and was attended by 250 people including High Commissioners and the Commonwealth Secretary-General. The text of the lecture was published in the June 2011 edition of The Round Table.

He was keynote speaker at a Conference on British Foreign Policy in Africa since 1957, at Paris Diderot University in March 2011. He also presented a paper on his current research on the British Monarchy and the Commonwealth at the University of Cambridge World History Seminar in February, and was an invited speaker at a conference at the University of Northumbria in June on ‘The American and British Relationship with Africa since 1960’.

In September 2010 he delivered a presentation on the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group at the Commonwealth Secretariat Induction Programme for Commonwealth Diplomats at Farnham Castle.

He continued to co-edit The Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History, which moved to five issues a year in the course of 2011. He also published an article on the 1959 Nyasaland Emergency in The Journal of Southern African Studies.

Publications


Professor James Manor

Emeka Anyaoku Professor of Commonwealth Studies

During the past year, Professor James Manor led a team from the School of Advanced Study to a conference at the former Viceregal Lodge in Simla (the old summer capital of British India) – to inaugurate a new tripartite partnership that has been established, linking the School to the Indian Institute of Advanced Study in Simla (India’s premier scholarly institution) and Yale University. This was the first of a series of such annual conferences there which will address broad themes in the humanities and social sciences. He also developed a proposal to the Arts and Humanities Research Council for funds to enable the School to participate in the partnership, and a further major research proposal to the Economic and Social Research Council for a project to be coordinated out of the School. It will focus on the recent increase in efforts by governments in Brazil, India, China and South Africa to tackle poverty and inequality – an immensely important trend that has been largely overlooked amid the economic gloom in Europe and North America. The project involves 18 researchers in those four countries plus Britain, Italy and Switzerland.

Professor Manor also completed a book which he has co-authored with Professors Njuguna Ngethe in Kenya and Marcus Melo in Brazil on the machinations of three senior politicians in (respectively) Uganda, Brazil and India who demonstrated that poverty reduction was both feasible and politically advantageous to the leaders and governments that achieved it.

He undertook two spells of field research in India for a study of the implications for democracy of the declining power of caste hierarchies – a social change of huge significance. He also neared completion of a book that he is co-authoring with a colleague in New York on India’s (and the world’s) largest poverty programme, the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme. He lectured on that programme in London and at the University of Leiden, the University of Mysore, the Administrative Staff College of India, and Jawaharlal Nehru University. He spent five weeks at that last university as a Fellow of its Institute of Advanced Study. He also gave a presentation on the Indian employment scheme to officials from the President’s Office and relevant ministries in Pretoria where the South African government is considering a similar programme.

Professor Manor completed a report for the World Bank’s Asia hub office in Bangkok on the ‘Political Economy of Community Driven Development’. He lectured at conferences in Phnom Penh, Cambodia and Gothenburg, Sweden on democratic local government, and produced two papers on that theme for books being produced by the United Nations University Press. He also lectured on Indian politics to a conference for European research students at the University of Turin in Italy. He published papers on ‘Government and Opposition in India’, another on Indian diversity for the Proceedings of the British Academy, a further paper on India’s Congress Party amid the transformation that has occurred since 1989, another on the influence of poverty programmes on voting at the 2009 Indian elections, and two more on Chief Ministers of state governments in India’s federal system.
Dr Damien Short

Course Convenor and Senior Lecturer in Human Rights

Dr Short has continued to convene the Institute’s MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights and the 10/11 cohort has been as successful as the previous year with 10 distinctions awarded.

Dr Short was awarded a School of Advanced Study Conference Fund 2010–2011, which allowed him to attend the British Sociological Association’s (BSA) Annual Conference ‘60 years of sociology’ in April where he presented at, and co-convened, the newly created ‘sociology of rights’ stream. The stream was awarded on the back of an agenda setting ICWS workshop initiative in 2009, which has resulted in the study group publishing a Special Issue of the International Journal of Human Rights (IJHR) and an edited book ‘Sociology and Human Rights’ Routledge 2011 (details below). Dr Short’s work on the special issue for the IJHR was rewarded with an invitation to join the editorial board, which he duly accepted.

The work of his BSA ‘sociology and rights’ study group has also resulted in the award of a special issue of the internationally renowned BSA journal Sociology. The work on this special issue is now underway and the amount of submissions received has been a record for the journal, which is testament to the agenda setting nature of the study group’s work. The issue will be published early in the New Year. Dr Short’s collaboration with the Utrecht Human Rights Institute continues and work is now nearing completion on a special issue of Memory Studies based on his work on reconciliation initiatives. This is scheduled for a 2012 publication.

Sabbatical leave during 2010/11 was spent researching and writing several chapters of a book entitled Colonial Genocides for Zed Books, which is due to be published in 2012. The chapters were ‘Settler Colonialism’, ‘Australian’ and ‘Canada’. This leaves three more chapters to complete following the sabbatical work.

Dr Short is currently working on a research project which investigates the impact of ‘extreme energy’ on indigenous communities in Canada. The first paper from this project will appear in another special issue he is editing for the IJHR in January 2012. Finally, he has started work on a new journal project for the ICWS – Human Rights in the Commonwealth. The journal will be an open access web based publication utilising SAS’s hosting service ‘SAS Space’ and is looking to go live by the end of 2011.

Publications


Dr David Cantor

Lecturer in International Human Rights Law

In early 2011, Dr Cantor secured funding from the Dean’s Development Fund to establish a Refugee Law Initiative (RLI) based at SAS. This new centre offers a national focal point for leading and facilitating research and policy work in international refugee law and was formally launched in October 2011. The RLI network is comprised by over 500 leading scholars and legal practitioners, as well as postgraduate students, government officials, diplomats and representatives of international and non-governmental organisations. At the RLI, Dr Cantor assumed the role of Director, Margherita Blandini was appointed as Research Coordinator, and Dr Paresh Kathrani took up the position of Refugee Law Practice Coordinator.

He also gained funding to set up two specialised research networks in the field. The first project, on ‘The Role of the ICRC with respect to the Movement of Persons’, held its preliminary expert workshop in September 2011 with the assistance of funding from the SAS Pump-Priming Grant and the University of California Berkeley Miller Centre. It was attended by leading academics, a range of current and former key ICRC staff, and representatives of UNHCR and other agencies, and has led to the development of a research network that is currently seeking funding for substantive investigation in this field. The second project, a February 2012 Refugee Law workshop for high-level government officials of Commonwealth States, secured funding from the FCO Human Rights and Democracy section.

Dr Cantor set up a range of RLI events and training for the year 2011-2012. Visiting Fellowships, a Doctoral Affiliate network and a Working Paper Series were also established at the RLI. For details of these and other RLI projects, please visit: http://www.sas.ac.uk/rli.html.

In the course of 2010-2011, Dr Cantor published articles on the law of armed conflict and on guerrilla movements in Colombia. Funded by a UNHCR PDES Small Grant, he carried out extensive field research, including 150 interviews, across ten regions of Colombia, Venezuela, Ecuador and Panama in March-May 2011. Based on this research, he published a paper on the entirely novel issue of transnational reparations for refugees, publicly available from UNHCR (http://www.unhcr.org/4e423fc6c9.html). He is currently finalising his Martinus Nijhoff monograph on returns of displaced persons in armed conflict.

In May 2011, Dr Cantor convened with Dr Engstrom an international conference ‘In the Shadow of the ICC: Colombia and International Criminal Justice’, attended by the Colombian government and the ICC Office of the Prosecutor. Across 2010 and 2011, he ran his ESRC-funded knowledge exchange project on ‘Managing insecurity: displacement and return during the Colombian conflict’, which resulted in at least six modifications to the newly approved Colombian Victims’ Law. In November 2010, he travelled to Colombia to train the Colombian Prosecutor’s Office on the crime of forced displacement.

Dr Cantor taught the Translating Human Rights into Law modules on the MA at ICWS. He also taught on the SAS programme of research skills for doctoral students and on the LLM in International Human Rights Law at the University of Essex. He continued to participate as a UK expert for the Michigan-Melbourne Refugee Caselaw site and acted as a peer reviewer for seven international journals and publishing houses. Dr Cantor is a Fellow of the Royal Anthropological Institute and a member of the International Association of Refugee Law Judges and International Association for the Study of Forced Migration. During the year, he also accepted an invitation to sit on the International Advisory Board of the UN-OCHA Humanitarian Studies Institute.
Dr Corinne Lennox
Lecturer in Human Rights

In cooperation with the Commonwealth Human Rights Initiative, Dr Lennox convened a conference on LGBT rights in the Commonwealth: historical legacies and contemporary reforms. She is now co-editing a book on related issues with Dr Matthew Waite, University of Glasgow. The book brings together contributions from the conference and across the Commonwealth to document good practice and ongoing struggles for decriminalising same-sex sexual relations.

Dr Lennox is working with Dr Short to co-edit a new Routledge Handbook on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, which will feature some thirty chapters from leading scholars and activists. She co-edited a special issue of the International Journal on Minority and Group Rights. She also was a founding member of the Editorial Board of an exciting new online magazine, Canadian Foreign Policy Watch, which is due to be launched.

