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Chair's Welcome

Welcome to the July 2007 newsletter edition of the Citizenship and Globalisation RPA.

The RPA is currently one of the three elite research concentrations within Deakin University. It is at the foremost multidisciplinary research clusters studying citizenship and globalisation in Australia and seeks to become one of the most significant internationally. In particular, the RPA aims to:

- undertake research into the areas and problems of citizenship and globalisation;
- communicate theoretical, empirical and practical developments in citizenship and globalisation to an academic and public audience;
- identify the ways in which our understanding of citizenship and globalisation can make a practical difference;
- engage in dialogue on citizenship and globalisation with government, business, community and cultural groups outside the university;
- provide high quality research training through its higher degree programs;

Researchers involved in the research priority area of citizenship and globalisation at Deakin University undertake research into the ways in which people participate as active citizens at the local, national and international level. They explore the value of 'people-to-people' relationships in what has come to be known as civil society and the role of these relationships in ensuring stability and cohesion in Australia and in our region.

The Citizenship & Globalization RPA is putting forward two significant research groups for the Research Quality Framework (RQF) exercise around the citizenship, globalization and cultural heritage themes. We are confident that the quality of our research outputs and the impact of its applications will result in good outcomes.

We invite your participation in our upcoming seminars and conferences. We welcome your notes on your research and advertisement for circulation. Contribution can be emailed to citglob@deakin.edu.au. The Bulletin is produced on a bi-monthly basis.

Hope you find this newsletter of interest,

A/Professor Fethi Mansouri,
Chair, Citizenship & Globalisation RPA.

Upcoming Events RPA

Citizenship and Globalisation Seminar

The RPA seminar series in the second semester will be held during the Arts Faculty universal non teaching time of 12pm to 1pm (except for 31 July). All the seminars will have a voice point hook up with Geelong campus. Please BYO lunch. Please note that the seminar schedule is constantly updated on our website < www.deakin.edu.au/icg >.

The plight of Western Sahara: background to the intifada of independence.'

Speaker: Malainin Lakhal,
Secretary General of the
Saharawi Writers & Journalists'
Union

When: Tuesday, 31 July from 4pm

Where: The Blue Room, B2.20,
Burwood campus /
The Arts Meeting Room,
Geelong Campus (Building ib,
Level 2, Room ib4.325)
with Voice Point

Chair: Michael Leach



About the seminar: The remarkable resistance of Saharawi civil society living under the Moroccan occupation of their North African homeland has a history dating from the days of Spanish colonization and before.

Jointly organised by: Australia Western Sahara Association

'Over the Border and Under the Radar: Providing Health Programs to Burmese Migrants in Thailand - A Case Study of one NGO'

Speaker: Matthew Clarke

When: Thursday, 23 August from 12pm

Where: The Arts Meeting Room (Building C, Level 2, Room C2.05.01), Burwood Research Room (ic2.316) Geelong Campus with Voice Point

Chair: Julien Barbara

'MDGs in the Asia-Pacific region' (TBC)

Speaker: Matthew Clarke

When: Thursday, 20 September from 12pm

Where: The Arts Meeting Room (Building C, Level 2, Room C2.05.01), Burwood campus
Research Room (ic2.316) Geelong Campus
with Voice Point

Chair: Julien Barbara

We welcome expression of interest in delivering a research paper at our seminar series. We especially encourage Deakin PhD students to contact RPA coordinator: citglob@deakin.edu.au.

Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific Seminar

'Conserving Malta's Built Heritage through Adaptive Re-use'

Speaker: Samantha Fabry, Heritage Enterprise

When: Thursday, 9 August, 4.30 – 6.00pm

Where: Blue Room (B2.20) Burwood

Not the Holocaust memorial: The Or-Sarua synagogue in Vienna

Speaker: Pamela MacLean, Senior Lecturer, School of History, Heritage and Society

When: Thursday, 23 August, 4.30 – 6.00pm

Where: Blue Room (B2.20) Burwood

'The construction and conception of Pre-Angkorean Temple Architecture'

