

DSA Ireland provides a national platform, an open and participatory space for dialogue between researchers, policy-makers and practitioners who have an interest in, or are working in, the area of international development. It supports cohesion and capacity-building in the development studies sector and promotes strategic alliances and partnerships to promote and enhance the Irish development studies sector. It harnesses research to support and promote coherent evidence- based development. Its policy and practice aims at the reduction of global poverty, the enhancement of all form of equality and respect for human rights. DSA Ireland currently supports seven groups: Child Health, Nutrition; Civil Society; Education; Gender and Humanitarian Action; Research into Action. Each group is run by a convener with experience and/or expertise in the given area. Study Groups are involved in different activities such as occasional seminars/workshops focused on new research; collaborative projects on key thematic area; conducting research and supporting new research initiatives; engaging in dialogue with other researchers and practitioners and participating in thematic sessions as part of the programme of events at the DSA Ireland Annual Conference.

Concept

The last two years have been a pivotal time in the field of international development. The Sustainable Development Goals have been adopted, while the Brexit vote and the emergence of Trumpism in the United States will have substantial impacts on the international development context. At a time when xenophobia and anti-migrant populism are in the ascendant and support for multilateralism and non-discrimination are in decline, how can we protect and sustain the long struggle for rights based approaches to development? What guidance can the concept of human rights offer international development practitioners, policy makers and theorists in this new, more challenging, environment?

The 2017 Development Studies Association of Ireland annual conference will address these issues. In particular it will focus on:

- What are the possibilities of using human rights treaties, agreements and other instruments to combat discriminatory practices, policies, attitudes and processes?
- How can a rights based approach tackle the root causes of poverty and support a more equitable distribution of wealth and power?
- How can a rights based approach contribute to humanitarian and conflict affected states to improve safety of populations and sustainability of interventions?
- How can the international development community globally mobilise to forward a progressive human rights agenda?
- What are the appropriate roles of different types of rights in promoting human flourishing? Examples of these might include the relative role of land and property rights versus rights to subsistence.
- What new social conditions are emerging such as internet access that threaten the protection of rights such as freedom of information, expression and assembly, and how should these be addressed?
- What are the political, economic, and social blockages to the realisation and actualisation of rights and how do the concepts of political, economic and social rights play a role in the realisation of human rights?
- What is the evidence from the field of rights based programming to promote development?
- Are rights an appropriate framework through which to view global developmental challenges or are they a potentially colonizing world view which may occlude indigenous perspectives and practices?

The DSAI Study Groups on Humanitarian Action, Gender, Nutrition, Civil Society, Child Health and Education will explore the complexity of development through rights. We are open, of course, to all sectors and thematic interests groups who wish to engage in this space for dialogue on the meaning of development through rights. We will also provide a platform for ongoing development research from any perspective, as it is our practice.

PROGRAMME OUTLINE

DAY 1 – Thursday 23rd November 2017

9:45 – 10:00	Welcome and Opening Words by representative of DSA Ireland, Dr. Padraig Carmody
10:00 - 10.45	Opening Keynote Address: "Why a human rights based approach is essential to sustainable development: the link between human rights and the Sustainable Development Goals" Andrew Gilmour, Assistant Secretary-General for Human Rights, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
10.45 - 11.30	Keynote Address: "Realising rights for people with disabilities globally: exploring double and triple discrimination based on intersecting identities"
	Dr. Mary Keogh, Senior Advisor on Disability and Gender Equality, CBM International
11.30 - 12.00	Coffee Break
12.00 - 13.30	Parallel Sessions 1 (see below)
13.30 - 14.30	Lunch / Annual General Meeting / Post-graduate Students Sessions
14.30 - 16.00	Parallel Sessions 2
16:00 - 17:30	Buffet Reception

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DAY 2 – Friday 24th November 2017

9.45-10.30	Invited Speaker:
	"Development through rights: unicorns, passing ships or the possible democratic politics of socioeconomic rights"
	Dr. Su-ming Khoo, School of Political Science and Sociology, National University of Ireland, Galway.
10.30-11.00	Coffee Break
11.00-12.30	Parallel Sessions 3
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.00	Parallel Sessions 4
15.00-16.20	"Plenary Roundtable: Protecting the Investment in Rights Based Development: Multi sectoral Perspectives".
	Speakers:
	Deirdre Mortell, Social Innovation Fund
	Dr. Fiona Lithander, University of Bristol
	 Tinotenda Salome Honda, Women's Rights and Gender Justice Programme Coordinator, Oxfam Zimbabwe
	Dr. Ibrahim Natil, Dublin City University
	Chair: Nicola Brennan, Irish Aid
16.20-16.30	Closing Remarks: Dr. Enida Friel, DSAI Steering Committee Member

PARALLEL SESSIONS:

