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Institute for the Study of International Development, Faculty of Arts. Annual Report. January 1 to December 31, 2015

As in previous years, 2015 was a year of continued growth at ISID. One of the most important accomplishments of this year is that we doubled our ISID faculty body by hiring two outstanding assistant professors: <u>Professor Diana</u> <u>Allan</u>, jointly appointed with Anthropology, and <u>Professor Francesco Amodio</u>, jointly appointed with Economics. Prof Allan comes to us via Cornell University with a PhD in Anthropology from Harvard. Her research areas focus on refugees and migration with a special focus on Palestine and the Middle East. Prof. Amodio recently completed his PhD in Economics at Universitat Pompeu Fabra (Barcelona) and specializes in labour, development and political economy.

Adding to our research complement, in 2015, we welcomed our first cohort of Post-Doctoral fellows in Global Governance, Muyukh Chatterjee (PhD in Anthropology, Emory University) and Zinaida Miller (PhD in International Relations, Tufts). Our <u>Global Governance program</u> is thriving – in addition to our new post-doctoral fellowships, the program financed a truly exciting speaker's series. We also hosted our first visiting scholar through McGill's agreement with the <u>Indian Council for Cultural Relations</u>, Professor Maitrayee Chaudhuri, a sociologist from Jawaharlal Nehru University.

We ran two executive education programs where we bring together practitioners, private sector and Third Sector representatives on issues of real development challenges. In June 2015, we held a program on Corporate Social Responsibility in Lima Peru with GRADE (<u>Group for the Analysis of Development</u>) and in October 2015 we held a program on Truth and Reconciliation in Montreal.

Finally, 2015 saw a number of major public events. In partnership with the <u>MasterCard Foundation</u>, our <u>annual</u> <u>conference</u> covered the theme of the "brain drain" and the contribution of higher education to development in Africa. We were also pleased to begin a relationship with the <u>Samuel Family Foundation</u> by welcoming their President and Chair, Kim Samuel as a professor of practice at ISID who delivered the <u>2015 McDonald-Currie Lecture</u> on Social Connectedness. Finally, in partnership with the United Nations Environment Programme and organized by ISID Professor of Practice Michael Brown, ISID hosted the Canadian launch of the UNEP guide on *Natural Resources and Conflict: a Guide for Mediation*.

Teaching Programs

For the Winter 2015 term we saw a total of 1043 INTD Undergraduate students (649 Major Concentration, 70 Honours, 47 Joint Honours, 277 Minor Concentration). This number increased slightly during the Fall 2015 term to a total of 1085 INTD Undergraduate students (673 Major Concentration, 84 Honours, 44 Joint Honours, 284 Minor Concentration).

The African Studies Undergraduate numbers had a slight decrease in 2015 with a total of 48 AFRI Undergraduates in the Winter 2015 term (16 Major Concentration, 32 Minor Concentration), while in Fall 2015 the total number of AFRI Undergraduates stayed more or less the same at 47 (14 Major Concentration, 29 Minor Concentration, 4 Joint Honours). The Joint Honours program in African Studies was a new development for that term. There was little change in the number of LACS Undergraduates in 2015, with 14 declared LACS students in the Winter 2015 term (all Major Concentration) and a total of 20 declared LACS students in the Fall 2015 term (Again, Major Concentration).

The Development Studies Graduate program option had a total of 13 students in Winter 2015 and a total of 17 students in Fall 2015 – a healthy increase over previous years, due to the rethinking of the INTD657 graduate seminar and better promotion among participating departments.

Of note this year, International Development Studies Honours student Kazumi Hoshino Macdonald was the recipient of a Rhodes scholarship, becoming McGill's 139th Rhodes Scholar.

Executive Education

ISID hosted two successful executive programs in 2015.

From June 8-12, 2015, the Institute worked with Group for the Analysis of Development in Lima to deliver an executive program on Corporate Social Responsibility. The program delved into the multi-stakeholder dialogue required in order to include the voice of the public and private sector, NGOs, academia and marginalized groups in inclusive sustainable development. The teaching team included experienced academics, civil servants, members of the private sector and two former National Chiefs from Canada. The Canadian Embassy in Lima played a key role in helping to make the program a success.

From October 26-30, 2015, ISID delivered an inaugural executive program on the themes of reconciliation, conflict prevention and the promotion of more inclusive societies in Montreal. The program examined international and domestic experiences in the realm of reconciliation and the key elements required in order to ensure long- term reconciliation is achieved. The teaching team and keynote presenters included a talented group of academics, public and private sector representatives, members of NGOs, Indigenous peoples and a former Canadian Prime Minister.