Speaker: Sambit Datta and David Beynon,
School of Architecture & Building

When: Thursday, 6 September, 4.30 – 6.00pm

Where: Blue Room (B2.20) Burwood

'Reconstruction over Ruins: Arguments for and against the rebuilding of Dresden's Frauenkirche'

Speaker: Tony Joel, Deakin University
PhD Candidate

When: Thursday, 20 September, 4.30 – 6.00pm

Where: Blue Room (B2.20) Burwood

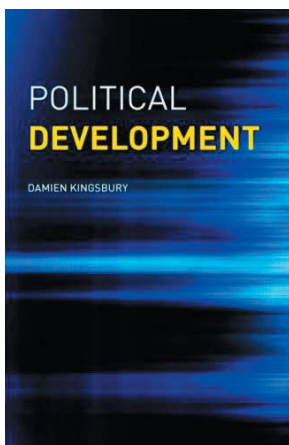
'Not the Holocaust memorial: The Or-Sarua synagogue in Vienna'

Speaker: Pamela MacLean, Senior Lecturer,
School of History, Heritage and Society
When: Tuesday, 16 October, 4.30 – 6.00pm
Where: Blue Room (B2.20) Burwood

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Further information regarding the CHCAP seminars, please  
contact CHCAP coordinator, [chcap@deakin.edu.au](mailto:chcap@deakin.edu.au)  
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Readings Books, Music & Film presents

**Australian Institute of
International Affairs
Discussion Night**



**Monday 13 August, 6.00 pm
Jon Faine & Dr Damien Kingsbury**

Popular ABC 774 Radio presenter Jon Faine will introduce Political Development by Dr. Damien Kingsbury from Deakin University (Routledge, 2007). Kingsbury's book addresses debates about good governance and institution building, arguing that real political development goes to the core social and political issues of transparency and accountability. In all of the current discussion about the war on terrorism, prospects for democratisation in regions such as the Middle East and the need for good governance if real progress in development is to be achieved, political development is one key topics of our age.

Join us for another lively discussion.

Readings Carlton
309 Lygon Street. Free. No bookings required.

The Centre for Citizenship and Human Rights (CCHR)
and
The City of Darebin invite you to a

FORUM

**Afghanistan 2007: Women
liberated or a continued
struggle for elusive human
rights?**

with Guest Speaker
Sohaila

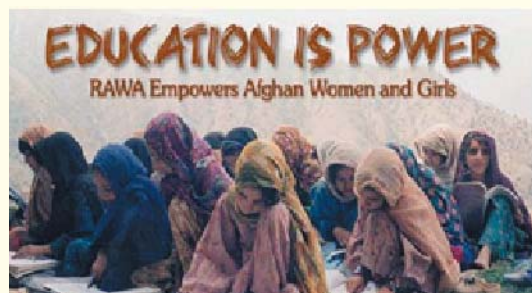
We hear little of Afghanistan in our media and we are led to believe all is well there. The US invaded Afghanistan in October 2001 with the promise to support democracy and women but some 6 years later life has changed little. Afghans are suffering and Sohaila will provide current information of life in Afghanistan under occupation and the ongoing plight of Afghan women that our media fails to report

6.30 pm Tuesday 14 August 2007
(Refreshments to follow talk)

Sohaila, from RAWA (the Revolutionary Association of the Women of Afghanistan) is in Australia as the keynote speaker at the Coalition for a Feminist Agenda's Townsville conference, July 17 – 20, 'Women of Ideas: Feminist Thinking for a New Era' and is then on a speaking tour around Australia until early August providing news of Afghanistan that is often overlooked here.

**@ Darebin Town Hall, 350 High Street,
Preston**

Please RSVP to
Email cchr@deakin.edu.au
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*An International Eco
Community Conference*

Ecology and Community Development

People and places in a changing world

How community development engages
the need for change to meet ecological
sustainability

A three day conference to be held in Melbourne
26,27,28 March 2008

At a time when there is a growing concern about changing environmental conditions and the effect on communities, a conference of this nature is timely. Community Development can provide alternate pathways through new theoretical paradigms and creative responses about how we view our place on this fragile planet. By critiquing the government and mainstream inaction/denial we can lead the way towards solutions for preventing global warming.