In May 2011, Dr Lennox joined Professor Manor in Shimla, India for the inaugural conference of the joint research alliance of SAS, Yale University and the Indian Institute of Advanced Study. The conference examined changes in caste hierarchies in India and the impact on democracy. Corinne’s work on caste-based discrimination continued when she was invited by the National Campaign on Dalit Human Rights (India) to present her research to the Dalit Decade Summit in New Delhi.

Dr Lennox presented her research on norm entrepreneurship by Afro-descendants in Latin America. Dr Lennox was invited by the UN Independent Expert on Minority Issues to prepare the draft recommendations for the UN Forum on Minorities on the theme of ‘Participation of Minorities in Economic Life’. She was also pleased to see the launch of the UNDP Resource Guide and Toolkit on Marginalised Minorities in Development Programming (2010). She was lead author of the Resource Guide and had been cooperating with the UNDP Bureau for Democratic Governance since 2001 to see such an operational tool be developed.

Finally, Corinne has also been an active member of the COST Action IS0702: The Role of the EU in UN Human Rights Reform, coordinated by the Association of Human Rights Institutes. She has been working with scholars on a research project on theories of change for human rights based approaches to development.

Publications:


Fellowships
ICwS Visiting Fellows 2010-11

Emeritus Fellow
Professor Robert Holland

Henry Chapman Fellow
Harshan Kumarasingham
Leipzig, Germany
Period of stay: July 2010 to March 2013

Honorary Professorial Fellow
Dr Lorna Lloyd
Reader in International Relations SPIRE, Keele University, Keele, UK

Senior Research Fellows
Professor Phillip Buckner
Dr William Crawley
Dr Stuart Mole
Ms Marika Sherwood
Dr Michael Twaddle
Dr Mandy Banton
Dr James Chiriyankandath
Dr Shihan de Silva
Dr Paul Haveman
Dr Howard Jones
Dr David Page
Dr Jeggan Senghor
Dr David Taylor
Professor Mary Turner
Dr Susan Williams
Dr Richard Bourne OBE

**Visiting Fellows**

Dr Kayode Samuel
Development Alliance (West Africa)
Period of stay: October 2010

Professor Sarah Carter
University of Alberta
Period of stay: March to April 2011

Dr Jideofor Adibe
Adonis & Abbey Publishers
Period of stay: September 2010 to August 2011

Dr Lanver Mak
Independent Scholar
Period of stay: March 2008 to August 2011

Dr Yiannos Katsourides
Independent Scholar
Period of stay: March 2010 to December 2011

Dr Kris Manjapra
Tufts University
Period of stay: October 2010 to December 2011

Dr Margherita Blandini
Universidad de La Rioja
Period of stay: February 2011 to January 2012

Dr John Cowley
Independent Scholar
Period of stay: October 2007 to March 2012

Dr Balasubramanayam Chandramohan
Kingston University
Period of stay: July 2010 to July 2012

**Professor Robert Holland Emeritus Fellow**

On 19 October 2010, Professor Robert Holland, under the auspices of the Cyprus High Commission in London, gave a formal lecture at Lancaster House entitled 'Independent Cyprus at 50: Reflections Past and Present'. This marked the fiftieth anniversary of an independent Cyprus, and taking place in the surroundings where that independence was conceived, the event predictably attracted a large and distinguished audience. Between December 8-13 2010, Professor Holland was in Cyprus for research, and gave a paper on British policy regarding the crisis on the island during 1974 at a conference on that event opened by the President of the Republic.

Professor Holland was in Cyprus again during January 8-14, 2011, where he spoke at a very well-attended book launch for *Cyprus in World War Two: Politics and Conflict in the Eastern Mediterranean* by Anastasia Yiangou. This publication was the product of a doctoral thesis at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies. He and Dr. Yiangou also took part in a discussion of the book on Cyprus television.

Professor Holland's main work during the year consisted of the completion of his book *Blue-Water Empire: the British in the Mediterranean since 1800* with Allen Lane/Penguin Books. This work was seen through the various stages of the press and will be published in January 2012.

During the year Professor Holland continued to supervise eight M.Phil/Ph.D students at the ICwS, one of whom successfully completed their thesis during the year. He continued to serve on the International Editorial Board of *The Cyprus Review*, the main Cypriot journal in the field of politics, diplomacy and social science.

Harshan Kumarasingham
Henry Chapman Fellow

Dr Kumarasingham has continued work on his forthcoming book *A Political Legacy of the British Empire: Power and the Parliamentary System in Post-Colonial India and Sri Lanka* (London: I.B. Tauris) and received support from the British Academy for this publication. Additional relevant academic publications that came out during this period include 'The Indian Version of First Among Equals – Executive Power during the First Decade of Independence' (*Modern Asian Studies*, Vol. 44, part 4, July 2010) and *Onward with Executive Power – Lessons from New Zealand 1947-57* (Wellington: Victoria University of Wellington/Institute of Policy Studies, 2010).

Dr Kumarasingham has been working on the Westminster system's legacy and Executive power in other parts of the Commonwealth and delivered papers in Canberra, London, Berlin and Wellington on the subject. He is helping Sir Don McKinnon with his memoir of his eventful time as Commonwealth Secretary-General. In other Commonwealth studies activity, he was a judge for the 2011 Commonwealth Youth Writers' Competition.
Dr Lorna Lloyd
Honorary Professorial Fellow


Dr Lloyd continues to supervise Nazariah Osman’s thesis on Tun Dr Mahathir and Malaysia’s membership of the Commonwealth.

As editor of Continuum’s series Key Issues in Diplomacy, she would welcome suggestions for books on aspects of diplomacy and the Commonwealth.

Dr William Crawley
Senior Research Fellow

Dr. William Crawley visited Sri Lanka in January 2011 to review progress in the project on Media Law and Policy in Sri Lanka, which is directed from the ICrS and supported by the Ford Foundation. As directors of the project Dr Crawley and Dr Page have been in regular contact through the year with members of the project research team in Sri Lanka.

Dr Crawley also visited the Alternative Law Forum in Bangalore and the JMI Centre for Governance at the Media at Jamia Millia Islamia University Delhi for discussion on parallel research projects in India.

Dr Crawley published several book reviews on South Asian topics in Asian Affairs: the journal of the Royal Society for Asian Affairs, and has presented papers or taken part as a platform speaker at a number of academic events and conferences, as below.

Panel discussion on Software for Soft Power – India as a communication giant at conference at University of Westminster on India As A Soft Power, 18 February 2011

Paper on ‘Negotiating the media; Regulatory and Policy issues in south Asia’ presented at 9th International Conference on Communication and Mass Media, 16-19 May 2011 held in Athens by ATINER (Athens Institute for Education and Research, Research Unit of Mass Media & Communications, Social Sciences Research Division)

Paper on ‘Fairness and objectivity: How is Amartya Sen’s ‘Idea of Justice’ relevant to India’s media environment?’ presented at the 25th anniversary conference of the British Association for Social Asian Studies (BASAS) held at the University of Southampton, April 2011.

“Scoops and Scandals-cross currents in the Indian print and electronic media’, presentation at conference on The changing face of journalism in India, 12 September 2011 at University of Westminster

Panel discussion on Cultural hegemony vs. linguistic diversity’ Researchers Night at Reading University 23 September 2011- linked by internet to participating institutions across Europe.

Mr Stuart Mole OBE
Senior Research Fellow

Mr Stuart Mole has been working on the following projects:

Negotiating with apartheid: the mission of the 1986 EPG

It is twenty-five years since the Commonwealth despatched an Eminent Persons Group to South Africa, with the ambitious task of seeking a negotiated end to apartheid. While the group narrowly failed in this task, it’s report “Mission to South Africa” became a Penguin bestseller and went round the world, accelerating the implementation of sanctions and hastening apartheid’s demise. With the support of a small British Academy grant, Mr Mole has convened a scoping meeting of interested parties; delivered a seminar on the research theme; and organised a Witness Conference (in June 2011) of those who were part of the initiative, together with relevant academics and historians. Articles, recordings and a small exhibition of photographs and cartoons have resulted and a further event will be held in Australia later in the year. A pod cast of the seminar is on the ICrS website.

The Role of the Commonwealth Secretary-General

Mr Mole, as a diplomatic officer in the Commonwealth Secretariat, served in the Private Offices of three Commonwealth Secretaries-General. The post is now a special area of study for him and he contributed a chapter on the role of the SG in the recently published The Contemporary Commonwealth: 1965-2009. This was launched at a seminar in the ICrS during 2010. Since them, in collaboration with Daisy Cooper, Mr Mole has prepared proposals for modernising, and democratising, the selection procedures for the appointment of the Secretary-General. This formed one of CAB’s briefing papers for the Commonwealth summit in Perth, in October 2011.

The Eminent Persons Group and Commonwealth review

In January 2010, Mr Mole organised on behalf of the Round Table (The Commonwealth Journal of International Affairs) a residential conference at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor. This explored the task ahead of the Eminent Persons Group, mandated at the 2009 Trinidad & Tobago Commonwealth summit. Since then, he has followed the work of the Group closely, writing various articles and speaking at conferences on the subject.

Owning the Commonwealth

Under the auspices of the Commonwealth Policy Studies Unit (now CAB), Mr Mole was commissioned by the Commonwealth Secretariat to create and conduct a short research project into the attitudes of member governments towards the responsibilities and expectations of Commonwealth membership. The report was submitted to the EPG and is now a CAB publication.