Day 1: Thursday 23rd November 2017

Session 1	Auditorium	Classroom 1	Classroom 5	Classroom 6
12:00-13:30	Civil Society The Substance of Rights in Civil Society	Gender 1 Women, Conflict and Social Movements	Education	General Development 1
	"A Human-Rights Based approach to Participation" Nicholas McMurry (Irish Centre for Human Rights, NUI Galway) "Development, Peacebuilding and Reconciliation through Economic, Social and Cultural Rights in Colombia" Alejandro Valderrama Herrera (MA Candidate International Peacebuilding, Security and Development Practice. National University of Ireland, Maynooth) "The Realisation of 'New Rights': Food Sovereignty, Rural Movements and Left-Wing Government in Ecuador" Chris O'Connell (School of Law and Government, Dublin City University)	"Global Sisterhood? North-South Relations and Transnational Women's Movements" Dr. Jutta Joachim, (Senior Lecturer in International Relations, Radboud University, the Netherlands). "The Role Of The Human Rights Based Approach In Legal Pluralistic, Conflict-Affected Contexts The Case Of Cedaw In Timor-Leste" Clíonadh O'Keeffe (NUI, Galway) "International NGOs: Women's Engagement in Community Peacebuilding and Development" Dr. Ibrahim Natil, (Institute for International Conflict Resolution and Reconstruction, Dublin City University) Chair: Dr. Stacey Scriver, (Gender Study Group Co- Convener)	"Development Education and the Sustainable Development Goals" Prof. Douglas Bourn, (Professor of Development Education at the University College London Institute of Education) "Teacher education and quality schooling in the context of the SDGs 2030" Prof. Paul Conway, (Faculty of Education & Health Sciences, University of Limerick) "Teacher unions and SDG 4" Ms. Moira Leyden, (Education and Research Officer, Association of Secondary School Teachers in Ireland) "Sustainable Development Education On A Massive Scale: Evaluation And Reflections Of A Massive Online Open Course"	"Pathways to Generative Urbanism in Africa" Dr. Padraig Carmody (Trinity College Dublin and University of Johannesburg): "How can we ensure authentic voices in human rights monitoring" Dr. Mary Keogh (CDLP/CBM, Senior Advisor on Disability and Gender Equality). "An Assessment Of The Implementation Of Direct Income Supports For Vulnerable Populations In Uganda" Maeve McKieran (M.Sc. Candidate in Development Practice, TCD UCD) "Promoting Universal Birth Registration for Children's Development and Protection in Liberia and Sierra Leone" Deirdre Murray (Plan Ireland)

	"Demystifying rights-based approaches to development: how will duty-bearers secure rights to someone?" Nita Mishra (PhD Candidate, University College Cork) Chair: Dr. Su-ming Khoo, Civil Society Study Group Convener		Dr. Silvia Gallagher, (Online Education, Trinity College, Dublin) check placing with Sean Chair: Dr. Sean Farren, (Education Study Group Convener)	"Poverty, Insecurity and the Right to the City in Nigeria" Geoffrey Nwaka (Abia State University, Uturu, Nigeria) Chair: Dr. Padraig Carmody, (DSA Ireland Steering Committee Member)
Session 2	Auditorium	Classroom 1	Classroom 5	Classroom 6
14:30-16:00	Humanitarian Action	Nutrition	General Development 2	Session by Future Earth Ireland
	"Unpacking Complex Power Relations in a Humanitarian Relief Network" Okezie Emagua (Human Rights and Development Research Cluster, University of Limerick, Ireland) "Protection of Civilians' camps at UN bases in South Sudan as a response to mass violence" Dr. Walt Kilroy, (Institute for International Conflict Resolution and Reconstruction (IICRR), Dublin City University) "Gender and Rights-Based Humanitarianism" Clionadh O'Keefe (NUI, Galway) Chair: Dr. Rob Kevlihan, (Humanitarian Action Study Group Convener)	"The interaction between HIV and nutritional status in Uganda: preliminary results from NOURISH" Dr. Fiona Lithander, (University of Bristol) "Climate Change and Health/ Nutrition." Niall Roche, (Independent Consultant, Adjunct Assistant Professor, Centre for Global Health, Trinity College Dublin) "UCD Volunteers Overseas Nutrition Project - Community-based Management of Acute Malnutrition, Uganda."	"Controlling Corruption in Development Aid: New Evidence from Contract-level Data" Ciara McCorley (University of Sussex) "Peace and Sustainable Development are not only possible, they are inevitable: Exploration of a moral and value- based approach to Rights Based Approach." Carmel Irandoust (Advocacy and policy Officer at World Vision Ireland in Dublin, Ireland) "Tradition as a Modern Strategy - Indigenous Knowledge, Globalization and Development in Africa"	"Future Earth Ireland And Transdisciplinarity: A Role For Civil Society - Participatory Approaches" Dr. Su-ming Khoo (NUI, Galway) "Shared Futures and Mutual Responsibility" Dr. Susan Murphy (Lecturer in Development Practice, School of Natural Sciences, Geography, TCD) Discussant: Jim Clarken, (CEO, Oxfam Ireland) Chair: Frank Geary, (Director, IDEA).