There will be two streams to the conference, academic papers and community workshops & forums - these streams will run concurrently

Academic papers:

The academic section of the conference will explore the contemporary contexts of community development, including conceptual and theoretical advances and social, cultural, political and economic settings.

Papers should canvass the need for radically shifting paradigms in the context of the tipping point of contemporary society. This includes theoretical, strategic and community approaches to climate change and other contemporary environmental issues.

We welcome submission of 'Abstracts' (word length 200 - 300 words) focused on the conference topic Ecology and Community Development within the themes below, and submitted by (extended to 31 October 2007) to aok@deakin.edu.au (all academic abstracts and papers will be blind peer refereed for possible publication)

Workshops:

Workshops will provide an opportunity for exchange of theories, ideas and actions relating

to the themes below.

If you wish to present at and/or facilitate a workshop, please email an expression of interest to aok@deakin.edu.au by (extended to 31 October 2007), stating your interest/workshop topic and a brief description.

Themes:

Community Development & Housing: cooperative, rural and metropolitan, community activism for energy efficiency, community gardens

Community Development & Urban Renewal: changing/greening cities, restoring neighbourliness, green transport

Community Development & Food Sovereignty/Relocalisation: food and resource production (carbon neutral communities / restoring local/cooperative activities and local economies and water issues)

Community Development & Rural /Regional Issues: carbon offset actions/ reforestation, bioregional action, green corridors, forest action, land care, water action, critiques and efficiency

Community Development & Globalisation: developing countries and climate change issues; rapidly developing economies, energy demands and the impact of climate change upon the poorest countries; climate change refugees, water issues, fair (and green) trade issues

Community Development: Responding to disasters: effective community development responses to natural and socio/political disaster. Ensuring sustainable international aid programs. What can community development offer?

Community Development and Building Social Movements: networking across differences, making local/global links eg zero emissions, aid development and carbon emissions, emerging climate change action groups

[www.deakin.edu.au/arts/cchr/
conferences_seminars.php](http://www.deakin.edu.au/arts/cchr/conferences_seminars.php)

Ph: 03 5227 2113/ 03 9244 6274

The Centre for Citizenship & Human Rights, Deakin University in conjunction with Borderlands Co-Operative & the International Assoc. of Community Development (local network) presents

Second Biennial Conference of the International Global Ethics Association

Hosted by the Faculty of Arts, Deakin University Melbourne
26 - 28 June, 2008
Melbourne, Australia

Conference Theme
"Questioning Cosmopolitanism"

Today we live in a globalised world with consequent pressures on international relations and diplomacy. Every individual in advanced industrial societies is not only a citizen of their state but, in a sense, also of the world. Accordingly, our ethical responsibilities extend beyond borders in a way that was seldom considered by writers in the classical Western tradition of ethics. Today we all have a part to play in addressing problems of global governance, management of the environment, maintenance of peace, equitable global distribution of social goods and resources, humanitarian assistance, intercultural tolerance and understanding, and the protection of human dignity around the world. Cosmopolitanism says that the moral standing of all people is equal. One should not give preference to one's compatriots, co-religionists, demographic identity groups, generational groups, or gender. Is this an adequate basis for Global Ethics?

Sub-themes

Any of the many problems in global ethics which are of concern to cosmopolitan thinkers could be discussed within the problematic of cosmopolitanism. These include:

- The global environment
- Identity politics
- Multiculturalism
- Religion and 'the clash of civilizations'
- Globalisation
- Global justice
- Immigration and refugee policy
- Human rights and responsibilities
- Global poverty and wealth
- War, armed conflict and terrorism
- Humanitarian intervention
- Governmental aid policies
- The moral status of nation-states and of sovereignty
- The ethics of world governance
- International non-government organizations
- The responsibilities of transnational business corporations
- Economic development ethics
- The ethics of missionary activity
- Cultural rights and the concept of a 'people'
- Intercultural dialogue
- Pacifism and non-violent international relations

Call for Papers

The organisers invite philosophers, ethicists and theorists of international law, political science, political philosophy, economics, development studies, and international relations to submit papers in which philosophical research engages with any of the above issues. Diverse philosophical approaches and methodologies are welcome and the theme can be broadly interpreted.