Commonwealth Oral History Project

Resulting from the ‘Negotiating with apartheid’ Witness Seminar, Mr Mole, in June 2011, conducted an hour-long interview with Sir Shridath Ramphal, the former Commonwealth SG, on the topic. This was on behalf of the recently launched Commonwealth Oral History Project. A recording of the interview, and a full transcript, is available on the ICrS website.
Ms Marika Sherwood
Senior Research Fellow

Marika Sherwood remains vice-chair of the Black & Asian Studies Association, contributing regularly to its Newsletter and giving a talk at the Annual Conference. Her membership of the Kent Police Independent Advisory Group (examines ‘hate crime’ and police training) continues, as does her support for various Black organisations. Her involvement with two youth projects was completed, one resulting in a very useful film, ‘Herstories’.

Marika Sherwood’s contributions to the Kwame Nkrumah Centenary Colloquium resulted in a meeting with the Institute of African Studies at the University of Ghana, where we discussed joint publication of her ongoing work on Kwame Krumah’s attempts to hold African unity conferences 1945 – 1958 as a series of pamphlets.

She continued to organise and chair monthly seminars on the history of Black and Asian Peoples in Britain at Senate House, and also gave a number of seminars and contributed to conferences, for example at the Institute of Education, University of Portsmouth, the Historical Association’s Annual Conference, the Africa Asia Scholars Global Network, and ‘The Other Special Relationship’ conference at the University of Oxford.

Marika Sherwood succeeded in persuading East Kent that there was a history of peoples of African origins/descent in the area, and gave three talks in Faversham. Discussion on how to make this history not only available but interesting to local schools has begun.

The publication of two books, Malcolm X: Travels Abroad and the Life and Times of Henry Sylvester Williams, resulted in a number of invitations to speak about them, in California (UCLA, Southern California, and Berkeley) and North Carolina Central University; as well as in London and Northampton. Marika Sherwood also gave a lecture on Claudia Jones at the Burke Center, UCLA. The books also led to participation in two radio programs, Colourful Radio and Breaking the Spell.

Dr Michael Twaddle
Senior Research Fellow

During 2010-11, Dr Michael Twaddle continued his research, writing and translations into English of documents dealing with the history of Uganda particularly, and Africa more generally, during the nineteenth and twentieth centuries. He published ‘Some implications of literacy in Uganda’ in a special number of the North American scholarly journal History in Africa, issued in honour of the distinguished Africana librarian at the University of Wisconsin, David Henige, and gave several seminar presentations to university audiences in Oxford and London during the year.

He continued as chair of the Friends of Makerere University in the UK (FOMUK) and during the session he was also elected an Honorary Life Member of the Royal African Society.

Dr Mandy Banton
Senior Research Fellow

Dr Mandy Banton has continued her association with The National Archives of the UK (TNA), primarily contributing to the project to catalogue Colonial Office correspondence relating to the British Caribbean, and advising researchers on TNA’s records relating to the Commonwealth. Her research on policy towards Africans liberated from slave ships, and settled as ‘apprentices’ in Africa, the Caribbean and Mauritius, following the 1807 Parliamentary abolition of British involvement in the trade is progressing. She continues to serve on the committee of the Society for Caribbean Studies and an advisory board appointed by the Joint Initiative for the Study of Latin America and the Caribbean to oversee the creation of an online portal providing access to key resources in UK libraries, archives and museums. During the year she has worked with Dr Susan Williams, and in collaboration with the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation at Uppsala, and the Westminster Branch of the United Nations Association, in organising the conference ‘Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations, and the End of Empire’ which was timed to mark the 50th anniversary of the death of the former Secretary General of the United Nations.

Publications

Mandy Banton, Administering the Empire, 1801-1968: a guide to the records of the Colonial Office in The National Archives of the UK was revised and reprinted (Institute of Historical Research, 2011).


Dr James Chiriyankandath
Senior Research Fellow

During the year Dr Chiriyankandath continued as editor of the journal of Commonwealth & Comparative Politics (http://www.tandf.co.uk/journals/titles/14662043.asp), as well as working on completing his book on Zionists, Indian nationalists and the politics of belonging. Imagining nations, creating states (Zed Books). He contributed the section on South Asia in D.S. Lewis and W. Slater (ed.), The 2011 Annual Register: World Events (252nd ed., Ann Arbor, Mi., USA: ProQuest, 2011), pp. 292-308.

He presented papers at a Europe – South Asia Relations workshop at the Royal Institute of International Relations on 11th May and at a workshop on the Indian state elections at the ICwS on 27th June. He convened and chaired a round table on Politics and Administration in India: A Comparative Perspective® at the ICwS on 20th January, as well as attending a number of conferences, seminars and workshops during the year.

In other activity, in December 2010 Dr Chiriyankandath moderated a focus group on diversity and chaired a discussion involving black and other ethnic minority politics faculty at a meeting held under the auspices of the Political Studies Association, at the Institute, a report on which appeared in PSA News (http://www.psa.ac.uk/QuickLink.aspx?title=December%202010&fn=PSAnews/PSANews1012.pdf). He was elected to the Executive Committee of the Association for a three-year term in June 2011.

He was External Examiner for MSc. programmes in the International Development Department, University of Birmingham, in 2010/11 and continued supervising an MPhil. research student at ICwS.
Dr Shihan de Silva
Senior Research Fellow

During the past year, Dr Shihan de Silva organised several events at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies including a conference “Trade Routes, Migration and Cultural Transformation” (20th July 2011). Speakers from both local (King’s College London, University College London, School of Oriental & African Studies, Institute of Commonwealth Studies) and overseas (Estonia, Ethiopia) participated. Dr Silva’s latest book The African Diaspora in Asian Trade Routes and Cultural Memories (UK: Edwin Mellen Press) was launched at the conference.

Dr Silva edited a special volume of African & Asian Studies (Brill: Leiden), entitled ‘African Migration: Understanding Trends and Traditions,’ which contains papers of the conference she organised last year and is now in print.

Dr Silva was invited to serve as an Advisor on the Editorial Board of the African Diaspora Archaeology & Heritage, a journal published by Left Coast Press, California, USA.

Dr Silva became a Co-convenor of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies Research Seminar Series and an Examiner for the Commonwealth Essay Competition (Royal Commonwealth Society). She was interviewed by the Royal Commonwealth Society for the Jubilee Time Capsule.

Articles in Books


Articles on Websites


Conference Presentations/Lectures/Seminars


Dr Howard Jones
Senior Research Fellow

In October 2010 Dr Howard Jones gave a Seminar at the ICWS on the topic of Domestic Migration in India: a Gujarat-Southern Rajasthan Remittance Corridor Study. He gave Seminars at the University of Reading in December 2010 and February 2011 in the areas of Rural Finance and Microfinance, and Migration and Remittances. In April, he presented a paper on Domestic Migration and Remittances in India: A Study of Rajasthani Tribal Migrants working in Gujarat at the Norface Migration Network Conference on “Migration: Economic Change, Social Challenge” held at University College, London (UCL).

Dr Jones continues to act as a Trustee of Concern Worldwide UK, an international NGO dealing with relief and development activities. He also chairs the Advisory Board for the DFID Crosscutting Disability Research Programme based at the Leonard Cheshire Disability and Inclusive Development Centre, UCL.

An application for research funding, with the project title ‘Assessing the impacts of domestic and international migration through a longitudinal study of a Rajasthani village’, under the British Academy Small Research Grants Scheme, was successful, and Dr Jones made two fieldwork visits to India during the year.

Publications

Dr Jones was lead author of a Report titled Gujarat-Southern Rajasthan Remittance Corridor Study, published by GIZ/NABARD under their joint Rural Financial Institutions Programme in India. He also co-authored a Synthesis Report under the same programme with the title Remittance Needs and Opportunities in India. The Synthesis Report was launched by the Minister of State for Finance in New Delhi in August 2011.
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During the year Dr Williams served as historical consultant to Perfect Weekend, an American film company, for the making of a feature film based on *Colour Bar. The Triumph of Seretse Khama and His Nation*, her book about the Founding President of Botswana (Allen Lane 2006; Penguin 2007).

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Working with Senior Fellow Dr Mandy Banton and with Institute Director Professor Philip Murphy, she developed plans with the Dag Hammarskjöld Foundation in Uppsala, Sweden, and with the United Nations Association, Westminster Branch in London, for a major joint conference on ‘Dag Hammarskjöld, the United Nations, and the End of Empire’, to be held in London in September 2011, attended by distinguished scholars from many different countries.


### Professor Mary Turner
Senior Research Fellow

Professor Mary Turner co-organised with Dr Quinn the seminar series “Caribbean Societies in Regional Context”. She also contributed to in-house conferences such as Researching the Caribbean: student Workshop (13 May 2011), the annual Society of Caribbean Studies Conference, (Liverpool, July 29-31 2011) and the “Cuban Futures” conference (City of New York University, March 31-April 2011).

Professor Turner was also a Trevor Reese Prize committee member for the Institute. She published “Slave Worker Rebellions in the Americas” chapter in *Cambridge World History of Slavery*, Vol. 3 1420-1804, eds. D.Eltis and S.Engerman, July 2011. Her research continued to focus on labour rebellions, specifically 18th century Jamaica, Berbice and (in modern term) Peru.