Research Funding Highlights

2015 saw the continuation of many funded research projects at ISID. A diversified portfolio of research funding and targeted donations are of great importance for the Institute as we are largely self-funded. In 2015, a grant from the National Association of Friendship Centre funded two in-depth policy papers on aboriginal issues by qualified McGill graduate students. A large gift from the Mastercard Foundation funded the ISID's annual March conference, this year organized around the theme of higher education and its contribution to development in Africa. Another small grant from the International Development Research Centre allowed the hiring of two undergraduate research assistants who, in the context of a larger project, studied employment outcomes for students with university degrees in International development studies in Canada.

A service agreement with the Department of Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development and Graybridge Consulting in the amount of \$34,050.00 was also negotiated, with ISID providing consultancy services on the provision of courses on social entrepreneurship.

A donation of \$35,000 was given to ISID in October 2015 from the Samuel Family Foundation, with the goal of collaborating in research on social connectedness.

Continuing projects included an analysis of the social responsibility of a major gold mining project in Mauretania, funded by Kinross Gold, and a major grant of \$100,000 from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to Dr Eliane

Ubalijoro, focusing on photovoice methodologies for gender responsiveness and effective innovation. We continued our collaboration with McGill's Centre for Population Dynamics (CPD) and the African Population Health Research Centre (APHRC) on a day-care project in the Korogocho slum of Nairobi Kenya, funded by the GrOW initiative (IDRC and DfID), under the leadership of Shelley Clark (CPD, Primary Investigator) and Caroline Kabiru (APHRC, Co-PI).

ISID Publications 2015

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Iryna Volynets. Social Innovation and Aboriginal Communities. Aboriginal Policy Study Paper. August 2015.

Ben Geboe. <u>Comparative Approaches to Reconciliation: Canada, United States, Australia and New Zealand</u>. Aboriginal Policy Study Paper. July 2015.

Should I Stay or Should I Go. Conference Report. March 2015.

<u>Code Blue: Ending Impunity for Sexual Violence by UN Peackeeping Personnel</u>. Report of the Expert Workshop co-hosted by AIDS-Free World and the Program in Global Governance at ISID. October 2015.

Philip Oxhorn

Oxhorn, Philip. "Celebrating 75 Years: The Revista Mexicana de Sociologia," *Revista Mexicana de Sociologia suplemento* (July, 2015): 39-44.

Sonia Laszlo

Lowitt. K., G. M. Hickey, Saint Ville, A., Raeburn, K., Thompson-Colon, T., Laszlo, S. and L. E. Phillip. 2015. "Factors affecting the innovation potential of smallholder farmers in the Caribbean Community" *Regional Environmental Change* Vol. 15(7): 1367-1377.

Megan Bradley

Megan Bradley (ed.) (2015) *Forced migration, reconciliation and justice,* Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Megan Bradley (2015) 'Introduction: The troubled intersection of forced migration, justice and reconciliation,' in M. Bradley (ed.) *Forced Migration, Reconciliation and Justice*, Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Megan Bradley (2015) 'Advancing the agenda: Implications for research, policy and practice,' in M. Bradley (ed.) *Forced Migration, Reconciliation and Justice,* Montreal: McGill-Queen's University Press.

Megan Bradley, Ibrahim Fraihat and Houda Mzioudet (forthcoming, 2016) *Libya's displacement crisis: Uprooted by revolution and civil war*, Washington, DC: Georgetown University Press.

Megan Bradley and Angela Sherwood (forthcoming) 'Addressing and resolving internal displacement: Reflections on a soft law "success story," in T. Gammeltoft-Hansen, S. Lagoutte and J. Cerone (eds.) *Soft law and human rights*, Oxford: Oxford University Press (accepted).

Roberta Cohen and Megan Bradley (forthcoming) 'Disasters and displacement: Gaps in protection,' in A. Vermeer and M. Bothe (eds.) *The rule of law in humanitarian emergencies*, Leiden: Brill/Martinus Nijhoff. (Volume celebrating key contributions published in the first five years of the *Journal of International Humanitarian Legal Studies*) (accepted).

Megan Bradley (accepted, minor revisions) 'Researching the resolution of post-disaster displacement: Reflections from Haiti and the Philippines,' *Journal of Refugee Studies*.

Megan Bradley (submitted) 'The right of return: Conceptualizing claims,' *Journal of Refugee Studies* (revise and re-submit)

Megan Bradley (submitted) 'The International Organization for Migration (IOM): Gaining power in the forced migration regime,' *Refuge* (submitted as part of special issue on 'Power and influence in the global refugee regime') (under review).