It is envisaged that there will be one hour sessions with papers of about 5000 words, and half hour sessions with papers of less than 3000 words. As well, you will be able to indicate whether you would like your paper to be refereed and to be part of a refereed publication. There will also be poster sessions, and a special post-graduate student colloquium, submissions to neither of which will be refereed.

- Standard papers should be of about 5000 words with a 300 word abstract. Initial submissions may be of the abstract only.
- Short papers should be of about 3000 words with a 250 word abstract. Initial submissions may be of the abstract only.
- Abstracts and papers should be submitted to the Organising Committee with a clear indication as to whether they are for the refereed or non-refereed track.
- Refereed track papers are to be submitted consistently with the Author Guidelines of the Journal of Global Ethics
- Abstracts and full papers received by May 23rd, 2008 will be published in a Conference Proceedings CD rom distributed to conference participants and given an ISBN number so as to count as a valid academic publication.
- Selected papers from the refereed track will also be published in a volume edited by Stan van Hooft and Wim Vanderkerckhove and published by Springer.
- Authors should submit a short biographical note of no more than 100 words with their abstract or paper.
- Small groups of scholars wishing to present panel discussions are welcome to make proposals.
- Poster presentations are welcome and a poster session will be scheduled in the conference.
- Graduate students are especially encouraged to attend. A special session with short paper presentations of about 1000 words from graduate students will be moderated by a panel of scholars experienced in higher degree supervision.
- Abstracts and papers should be forwarded to the conference convenor via email at igea-conf@deakin.edu.au

• In order to assist participants with funding applications, responses to proposals will be made as soon as practicable after submission, and by March 31st, 2008 at the latest.

Final date for submissions of all abstracts and proposals:
1 March, 2008

Further details: igea-conf2008@deakin.edu.au

<http://www.deakin.edu.au/arts/icg/igea08conf/index.php>

Upcoming Events Others

RMIT Global Cities Institute Forums 2007

Urban Infrastructure Program: Projects in Shanghai
Malcolm Smith (ARUPS, London)
Thursday 2 August

Research Opportunities in Vietnam
Michael Mann (President, RMIT Vietnam)
Tuesday 21 August

For more information: frank.yardley@rmit.edu.au

Urban 45: New Ideas for Australia's Cities

Thursday 16 August

**Village Roadshow Theatrette, State Library of Victoria
(Entry 3), La Trobe Street**

Urban 45 is a unique and exciting opportunity for policy makers, planners, academics, researchers and all those interested in the future of our cities to participate in a forum focusing on fifteen key policy issues introduced by a panel of national experts. This event will provide practical solutions to our urban issues while generating significant public and political policy debated in the run up to the federal election.



Speakers include Professor Paul James (Director, Global Cities Institute) and Michael Lennon (Disability Housing Trust, Victoria).

Registration 8.30am for 9.30am start to 5.30pm

For more information: urban45@rmit.edu.au

Conference on Democracy, Development and Civil Society in India

**20-21st September 2007)
The University of Melbourne**

In 2007 India is celebrating its sixtieth year of independence. One of its most notable achievements is the endurance of its democratic institutions despite internal and external challenges to its democratic governance. As this multicultural state with over a billion people picks up pace at the start of the 21st century, international scepticism about its economic and political prospects is giving way to optimism about its future and increasing intellectual curiosity about its democratic developmental experience.

This conference will address some of the challenges facing India and provide a forum for debating its unique democratic development with local and international speakers. It aims to go beyond discussions of procedural democracy and provide fresh perspectives by examining ways in which more inclusionary forms of democratic participation and development might be obtained.