		Dr. Aifric O'Sullivan (School Of Agriculture & Food Science, University College Dublin) Chair: Jacinta Greene, (Nutrition Study Group Convener)	Geoffrey Nwaka (Abia State University, Uturu, Nigeria) "Information and Communications Technology for Development (ICT4D) - A Review of the Field and Future Priorities in a Changing International Context" PJ Wall (Knowledge and Data Engineering Group (KDEG), School of Computer Science and Statistics, TCD) Chair: Dr. Padraig Carmody, (DSA Ireland Steering Committee Member)	
Session 3	Auditorium	Classroom 1	Classroom 5	Classroom 6
11:00-12:30	Gender 2 Gender and Rights: Beliefs and Experiences	Civil Society 2 Development through Rights: Actors and Agency	Child Health	Session on how to publish DSAI Working Papers
	"Social Norms that Violate the Rights of Women And Girls Living With Disabilities" Tinotendo Hondo (Oxfam Zimbabwe) "Young Women's Economic Rights: From Father To Blesser To HusbandWhy "Sweat"?" Kudzai Mange (Oxfam Zimbabwe)	"Sustainable Development And Collective Bargaining Rights: Wage Bargaining In Cambodia's Garment Industry" David Cichon (PhD Candidate, Department of Sociology, Trinity College Dublin) Chair: Dr. Su-ming Khoo	"Realising The Right To Health Through A Health Voucher Scheme, For Urban Poor In Bangladesh" Breda Gahan, (Concern Worldwide) "Child Health, Nutrition, and the Sustainable Development Goals"	Chair: Dr. Padraig Carmody

"Periods,
Perceptions,
Practices: A
Participatory
Inquiry into
Women's
Experiences of
Menstruation
and Menstrual
Hygiene in
Jhansi, India"

Claire Windsor (TDC, UCD Masters in Development Practice, Ireland and Participatory Research in Asia, PRIA, India)

Chair: Prof. Honor Fagan, (Gender Study Group Convener) "People as Security Risks: The framing of migration in the UK securitydevelopment nexus"

Eamon McConnan (Postdoctoral Fellow, International Institute for Conflict Resolution and Reconstruction, School of Law and Government, Dublin City University)

"Development
In The Absence
Of Rights
Young Migrants
And Refugees
Growing Up In
Legal And Social
Marginalisation
On The ThailandMyanmar
Border"

Derina Johnson, (PhD Candidate, School of Social Work and Social Policy, Trinity College, Dublin).

"NGDOS as
Human Rights
Promoters: The
Case of Former
Beneficiaries
of Aid Turned
Donors" Dr. Galia
Chimiak (Institute
of Philosophy
and Sociology,
Polish Academy
of Sciences in
Warsaw, Poland),

Jacinta Greene, (Nutritionist, Tallaght Hospital)

Session 4	Auditorium	Classroom 1	Classroom 6
13:30-15:00	General Development 3	The DSAI Platform	Adaptive Programming
	"Progressive social policy demands vs market-state pragmatism: a comparative-historical analysis of Conditional Cash Transfer programmes in Brazil and the Philippines" Mark Curry (NUI, Galway): "Human Capital and Economic Growth in Jammu and Kashmir: An Empirical analysis" Dr. Javid Khan (Assistant Professor Economics, Islamic University of Science and Technology, Kashmir, India) "Let The Search Begin: Is There Linkage Between Human Rights And Fairer International Trade System?" David Nyaluke (PhD, Business School, University College Dublin) Chair: Dr. Padraig Carmody	The DSAI are delighted to announce the launch of a new social platform for members. This will replace the current DSAI website and will be available at www.dsaireland. org. The aim of the platform is to help members network, collaborate and share knowledge, supporting the mission of the DSAI in growing the community of academics, practitioners, communities and members of the public interested in development studies. The platform features spaces for study groups to selforganise and communicate on their activities. During lunch we will present the new platform and activate all members of the DSAI so you can start exploring this exciting new capacity for the association. We will also host a special session at this time.	"Evidence based Barriers and Enablers for Behaviour Change" Deirdre Carolan, (World Vision Ireland) "Capacity, Complexity and Adaptation: grappling with intangible development outcomes" Peter McEvoy, (Independent Consultant and PhD Candidate, School of Business, Dublin City University) "Designing an Adaptive Programme" Sarah O'Boyle (Christian Aid Ireland) "Difficulties in implementing a human rights Perspective within a Neoliberal Political Rationality: A Brief Historical Analysis of Irish Drug Service Users and their fight for human rights based treatment" Richard Healy, (PhD Candidate, Maynooth University)

		"The Role Of Adult Education In Building Critical Consciousness And Action To Halt Corporate Land Grabbing. Lessons From
		Raja Ampat District of West Papua Province Indonesia"
		Maria Latumahina (Seventy Three PTE. LTD, Indonesia):