### Dr Susan Williams
Senior Research Fellow

This year Dr Williams conducted research in France, Sweden and the USA (at the UN Archives in New York), completing a series of research trips that have taken her to Zambia, South Africa and Belgium, as well as various archive repositories in the UK, for a book on the death of United Nations Secretary-General Dag Hammarskjöld in a plane crash during a research trip to Zambia in 1961. This book, which investigates the significance of Hammarskjöld’s death in the context of decolonisation, global power shifts, and the white supremacist movement of southern and central Africa, was completed for publication by Hurst in September 2011 under the title of *Who Killed Hammarskjöld? The UN, the Cold War and White Supremacy in Africa*.

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### Mr Richard Bourne OBE
Senior Research Fellow

Mr Richard Bourne’s work over the past year has largely but not exclusively focused on Zimbabwe. Key contributions:

- **Reviews and articles**
  - Review in *The Round Table*, 2010
  - Article in *CHRI Newsletter* no 2, 2011, “EPG seeks radical improvement in Human Rights”
  - Joint chapter, with Dr Leo Zeilig, on the Commonwealth and Zimbabwe in the Commonwealth Advisory Bureau Policy Briefing, September 2011

- **Papers**
  - Paper for ICS research seminar, 4 May 2011, “Zimbabwe: a failed state?”
  - Paper for panel at the Conference of European Africanists, Uppsala, 16 June 2011 “Human rights in contemporary Zimbabwe”

- **Book**

### Dr Kayode Samuel
Visiting Fellow

Dr Kayode Samuel’s Visiting Fellowship commenced in October 2010. In February 2011, he presented his first seminar with the title ‘Nigeria, the Commonwealth and the 2011 elections’. During the period of the fellowship, he has served as facilitator of a UNDP-funded voter education programme in the states of the Niger Delta towards the 2011 Nigerian elections. This activity ran from January to April 2011.

Dr Samuel has also been a resource person for the Legislative Internship Programme and Legislative Support Scheme of the Africa Leadership Forum, a leading think-tank in Nigeria. The two programmes, which are being supported by the Government of Norway, started in October 2010 and is still on-going. In May 2011, he made a presentation at the Commonwealth Club in London on the aftermath of the Nigerian elections.
Professor Sarah Carter
Visiting Fellow

Professor Carter’s two months at the ICwS permitted her to rethink and recast her study, which has a new tentative title: “Women, Land and Agriculture in the North American West and Settler Dominions.” While the core of the study remains the Canadian and U.S. Wests, she has added branches that provide comparisons with other settler colonies. The goal is to revisit the “great land rush” of the late nineteenth century through the lens of gender. A major goal of her visiting fellowship was to assist her to go beyond the North American Great Plains foundation and focus of the study and to research comparative colonial approaches to gender, Indigenous people, and land grants, and the “smallholdings” movement in Great Britain and the settler dominions.

Professor Carter drew on the impressive resources of the ICwS Library, which is a major resource for those studying the history of land, agriculture and the Indigenous people of the British Empire/Commonwealth. Through her research in London she has greatly expanded her knowledge of the history of gender, race and land acquisition and distribution laws, policies and systems in New Zealand, Australia and South Africa.

Sections Written

Professor Carter worked on several sections of the study while at the ICwS. It will begin with a comparative colonial and borderlands “bird’s eye view” in the first half, and the second half will apply intense magnification to the Wood Mountain, Saskatchewan and Valley County, Montana borderlands. Sections she has written so far include:

- The Aboriginal agriculture of the Great Plains that long predated the arrival of Europeans. Among the Mandan, Hidatsa and other village people of the northern plains women were the farmers, and they also were the crop/plant scientists, developing hardy strains of corn. They were commercial farmers, raising large quantities for sale. The section is intended to demonstrate that it was not natural and inevitable that women would be virtually excluded from the category “farmer”;
- The “immaculate grid” that divides up the North American West, moving seamlessly across the 49th parallel. This section will be expanded to include comparative examinations of the land survey and policies of other settler colonies;
- Race and land rights with a focus on an analysis of Metis scrip and Indian reserves in Canada, and Indian reservations and allotments in the U.S. West. A major section completed is on individual property rights and homestead rights of First Nations in Western Canada;
- The legislation governing women’s right to land in the U.S. and Canadian Wests. This also includes an analysis of “space and the single woman” and how single women were seen an ominous portents of unsettling change in the North American Wests and settler colonies;
- The philosophy and ideals of smallholdings with a focus on the promotion of agriculture for single British women in outposts of the Empire including Western Canada;
- The homesteads-for-women movement in Western Canada and Georgina Binnie-Clark;
- Saskatchewan’s South African Scrip women homesteaders;
- Montana women homesteaders context and introduction;
- Wood Mountain’s women homesteaders.

Dr Yiannos Katsourides
Visiting Fellow

Dr Yiannos Katsourides has been working on his book entitled The History of the Communist Party in Cyprus: Colonialism, Class and the Cypriot Left, that will be published by I.B. Tauris Publications.

He obtained fellowships from:
- The British School at Athens for the academic year 2011-12.
- The Hellenic Observatory of the London School of Economics for a short visiting fellowship (July 2011).

The aim of this research is the comparative study of the right-wing parties in Greece and Cyprus in the post-1974 period employing archival research and in-depth interviews.

He submitted four papers for peer review:
- Travelling against the Tide: The Cypriot Communist Left in the Post-1990 Era.
- 'Couch Activism' and the Individualisation of Political Demands: Attitudes, Perceptions and Political Behaviour in the Contemporary Cypriot Society.
- The Mobilisation of the anti-Cypriot Cleavage: Accounting for the Fragmentation of the Greek Cypriot Right.

Composition, Recruitment and Career Patterns of the Political Elite in Cyprus (1988-2010).

Dr Katsourides is presently working on another article regarding the relationship between political parties and civil society organisations in Cyprus and teaches part-time classes at the University of Cyprus.

Dr John Cowley
Visiting Fellow

This year, Dr John Cowley’s work has centred on the activities of French Antilleans in Paris. Early in October 2010, the Association of Recorded Sound Collections in the USA announced that the work he edited and compiled with two French researchers Alain Boulanger, and Marc Monneraye: La Musique antillaise en France discographie 1929-1959 / French-Caribbean Music in France a discographie 1929-1959 (published in Paris, by L’Association des détenteurs de documents audiovisuels et sonores – AFAS – and Guadeloupe by Médiathèque Caraïbes) has been designated ‘Best Discography’ in the category ‘Best Research in Folk, Ethnic, or World Music’ for the 2010 ARSC Awards for Excellence.

Later in the same month (21 October 2010) Dr Cowley gave a greatly augmented version of his paper ‘Biguine Amoureuse: Caribbean Music in Paris between the Two World Wars’ at the Institute of Musical Research of the School of Advanced Studies. This is available as an 80-minute podcast — http://www.sas.ac.uk/891.html

A subsequent writing assignment resulted in his presentation ‘L’Ame Nègre en exil…Au Bal Antillais: the Role of Discography in Historical Research: A French Antillean Perspective’ on 30 June 2011 at the Annual Conference of the Society for Caribbean Studies, held in Liverpool at the International Slavery Museum. In addition, Dr Cowley has revised and edited a number of his past essays. These are now available on SAS-Space — http://sasspace.sas.ac.uk/view/author/Cowley=3AJohn=3A3A.html.
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Dr Margherita Blandini
Visiting Fellow
Dr Blandini’s work during her stay at ICwS can be summarised as follows:

Two projects to establish specialised research networks within the wider Refugee Law Initiative:

International research project on “The role of the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) with respect to the movement of persons”. The research encompasses not only the formative role of the ICRC in the creation of international standards and institutions for the protection of refugees and IDPs, but also the practical ways in which the ICRC has engaged in different kinds of situations of forced displacement across the world. The premise is that whilst attention has focused on the role of UNHCR, the ICRC plays an equally important (but often different) role in protection and assistance to victims of forced displacement. The preliminary Workshop held in London on 20 September 2011 brought together key scholars and distinguished former and current ICRC officials to explore the role played by the ICRC in respect of the movement of persons. The participants agreed to establish a research network on this topic and to apply for funding to support this collaborative research project.

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Dr Balasubramanyam Chandramohan
Visiting Fellow
Dr Chandramohan participated in the following research activities:

Papers’ presentations

2010-11 Series ICwS Research Seminar Series, “Transnational Education in the Commonwealth”
Event organiser:

Seminar Series: Institute of Commonwealth Studies, SAS, Language Policy and Practice in the Commonwealth
5 Aug 2011, Commonwealth Foundation, Civil Society Consultation, Commonwealth Foundation Civil Society Advisory Committee Member, Drafting Committee, Civil Society Statement for presentation to Foreign Ministers of the Commonwealth meeting at the UN, New York in September

Publications

Editing Language issues journal (summer issue) (Birmingham)

Co-editing Cameroon Journal of Studies in the Commonwealth (Douala, Cameroon and London), Inaugural issue

Research (Monograph) in progress: Transnational Education in the Commonwealth

Fieldwork in India

Transnational Education in the Commonwealth Consultation
Commonwealth Foundation, Civil Society Consultation (UK) and Commonwealth Foundation, Civil Society Consultation (Europe – UK, Malta and Cyprus)

Judge
Royal Commonwealth Society, London, Commonwealth Essay Competition
Postgraduate Programmes

PhD Programme

Research Students 2010-11

Supervisors are indicated in ( ).