Sessions:

- Interrogating Democracy and Secularism
- Governance and The State
- Multiple Locations of Civil Society
- Development and Environmental Governance
- Democracy and Territorial Challenges in the North-East State and Civil Society
- Media and Democracy
- Neo-Liberalism, Markets and the Marginalised

Keynote Speakers

Prof. Akhil Gupta, University of California, Los Angeles
Prof. Niraja G Jayal, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi
Prof. Robin Jeffrey, Australian National University, Canberra
Prof. Shalendra D Sharma, University of San Francisco, California

Conference Registration

Before 7 August 2007 (Early Bird):

Regular Registration	AUS\$160
Student Registration	AUS\$80

Before 31 August 2007:

Regular Registration	AUS\$190
Student Registration	AUS\$110

Registration fee includes light lunches, morning and afternoon

teas, and conference proceedings on a CD-ROM.

Further information: Ms Holly Cole
Email: h.cole@pgrad.unimelb.edu.au
Website: <http://www.social-environmental.unimelb.edu.au/DDC-Scconference/index.html>

Pluralism, Inclusion & Citizenship: 3rd Global Conference

**16 -18th November 2007
Salzburg, Austria**

This inter- and multi-disciplinary project seeks to explore the new developments and changes of the idea of pluralism and the implications those have for social and political processes of inclusion and citizenship in contemporary societies. The project will also assess the larger context of major world transformations, for example, new forms of migration and the massive movements of people across the globe, as well as the impact and contribution of globalisation on tensions, conflicts and the sense of acceptance, rootedness and membership.

Call for papers. Papers are welcome from all disciplines, professions and vocations which struggle to understand what it means for people, the world over, to be a citizen in rapidly changing national, social and political contexts. 300 word abstracts should be submitted by **Friday 10th August 2007**.

Further information: rf@inter-disciplinary.net
Website: www.inter-disciplinary.net/ati/diversity/pluralism/pl3/cfp.html

The 8th Conference of the Asia Pacific Sociological Association

**19 to 21 November 2007
Penang, Malaysia**

Rapid globalisation, coupled with economic liberalization and financial deregulation, has opened-up the economics of the Asia Pacific region. Increasing wealth generation is heralded as a sign of great personal and notional success, while large numbers of people remain marginalised in poor paying a insecure jobs. Youth are under extreme pressures in terms of successful education and gaining secure employment. The media glorifies the consumer revolution, and we see increasing use of new technologies which are changing forever the very fabric of work, family life, health and culture in the countries of the Asia Pacific. The region is seemingly now more integrated, with unprecedented levels of tourism, migration, and economic and cultural linkages. But, are the nations of the region, and their populations, becoming more divided, united or are they fundamentally unchanged over the past two decades?

This conference aims to explore the various dimensions of the rapid social transformation of the Asia Pacific. Papers that empirically or theoretically address the themes of social transformation, in its diverse forms, are particularly welcome.

Sections:

Theory Formation
Media, Culture and Identity
Globalisation
Class and Inequality
Cities and Regions
Gender Relations
Environment and Society
Families and Household
Work and Labour
Social Stratification, Poverty and Inequality
Welfare States and Social Policy
Border Studies
Education
Others

Deadline for abstract submission : **30 June 2007**

Website: <http://www.capstrans.edu.au/resources/conferences/2007/conferences-2007-apsa.html>

Political Economy of International Organizations

**Sunday 3 to Friday 8 February 2008
Monte Verità, Switzerland**

The conference aims at bringing together economists and political scientists working on the political economy of international organizations, in particular the UN, the IMF, the World Bank, the WTO and the EU. It will deal with questions of the institutional structure of these organizations, their impact on the incentives of the international bureaucracy, and the effects of these incentives on policy outcomes and administrative efficiency.

Moreover, incentives of other political actors interacting with these institutions will be considered, in particular individual governments, commercial lobbies and NGOs. Related to this, there will be a discussion on the relationship between the policy of international organizations and the political economy within individual countries. Finally, it will also be considered to what extent the expansion of the field of activities of some organizations or the introduction of new international organizations challenges other already existing ones, which new incentives arise out of this situation and how individual organizations react to this challenge.
After an initial session on general political economy issues

relevant for all international organizations alike, particular sessions will be held to discuss each of the organizations individually. In this context, one major aspect will be the assessment of the interaction of these organizations with developing countries, from the representation of their interest within these organizations to the impact of the organizations' policies on their national political economies.

Deadline for abstract submission: **31 July 2007**.