Michael Brown

Michael J. Brown & Marie-Joëlle Zahar, 2015. Social Cohesion as Peacebuilding in the Central African Republic and Beyond, Journal of Peacebuilding & Development, 10:1, 10-24, DOI: 10.1080/15423166.2015.1008349. Link: <u>http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/15423166.2015.1008349</u>

United Nations Department of Political Affairs and United Nations Environment Programme, 2015. *Natural Resources and Conflict: A Guide for Mediation Practitioners*. New York and Geneva: UN DPA and UNEP. (Principal contributing author)

Eliane Ubalijoro

Eliane Ubalijoro (2015). Leadership lessons from experiences of innovation, trauma and grief. <u>http://nytimesineducation.com/leading-thought/leadership-lessons-from-experiences-of-innovation-trauma-and-grief/</u> (subscription only access).

John Eric Baugher and **Eliane Ubalijoro** (2015). Cultivating the Capacity to Suffer. How to Be a Better Leader. Routledge Press eBook pp.118-122. Available at <u>https://goo.gl/JN8T8G</u>

Eliane Ubalijoro (2015). Toward a New Civilization: Reflections on the Fuji Declaration. <u>http://fujideclaration.org/toward-a-new-civilization/</u>

ISID Events 2015

During the 2015 calendar year, ISID organized an extensive series of special events, including visiting speakers' lectures, conferences and research workshops. Special recognition must be given to funding received through ISID's Global Governance program, which funded many of these events.

Date	Speaker	Affiliation	Title of Event
January 22	Madhukar Pai	Global Health Programs	The Importance of Private Sector in Tuberculosis Control: The Case Study of India
January 28	Francois Gerin-Lajoie	Fondation Paul Gerin- Lajoie	Education, the Key Word for the Future of International Development
February 5	Megan Bradley	Political Science; ISID	Researching the Right to Return: Unexpected Cases and Places
February 19	Poulami Raychoudhuri	Sociology	The Purposive Nature of Accidental Methods
March 19-20	Various	Mastercard Foundation	Should I Stay or Should I Go: Maximizing the Contribution of Higher Education to Development in Africa. International Conference

March 26	Geneva List	Doctoral Candidate, Geography	Mixing Methods in the Amazon Basin: Navigating Quantities, Qualities and Land
April 9	Nicholas Barber	Doctoral Candidate, Anthropology	So You're Just Hanging Out? Friends as Fieldsites in Southeast Cameroon
September 14	Romain Murenzi	The World Academy of Science	Science and Education in Developing Countries
September 17	Kimberley Manning	Concordia University	Authoritarian Attachments: Party Families and the Gendered Origins of the Chinese State
September 24	Sonia Laszlo	Economics and ISID	Understanding Behaviour in Developing Countries Combining Economic Experiments and Surveys
October 1	Mark Sidel	University of Wisconsin	Regulation and Differentiation of Civil Society Groups in China and Vietnam
October 8	Ifeyinwa Mbakogu	Doctoral Candidate, Social Work	Baby Factories in Nigeria: The error of a single story
October 15	Megan Bradley, Francois Crepeau, Diana Allen, Philip Oxhorn, Erik Kuhonta	McGill University	ISID Roundtable on the Refugee Crisis in Europe
October 15	Kim Samuel	Samuel Family Foundation	Bridging Divides, Building Connectedness: Why Social Connectedness Matters in a Changing World
October 22	Maitrayee Chaudhuri	Visiting Professor, ISID	Indentity Formation Amoung South Asian Migrants in Two Different Contexts: the USA and India.
October 29	Katherine Bersch	Stanford University	When Democracies Deliver: Governance Reform in Brazil and Argentina
November 5	Shelley Clark	Sociology; Centre for Population Dynamics	Cash Transfers for Young Adolescent Girls in Rural Ghana.
November 12	Bradford L. Barham	University of Wisconsin- Madison	Linking Cash Transfer Programs with Child Welfare and Rural Productivity Improvements: Lessons from Mexico, Brazil, and Other Latin American Experiences
November 19 2015	Philip Oxhorn	Political Science and ISID	Contested Sovereignty and the Limits of Civil Society: The Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Comparative Perspective
November 25 2015	Maitrayee Chaudhuri	Visiting Professor, ISID	National and Global Media Discourse After the Savage Death of "Nirbhaya": Instant Access and Unequal Knowledge

November 26 2015	Various	McGill University, United Nations Environment Program	United Nations Publication Launch. Natural Resources and Conflict: A Guide for Mediation Practitioners. Panel Discussion.
November 26 2015	Yves Tiberghien	University of British Colombia	Paradigm Shift or Paradigm Clash? The Battle Over Global Development Norms
December 3 2015	Moyukh Chatterjee	Postdoctoral Fellow, ISID	Blindness and Development: Violence, Spectacle, and Fieldwork in India.