Melina Agathangelou (Rob Holland) Europeanising Foreign Conflicts: A case study of how the European Union exerts influence on the frozen Cyprus-Turkey and Bosnian Serb Republic-Muslim Croat Federation conflicts


Eleni Christou (James Chiriyan) Readings of Colonial Insurgency: the British media and EOKA 'Terrorism', 1955-1959

Ratanasiri Chotvitayuakul (James Manor) Information Technology in India’s Policy Making

Georgia Dimari (Rob Holland) The Greek-Turkish Dispute over Cyprus, 1970-1974: Regional Conflict Diplomacy or Interlocking Domestic Policy Debacle?

Justin Foxworthy (Tim Shaw) The Congo War and the Changing Dynamics of Ugandan Relations with Multilateral Agencies: Causes and Consequences of United Nations' Reportage on [Uganda's] Relations with the IMF, the World Bank and the UNDP

Julian Francis (Robert Holland) The Road to UDI- An argument for and an examination of internal and external factors that shaped a Rhodesian national identity

Riona Govender (Paul Gready) Rights-Based Approach to Health Systems an Examination of National Antiretroviral Delivery in South Africa and India

Kiran Hassan (James Manor) Media in post Musharraf Pakistan: Democracy, identity, agency and resistance

Antigone Heraclidou (Robert Holland) Education in Cyprus during British Colonial Rule, 1931-1960

Andreas Karyos (Robert Holland) EOKA, 1955-59: A Study of the Military Aspects of the Cyprus Revolt

Chiyuki Kozuka (Damien Short) An Attempt to Create a Multi-Party System and its Impacts on Democracy: A Case Study of Ethiopia, 1992-2006

Patrice Laird-Grant (James Manor) The Effects of Jamaica's WTO Obligations on the Jamaican Agricultural Sector

Chamilia Liyanage (Philip Murphy) Leviathan Revisited: Nation-State against Transnational Terrorism: Searching the Third Pillar of Counter Terrorism - Comparative Study of the Post 9/11 Counter Radicalization Strategies in Australia and the United Kingdom


Angela Melchiorre (Nazila Hercock) 'Right' Balance: the Minimum Age for Marriage and the Convention on the Rights of the Child

Jennifer Melvin (Damien Short) Playing the subjective: Applying Forum Theatre to Post-Genocide Reconciliation in Rwanda

Robyn Monaghan (Corinne Lennox/Mark Levin) Climate Crisis and the Network Society: Changing Sovereignty, perimeter denial technologies and a divergence in global social-mobility

Emmanuel Odoemene (James Manor/Damien Short) Development without borders: Engaging faith-based organisations for social development in the Niger Delta

Kerrily Pells (Paul Gready) Children and Young People: Rights-Based Approaches to Post-Conflict Life. The Contemporary African Context

Charles Rukwengye (Philip Murphy) From the Organisation of African Unity (AOU) to the African Union (AU): a transition from non-intervention to the right to intervene. A case study of Uganda's interventions in the Great Lakes Region, 1986-2009

Andrew Southam (Robert Holland) British World Influence in the 1970s

Ursula Stelman (Richard Crook) Implementing ‘Community Development Plans’ (CDPs) in the City of Kampala, Uganda. A Case Study of Nakawa and Kawempe Divisions: Exploring the Processes and Interactions between Local Government, Politicians, Administrators and NGOs in Transforming CDPs into action

Abess Taqi (James Chiriyan) The Feasibility of Democratic Development in the Middle East with Special Reference to Iraq and Lebanon.

Nelson Takon (Richard Crook) Conflicts in Nigeria: Area Study of the Political Economy of South-South Geo-Political Zone (An Interactive Approach in Conflict Management)

Marilena Varnava (Rob Holland) Britain and American Foreign Policy Concerning Cyprus, 1973-1980

Jing Xu (James Manor) The Relationship between Centralisation and Human Rights in China During the Transition Period of Social and Economic Reform.

External Examiners: MPhil/PhD upgrade and PhD dissertation examinations

Professor John Lonsdale, Professor of International Law, University of Cambridge

Dr Kenneth Ingham, Emeritus Professor of History, University of Bristol

Professor David Simon, Professor in Development Geography, Royal Holloway

Professor Yunas Samad, Senior Lecturer in Sociology, University of Bradford.
Postgraduate Programmes

MA in Understanding and Securing Human Rights

2010-11

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In the 2010-11 academic year, there were 38 new students, 32 of whom were from the UK and EU with the remainder coming from Argentina, Bolivia and the United States.

| Pass with Distinction | 10 |
| Pass with Merit | 8 |
| Pass | 13 |
| Dissertation deferred | 4 |
| Fail (resit permitted) | 1 |
| Fail outright | none |

External Examiners 2010-11

Dr. Nigel Eltringham (as before)
Dr. Catriona Drew (as before)

Events

Listings of 2010-11 events

**Black Britain Seminar Series: Malcolm X: Visits Abroad April 1964 – February 1965 Speaker: Marika Sherwood**

**Fratricide and Fraternelité (Mellon Sawyer Seminar Series): The Everyday Afterwards Speakers: Sverker Finnström, Professor of Social Anthropology, Stockholm University; Rachel Beckles Willson, Reader in Music, RHUL; Ginette Vincendeau, Professor of Film Studies, KCL; Hope Wof, Sawyer Seminars Graduate Fellow, KCL; John Irving, Professor and Director, Institute of Musical Research**

**Counterinsurgency and Colonialism - Negotiating with the 'Enemy': Perspectives past and present Speakers: Hugh Beattie, OU; Chris Tripodi, KCL, DSD; Rob Johnson, Oxford University; John Bew, KCL; Huw Bennett, KCL; Karl Hack, OU; Andrew Mumford, University of Hull; Paul Dixon, Kingston University; Isabelle Duystveyn, Utrecht University, Netherlands; Bart Schuurman, Utrecht University, Netherlands**

**Decolonization Seminar Series: The Joint Intelligence Committee and Colonial Counterinsurgency at the End of Empire and Professional factors affecting the activity and machinery of the 'Imperial' intelligence system 1948-1956 Speaker: Rory Cormac (King's College, London), Gregor Davey (King's College, London)**

**Decolonization Seminar Series: A discussion of Defeating Mau Mau, Creating Kenya: Counterinsurgency, War and Decolonization Speakers: Professor John Lonsdale (Trinity College, Cambridge) and Professor David Anderson (University of Oxford); Dr Daniel Branch**

**Human Rights Seminar Series: The Role of Human Rights in UK Foreign Policy Speaker: Tom Porteous, London Director Human Rights Watch**

**Commonwealth Research Seminar Series: Domestic Migration in India: a Gujarat-Southern Rajasthan Remittance Corridor Study Speaker: Howard Jones, ICwS**

**Caribbean Seminar Series: Policing the Caribbean: Transnational Security Co-operation in Practice Speakers: Ben Bowling, Professor of Criminology & Criminal Justice, King's College London; Robert Reiner, Department of Law, LSE; Paul H. Faquhrson, QPM, High Commissioner of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas and former Commissioner of the Royal Bahamas Police Force; Amanda Sives, Department of Politics, Liverpool University**

**Biguine Amoureuse: Caribbean Music in Paris between the Two World Wars Speakers: John Cowley, ICwS; Chair: Shihan De Silva ICwS**

**CSR & Stakeholder Engagement in the Extractive Sector Speakers: Professor James Manor, ICwS; Dr Natalia Yakovleva; Fernanda Diez; Peter Frankental, Amnesty International; Professor Diana Mutti, University of Buenos Aires; Dr Veronica Broomes, CPSU; Dr Elizabeth Bastida, University of Dundee; Dr Chris Groves; Professor Max Munday; Dr Gavin Hillson, University of Reading; Professor Ray Bush, University of Leeds; Dr Diego Vazquez-Brust**

**International Refugee Law Seminar Series: Rethinking the detention of asylum-seekers and other migrants: Exploring the alternatives - a comparative perspective Speakers: Mr Roland Schilling; Dr Alice Edwards, University of Oxford**

**Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Portuguese Linguistic Legacies in the Indian Ocean Commonwealth: Mozambique, Tanzania, Kenya, India, Sri Lanka, Maldives and Malaysia Speaker: Dr Shihan de Silva, Jayasuriya, ICwS**
India’s Elite Africans Speakers: Professor John McLeod, University of Louisville, USA; Dr Faaea Jasdanwalla Aberystwyth University, Wales; Dr Shihan de Silva, Institute of Commonwealth Studies
Singapore Seminar Series: Count on Queers, Singapore! Speaker: Simon Obendorf, University of Lincoln
Caribbean Seminar Series: A Queer Time and Space of Marronage: Patricia Powell’s A Small Gathering of Bones Speaker: Ronald Cummings, PhD student in the School of English, University of Leeds
Decolonization Seminar Series: War and Memory: Narratives of the Rhodesian war in the UDI era Speaker: Dr Sue Onslow, LSE
Lecture “Family Politics” and Book Launch: “India: A Portrait” Speaker: Patrick French
Nigeria, the Commonwealth and the 2011 elections Speaker: Kayode Samuel, ICwS
International Refugee Law Seminar Series: Family reunification of refugees and trans-jurisdictional marriages: a United Kingdom case study Speaker: Dr Prakash Shah, QMUL
Commonwealth Research Seminar Series: A broken Commonwealth? Speaker: Daisy Cooper, Director of the Commonwealth Policy Studies Unit (CPSU)
Caribbean Seminar Series: Cricket and Nationalism in the West Indies: CLR James and the Making of the Frank Worrell Captiancy Speaker: Clem Seecharan, London Metropolitan University
Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Accident from a historical error - incident in a global era: the language situation in post-independent Africa (Cameroon) Speaker: Dr Kizzitos Mpoche, Commonwealth Academic Research Fellow, SOAS, University of London
Britain and the Commonwealth: Confronting the Past - Imagining the Future Speaker: Professor Philip Murphy, ICwS
Decolonization Seminar Series: The Malayan Emergency: Asian perspectives & British and French Soldiers’ Views of the Counter-Insurgencies in Malaya and Indochina, 1945-1960 Speaker: Dr Karl Hack, Open University; Manuel Bollag, King’s College London
Dispatches: The Kids Britain doesn’t want: Speakers: David Modell, Director The Kids Britain Doesn’t Want; Dr David James Cantor, ICwS; Bajjeet Sandhu, solicitor and co-director Refugee Children’s Rights Project; Francesco Jeff, Specialist Childrens Advisor, Refugee Council
Caribbean Seminar Series: The 2011 Communist Party Congress in Cuba: real turning point or simply the usual rubber stamp? Speaker: Tony Kapcia, Nottingham University
Human Rights Seminar Series: Competing Authorities or Contested Consequences? Justice, Faith and Negotiation in Conflict States Speaker: Dr Leslie Vinjamuri, Co-director, Centre for the International Politics of Conflict, Rights and Justice, SOAS, and Co-chair, London Transitional Justice Network (LTJN)
Singapore Seminar Series: Singapore’s Defence Policy in the 21st Century: Limits to Success Speaker: Graham Webb-Ong, King’s College London
Exploring the History of Cyprus, 1878-2010 Speakers: Trelat Philippe; Thomas Kiely; Evangelia Mathopoulou; Diana Markides; Giuseppe Boscarello; Klearchos Kyriakides; Alex Apostolides; Philip Murphy; Ilia Xypolia; Tim Reardon; Alexis Alocou; Christianne Gates; George Kazamias; Michalis N. Michael; Anastasia Yiangou; Andreas Karyos; Zenon Stavrinides; Professor Robert Holland; Lisa Socrates; Paul N Strong, LSE; Mine Kanol; Yiannos Katsourides
Imperialism, Empire, and Genocide Speaker: Professor John Newsinger, Richard Gott and Dr Tom Lawson
Decolonization Seminar Series: Harold Macmillan, his diaries and decolonisation Speaker: Dr Peter Catterall, QMUL
International Refugee Law seminar series: The geography of refugee protection – exclusions, limitations and exceptions Speaker: Silvia Kanol; Yiannos Katsourides
Commonwealth Research Seminar Series: Transnational Education in the Commonwealth Speaker: Balasubramanayam Chandramohan, ICwS
Caribbean Seminar Series: Panel: The Haitian Revolution and the World: Responses to Independence Speaker: Julia Gafield, Duke University; Carrie Gibson, Cambridge University
Singapore Seminar Series: Between Creativity and Censorship: Cultural Policy and Creative Industries Speaker: Jun Zubillaga-Pow, King’s College London
Black Britain Seminar Series: Slavery, should there be an apology and reparation? Who should make it and who should say ‘Thank you. It was long overdue! Now I am truly free?’ Speaker: Donald Hinds
Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Linguistic Diversity in Bollywood: some recent trends Speaker: Mr Lalit Mohan Joshi, Film critic, editor and founder South Asian Cinema Foundation
Caribbean Seminar Series: Free African-Americans in 18th century Panama City: trade and identity Speaker: Silvia Espelt Bombin, Newcastle University
Human Rights Seminar Series: Legitimacy and Supranational Human Rights Courts Speaker: Dr Başak Çali, Senior Lecturer in Human Rights and Principal Investigator European Court of Human Rights Project, UCL
Najib, Malaysia and the coming Malaysian General Elections Speaker: James Chin, Professor of Political Science and Head of the School of Arts & Social Sciences, Monash University, Malaysia Campus
Connecting the Oceans: Music of the African Diaspora Speakers: Dr Shihan de Silva, ICwS; Njok malik Jeng, Yaram Arts
Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Living a multi-lingual life in the Commonwealth Speaker: Mr Rakeesh Bhano, Founder Editor, Language Issues: the journal of the National Association for Teaching English and other Community Languages to Adults (UK)
Commonwealth Research Seminar Series: Zimbabwe - state failure Speaker: Richard Bourne, ICwS
Negotiating with apartheid: the mission of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group 1986 Speaker: Stuart Mole, ICwS

Homophobia: Once a Virtue, Now a Reason for Shame Speakers: Robert Wintemute, Professor of Human Rights Law; Renato Sabbadini, Co-Secretary General of ILGA

The United Kingdom Overseas Territories: Continuity and Change Speakers: Professor Philip Murphy, ICwS; Professor David Killingray, Goldsmiths; Ian Bailey, Overseas Territories Directorate, FCO; Janice Panton, Chair of UK Overseas Territories Association; Paul Sutton, London Metropolitan University; Ian Hendry, Constitutional Advisor, FCO; Andrew Allen, former Head of Southern Ocean Team, Overseas Territories Directorate, FCO; Gert Oostindie, KITLV; Nathalie Mrugudovic, University of Aston; William Vlcuk, University of St Andrews; Vijay Krishnarayan, Commonwealth Foundation; Iain Orr, UK Overseas Territories Conservation Forum

Black Britain Seminar Series: Mariner, Renegade and castaway: Chris Braithwaite, the Colonial Seamen’s Association and class struggle Pan-Africanism in late Imperial Britain Speaker: Christian Hogsbjerg

Commonwealth Research Seminar Series: The politics of Greek–Cypriot elementary education in colonial Cyprus during the 1930s and 1940s Speaker: Onyeka Ike

Commonwealth Local Government Forum; Saul Dubow, University of Sussex; Michael Young, Mells Park process; Christabel Gurney, Archives Committee, Anti-Apartheid Movement; Stuart Mole, Sonny Ramphal; Ms Bongiwe Qwabe, Deputy High Commissioner for South Africa


Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Language Policy and Political Conflict in Colonial Uganda Speaker: Michael Twaddle, ICwS

Negotiating with apartheid: ‘Witness Seminar on the mission to South Africa of the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group 1986 Speakers: Daisy Cooper, Director of Commonwealth Policy Studies Unit; Stuart Mole, ICwS; Philip Marshall, Director, ICwS; Sue Onslow, LSE; Peter Marshall, Former Commonwealth Deputy Secretary-General – Economic; Derek Ingram, Commonwealth Affairs Journalist; Patsy Robertson, The Commonwealth Association; Stephen Chan, SOAS; Shridath Ramphal, Former Commonwealth Secretary-General; John Battersby, South African journalist; Carl Wright, Commonwealth Local Government Forum; Saul Dubow, University of Sussex; Michael Young, Mells Park process; Christabel Gurney, Archives Committee, Anti-Apartheid Movement; Stuart Mole, Sonny Ramphal; Ms Bongiwe Qwabe, Deputy High Commissioner for South Africa

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In the Shadow of the ICC: Colombia and International Criminal Justice Speakers: Kai Ambos, University of Göttingen, Germany; Jineth Bedoya, El Tiempo newspaper, Colombia; David Cantor, ICwS; Juan Pablo Cardona, GIZ, Germany; Phil Clark, SOAS & Oxford Transitional Justice Research; Catalina Diaz, University of Oxford; Par Engstrom, Human Rights Consortium; Geoff Gilbert, University of Essex; Andrei Gomez-Suarez, Sussex University; John Jones, Doughty Street Chambers; Chandra Lekha Sriman SOAS; Francisco Llereda, President advisor for Public Safety, Colombia; Maxine Molyneux, ISA; Mladen Ostojic, QMUL; Jenny Pearce, Bradford University; Eduardo Pizarro, National University, Colombia; Michael Reed, International Center for Transitional Justice; Emeric Rogier, Office of Prosecutor, International Criminal Court; Philippe Tremblay, Lawyers Without Borders, Canada; Peter van der Auweraert, International Organisation of Migration; Ivan Velasquez, Magistrate, Supreme Court of Colombia; Reinaldo Villalba José Alvear Restrepo, GIZ, Germany; Carmen Flores, Ministry of Justice, Colombia; Reinaldo Villalba José Alvear Restrepo, GIZ, Germany; Carmen Flores, Ministry of Justice, Colombia; Alfonso Qwabe, Deputy High Commissioner for South Africa

The End of the Portuguese Empire in a Comparative Perspective Speaker: Antonio Costa Pinto; Luís Nuno Rodrigues; Miguel Bandeira Jeronimo; Pedro Aires Oliveira; Professor Philip Murphy; William Roger Louis; Frederick Cooper; Crawford Young; John Darwin; Douglas Wheeler; Martin Shipway; Sarah Stockwell; Angela Coutinho; Mario Artur Machaquero; Fernando Pimenta; Helena Santana; Marcos Cardoa; David Castano; Maria Inacia Rezola; Tony Chafier; Alexander Keese; Corinna Unger; Fernando Rollo; Claudia Castelo; Jorge Varanda Ferreira; Amzet Boukari-Yahara; Branwen Griffith Jones; Gerhard Seibert; Daniella Mak; Aida Freudenthal; Joao Lourenco; Alexandra Dias Santos; Huiw Bennett; Carl Hack; Leo Zeilig; Yves Leonard; Pamila Gupta; Augusto Nascimento; Ana Margarida Sousa Santos; Natalya Vince; Michael Cahen; John Stuart; Maria de Conceicaco Neto; Fernando Florencia; Eric Morier-Genoud; Bruno Reis; Antonio Paulo Duarte; Fatima Rodrigues; Sandra Araujo; Gerald J Bender; John Cnn; Douglas Wheeler; Todd Cleveland; Daniel Marcos; John Kent; Dean J Kotowski; Daniel Byrne; Aurora Santos; Fernando Martins; Bruno Charbonneau; Rui Velez; Luis Barroso; Robert McNamara; Ryan M Irwin; Bruno Fonseca; Rui Lopes; Natasha Telepnevna; Sandrine Beuge; Ana Monica Fonseca; Thiago Carvalho; Tiago Moreira de Sa; Moises Fernandes; Frederic Durand; David Hicks; Armando Marques Guedes; Nuno Canas Mendes; Manuel Luis Real; Rosa Maria Perez; Rita Avila Cachado; Jason Keith Fernandes; Ines Lourenco; Claudia Pereira; Hugo Cardoso; Nicolas Bancel; Walter C Opello; Carmen Amado Mendes

A Workshop on Recent Indian State Elections Speaker: Andrew Wyatt, ICwS; James Chirityankandath, ICwS; Mukulika Banerjee, ICwS; James Manor, ICwS

Union with Greece (Enosis) and the Cypriot Communist Left, 1922–1959 Speaker: Yiannos Katourides, Visiting Fellow, ICwS

Black Britain Seminar Series: Black Britain Speaker: Onyeka

Linguistic Human Rights: Policy/Practice in the Commonwealth: Language Policy and Political Conflict in Colonial Uganda Speaker: Michael Twaddle, ICwS

Trade Routes, Migration and Cultural Transformation Speaker: Professor Philip Murphy, ICwS; Dr Toby Green, KCL; Ms Wambui M Wa-Ngatho, SOAS; Dr Shihan de Silva, ICwS; Professor Martin Ehala, University of Tartu, Estonia; Dr Rupert Arrowsmith, UCL; Professor Richard Pankhurst, Addis Ababa University
This was another busy year for the Library with high use by students and researchers of both print and archive collections. Planning took place throughout the year for the move over summer of the Institute of Commonwealth Studies Library to its new home on the 6th floor of the Senate House Library.

Staffing

In October 2010 David Clover, Institute of Commonwealth Studies Librarian, took up the CILIP/ESU Travelling Librarian Award for a study tour of US Libraries with strengths in Caribbean Studies, where he was able to visit collections and discuss topics including digitisation, outreach, reference services, fundraising, research trends and sources for library materials.

During the year we were grateful for the continuing assistance of Pat Larby, as a volunteer, compiling the Register of Research in Commonwealth Studies and Theses in Progress in Commonwealth Studies.

Library Development and Projects

Owing to the hard work of Pat Larby, the Register of Commonwealth Research continues to be updated, providing a statement of current PhD and MPhil research throughout a number of UK universities, and recording completed research. Theses in Progress in Commonwealth Studies is now only available online and is one of the most consulted items on the School of Advanced Study’s institutional repository, SAS-Space.

Following his study tour of the US, the Librarian presented at the English Speaking Union on his experiences and learning from the CILIP/ESU Travelling Librarian Award and also spoke at a CILIP International Library and Information Group meeting on A Travelling Librarian encounters the Caribbean in the US: collaboration, partnership and the Haiti Earthquake.

David presented a paper at the 2011 Society of Caribbean Studies Conference on the papers of the British Guiana shipping firm and merchants Sandbach, Tinne and Co, and was an invited speaker at a conference at the University of York, on Development and Empire, 1929-1962 where he spoke on sources for research on colonial development, highlighting materials held at the Institute of Commonwealth Studies Library.

David was on the Advisory Board for the JISLAC Library Directory project – which released a directory of library, archive and museum collections of note for Latin American and Caribbean Studies in 2011.

Material from the Library’s special collections was included in a Senate House library exhibition on Jane Austen and the Cultural and Literary Currents of her Time, the item Cuffy the Negro’s Doggerel Description of the Progress of Sugar London: E. Wallis, [c. 1840] ICOMM WIC23 illustrates the manufacture and refining of sugar in the British West Indies and draws attention to the experience of Jane Austen’s brother Frank in Antigua and the discussion of slavery in Mansfield Park.

Collaboration with other libraries is vital to provide a broad and accessible base for research support throughout the country. The Library maintained its relationship with, held office in, and contributed to projects developed by groups such as SCOLMA (Standing Conference on Library Materials on Africa), BACS LARG (British Association for Canadian Studies Library and Resources Group), the Society for Caribbean Studies and the University College and Research Special Interest Group of CILIP (Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals).

Use of the Library

Researchers looked at a variety of topics, including: Rastafarianism; the status of women in India; Australian peace movements; the history of Cape Town; leftism in India; sport and empire; women’s educational development in the Caribbean; the history of public health in India; structural adjustment policies and programmes in Africa; education in Kenya; strikes in India; human rights in Sri Lanka; West African students in Britain; crime in Jamaica and the co-operative movement in South Asia.

Archives and special collections were used heavily, and continue to attract national and international visitors. It was pleasing to see continued high use of collections including: the Keith Hancock papers; the Sandbach Tinne and Co collection; the Castle Wemyss papers; the Moyne papers on the West India Royal Commission; the papers of Sir Stephen Tallents; the West India Committee collection; the Michael Crowder papers; and the Ruth First collection. Also widely used were the Institute of Commonwealth Studies Seminar Papers and the Commonwealth Political Archives collection (with over 1000 items viewed).

Collection Development

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In addition to continued purchases the Library is fortunate to receive donations of books and periodicals both newly published and of historic value, as well as archive and manuscript materials. Donations were gratefully received this year from many people and organisations including: Thelma Akpabio, the Caribbean Council for Europe, Sarah Carter, Hassoum Ceesay, the Commonwealth Advisory Bureau, Kevin Laue, Corinne Lennox, Gordon Myers, and Richard Newman

The Library was grateful for the ongoing support of the Canadian government’s Depository Services Programme in making available Canadian official publications.

The Year Ahead

Project work is planned to look at official publications and electronic access to official publication in Africa and the Pacific.

Work will continue to improve and enhance access to and to promote archive collections. Funding is being sought for a number of projects to support cataloguing and digitisation of archive material.

A small exhibition is planned to support the Institute for the Study of the Americas conference on Eric Williams and the Making of Trinidad and Tobago. Other material from the collection will be used within an exhibition on Rudyard Kipling.
2010/11 was a year of re-focussing for the CPSU; building blocks were put in place for sustained growth in the future. The key achievements were:

- Through comments quoted on the front page of The Telegraph and in the Daily Mail encouraging David Cameron to focus on human rights not Britain’s imperial past, the profile of the organisation was raised in the mainstream British press

- Interviews with eight esteemed Commonwealth figures and the resulting report “Owning the Commonwealth: challenges for member governments” commissioned by the Secretariat, informed the work of the prestigious Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group established to make proposals to reinvigorate the association

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Management overview

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Projects

**Commonwealth Secretariat commissioned report for the EPG: “Owning the Commonwealth: challenges for member governments” Funding: £7,000 from the Commonwealth Secretariat**

The Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group (EPG) was established in 2009 to make proposals to Heads of Government to reinvigorate the Commonwealth. CAB - then CPSU - was commissioned by the Commonwealth Secretariat, to addresses the question of ownership of the Commonwealth, particularly by member governments. Following a series of in-depth interview, the CAB produced a paper that asks what member governments might expect of the Commonwealth – and what, in turn, might be expected of them by the wider association. The EPG will be presenting its report to Commonwealth Heads of Government in Perth, Australia in October.

**Review of the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group: on the side of the people?**

At the 2009 Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting (CHOGM), Heads of Government agreed that “consideration be given to strengthening the role of CMAG, in order to enable the Group to deal with the full range of serious or persistent violations of the Harare Principles.” The Communiqué called for a working group of member states to “look into how [CMAG’s] work may be further refined and elaborated to make it more effective.” CMAG will report to the next CHOGM in October 2011.

In April 2011, the CAB hosted a closed round-table meeting of High Commission representatives whose countries are represented on the CMAG review group. CAB made a presentation a review of CMAG’s development, engagements with member countries, new thinking on its future direction and recommendations. The meeting discussed CMAG best practice and current issues. It was hoped that High Commission representatives would brief CMAG ministers before their next CMAG review meeting on 29 April 2011. The CAB intends to publish its contribution to the Review of the Commonwealth Ministerial Action Group process, in October 2011.

“Commonwealth Principles and a Programme of Action on Embracing Civil Society” – inception project Funding received: £9,000 from the Commonwealth Foundation

The CAB funded by and in partnership with the Commonwealth Foundation, is proposing to develop “Commonwealth Principles and a Programme of Action on Embracing Civil Society” (working title), subject to funding. It is envisaged that the Principles would be developed through in-depth research and broad consultations, and would be underpinned by practical measures to be taken forward by Commonwealth countries, Commonwealth institutions, and civil society.

From June–October 2011 CAB conducted an inception project. This included: a review of the responses to the Commonwealth Foundation regional consultations for the 2011 CPF, a UK-wide workshop, a review of a number of codes of conduct for civil society and guides for government-civil society interaction and a major new report produced by CIVICUS entitled “Bridging the Gaps: Citizens, Organisations and Dissociation”; and a review of the responses to a questionnaire sent to former and current members of the Foundation’s Civil Society Advisory Committee (CSAC).
The inception stage will inform a discussion paper for the Commonwealth People’s Forum. The Discussion paper will set out the rationale for a set of Principles and a Programme of Action, some of the challenges and possible principles identified so far, and a section on Action Required. The 2011 Commonwealth People’s Forum will be invited to discuss the paper and provide feedback. It is intended that the resulting Principles would be put forward for adoption at the 2013 Commonwealth People’s Forum (CPF), and then for endorsement by Commonwealth leaders at their Summit a few days later.

Negotiating with Apartheid

The project examined the role of the Commonwealth in the international campaign against apartheid South Africa. In particular, in the 25th anniversary year, it reviewed the part played by the Commonwealth Eminent Persons Group of 1986 in seeking a negotiated end to apartheid. It explored the effectiveness of the group in having its proposals accepted by all the key parties, and the role of Nelson Mandela in advancing negotiations. It also assessed the value of the ‘negotiating concept’ developed by the group in the settlement eventually achieved five years later and the impact of the group’s report “Mission to South Africa” in invigorating the call for increased economic and financial sanctions. It sought to place the Commonwealth initiative within the context of other international initiatives to promote negotiations - such as the meeting of business and ANC leaders in Senegal - and considered the implications of the deteriorating relations between the British Government (headed by Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher) and the rest of the Commonwealth which resulted. A witness seminar was held on 13 June 2011.

Commonwealth Oral History

This project is in collaboration with the Institute and aims to develop a unique research resource on the oral history of the modern Commonwealth that will be of lasting benefit to a broad range of users including scholars, educators and policy makers. It will be made up of interviews, workshops and conferences with important figures who have helped to make the Commonwealth. Outputs so far include video footage of the “Negotiating with apartheid”; Witness Seminar, and an audio recording of an interview with Sir Shridath Surendranath “Sonny” Ramphal. An application has since been made to the AHRC for £477,528.93.

Commonwealth Fisheries Programme

2009 marked the highpoint in the long-running fisheries project, which was a partnership between the CPSU and the Commonwealth Foundation. The CAB has been keen continue its work on fisheries in developing a further phase to the project with a large bid to an appropriate funder. As part of this on-going work we convened a high-level workshop with potential partners from a range of organisations. CAB was able to gather many of the country’s leading fishery experts from the academic, commercial and policy world. We had speakers from the World Bank, DFID, Waitrose and relevant Commonwealth organisations. The meeting was an intensely productive discussion about key issues effecting the world fisheries and possible projects that would build on the impressive body of work that the CPSU has already carried out.

Engaging with Zimbabwe

At the end of 2011 the CAB sponsored Tafadzwa Choto for a Commonwealth Professional Fellowship. These fellowships are prestigious awards for mid-career professionals from the Commonwealth’s global south. For the first time the Commonwealth Scholarship Commission, which disperse the fellowships, had opened up the award to candidates from Zimbabwe. As part of the CAB’s advocacy and campaigning work on Zimbabwe we submitted an application. Ms Choto is a prominent civil society activist having worked for years as a researcher in a variety of small think-tanks in Harare. Ms Choto was due to work with the CAB on a project developing a ‘network of Commonwealth think-tanks’. The Fellowship with CAB was for six months. However, in February she was arrested and with six others charged with treason for attending a meeting about events in North Africa. She is currently on trial. The Fellowship has been held open for her and we hope that she will be able to join CAB in 2012 to take up her award.

Despite Ms Choto’s absence, CAB organised an induction programme for five fellows. As part of our attempts to strengthen Commonwealth involvement in Zimbabwe, CAB was active in developing a programme that focused on the modern history of the Commonwealth. Inviting Zimbabwean professional to London is a ‘bottom-up’ engagement with Zimbabwe by working with important professionals and civil society activists who will go on to play a vital role in a new Zimbabwe. Our induction programme included a workshop on the origins of the Commonwealth by Professor Philip Murphy. A lecture by CAB director Daisy Cooper on the institutions of Commonwealth think-tanks. The Fellowship with Ms Choto also incorporated a small conference with the CAB, held in London, to discuss the role of the Commonwealth in facilitating democratic change in Zimbabwe.

Priorities for 2011/12 – looking ahead

Re-launch event of CPSU as CAB and launch of our 2011 CHOGM Briefing (Sept 2011)
Influence CHOGM agenda with CAB Policy Briefing and advocacy efforts (Oct-Nov 2011)
Work with NEXUS to secure sponsorship for new monthly Opinion Piece series (2012)
Work with NEXUS to secure sponsorship for Ministerial Meeting Policy Briefings (2012)
The development of projects and funding applications (2012)

Events

November 2010 – Future of CPSU one-day workshop.
Attended by around 30 people during the course of the day, including a number of government representatives.

March 2011 – 1-week Induction Programme for Commonwealth Fellows from Zimbabwe.

## Income and expenditure report 2010-2011

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Research Associates
Launch of the ICwS Research Associates Network

During 2010/11, the ICwS established a new network of Research Associates, to enable UK scholars to collaborate on issues in the humanities and social sciences relevant to the study of the Commonwealth; to provide a forum to influence national and international policy on issues relating to the fields of study of the Research Associates; and to advance the boundaries of research fields in the humanities and social sciences on issues relevant to the Commonwealth and its member states. The inaugural meeting was held in May 2011 at the ICwS to discuss how best to take the network forward.

Research Associates 2010-11

Dr. Elizabeth Buettner, Senior Lecturer in History, University of York. Research Interests: Modern British social, cultural, and imperial/Commonwealth History since the late 19th century (with a current emphasis on post-1945 themes).

Professor Anthony Chafer, Professor of Contemporary French Area Studies, University of Portsmouth. Research Interests: Decolonisation of Francophone sub-Saharan Africa; Franco-African Relations in the Post-colonial Era; Anglo-French Cooperation in Africa; The EU and Africa.

Dr. Ruth Craggs, Lecturer in Human Geography, St. Mary's University College. Research Interests: Historical and Cultural Geographies of the 'modern' Commonwealth; Decolonisation, Geopolitics and the Postcolonial; The History and Philosophy of Geography.

Dr. Venkat Iyer, Senior Lecturer, School of Law, University of Ulster. Law Commissioner, Northern Ireland. Research Interests: Comparative constitutional law; Media law; Human rights law and practice; Legal and judicial reform.

Dr. Chandrika Kaul, Lecturer in Modern History, University of St. Andrews. Research Interests: Print Cultures of Empire with special reference to the British empire in South Asia in the 19th and 20th centuries; Media and Empire including British press, Indian press and Indian broadcasting history in the 20th century; History and Politics of India, 19th and 20th centuries; Press, Politics and Propaganda in Britain, 19th and 20th centuries; Globalization and International Communications.

Dr. Lorna Lloyd, Reader in International Relations, Keele University. Research Interests: Diplomatic, Political, Legal and Historical aspects of the Commonwealth, League of Nations and the United Nations and states’ use of these organisations to pursue their national interests. Particularly interested in the transformation of the British Empire into the modern Commonwealth and the diplomatic relationships between Commonwealth countries. Current research focuses on Commonwealth diplomacy in the League of Nations.

Dr Donal Lowry, Reader in Imperial and Commonwealth History, Oxford Brookes University. Research interests: Loyalist allegiances, ethnic identities and anti-colonial connections in the British Empire; Anglo and inter-dominion relations; Ireland and the British Empire; southern Africa/including South Africa and Zimbabwe/Rhodesia; religion, gender and empire.

Professor Shirin Rai, Professor in Politics and International Studies, University of Warwick. Research Interests: Gender and Politics; Parliaments; Political Economy of Development.

Dr. Amanda Sives, Lecturer in Politics, University of Liverpool. Research Interests: Caribbean region with a particular focus on Jamaica; citizenship; diaspora; violence and politics.

Professor Andrew Thompson, Professor of Imperial and Global History and Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research, University of Leeds. Research Interests: Impact of imperialism on Britain; history of colonial South Africa; history of the ‘British World’; Imperial migrations; informal empire.