For more information: www.cis.ethz.ch/events/PEIO

Conference on Educational Renewal and School Development in an Era of Cultural Diversity

**16 to 19 May 2008
Wuhan, China**

The Conference on Educational Renewal and School Development in an Era of Cultural Diversity will offer participants

- a first hand look at teacher education (including reform/response of teacher education to the conference theme, school partnerships, and international teacher education initiatives),
- an opportunity to build collaborative networks and partnerships to understand and lead school improvement, and
- insight into the leadership dimension so critical for education reform in an era of cultural diversity.
- an opportunity to engage in a dialog examining social, economic and individual equity issues through the framework of curriculum redesign and instructional improvement.

Deadline for abstracts/proposals: **1 October 2007**

Website: <http://ceps.georgiasouthern.edu/conted/EdRSD.html>

Exploring Cultural Perspectives

**11 to 15 June 2008
Antalya, Turkey**

The objective of this five-day international conference — June 11- 15, 2008 — presented by the International Cultural Research Network and hosted by the Faculty of Political Science of Ankara University is to discuss the practicalities of theories that are applied to culture.

Enquiries: arlette@icrn.ca

Website: <http://www.icrn.ca>

Recent Events

Book Launch: *East Timor: Beyond Independence*

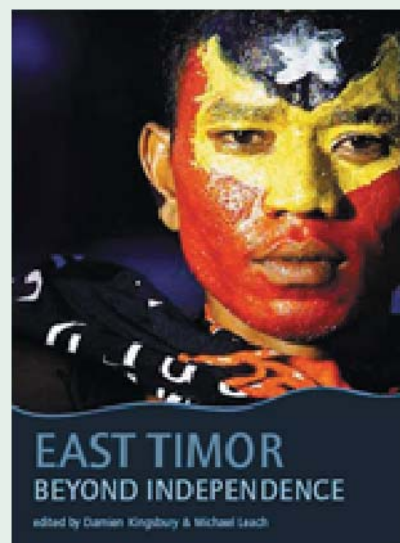
East Timor: Beyond Independence, edited by A/Prof. Damien Kingsbury and the RPA research fellow, Dr. Michael Leach was launched by Mr. Kevin Bailey, Honorary Consul for Timor-Leste, Victoria on the 18th of May and in Dili on 28 June by Aurelio Guterres, Vice-Rector of the National University of Timor Lorosa'e. The book was published by Monash Asia Institute Press.

Book description:

This is the most comprehensive study of East Timor since independence, examining the major themes of development, borders and security, politics and justice, resource and land management, education, and language policy. Though the country was initially lauded as a case study in successful state-building, the crisis of 2006 demonstrated that East Timor had more in common with other post-colonial, post-conflict societies than some of these earlier optimistic assessments suggested.

East Timor continues to attract the interest and attention of governments, scholars, development institutions and aid workers as a society rebuilding itself after almost a quarter of a century of profound trauma, and consecutive eras of colonialism

Covering the era from the independence referendum in August 1999 to the political crisis in 2006, and future prospects and challenges, this book is an invaluable resource for understanding the challenges facing the first new nation of the 21st century.



This book is available from the Monash University Bookshop or purchased from amazon.com.

Research Activities Mid May- Mid July

Recent Grants:

Dr Phil Connors and Emma Sherry (B&L) received a Faculty Grant through Business and Law to continue their work with the Street Socceros in the lead up to this year's Homeless World Cup in Copenhagen.

A/ Prof. Fethi Mansouri received a grants from Scanlon Foundation for a research project: 'Cultural Diversity – An Educational Advantage'.

Refereed Journal Articles:

Clarke, M. and Lawn, P. (2007), 'Comparing Australia's Genuine Progress to its Economic Growth Performance, International Journal of Green Economics, Vol. 1(3/4), pp. 513-531.

Devlin-Glass, F. (2007), 'Joyce, Bloomsday, and Diasporic Identity: A Report from Melbourne' in New Hibernia Review, vol.11, no.2, pp.142-55.

Feeny, S. and Clarke, M. (2007), 'What Determines Australia's Responses to Emergencies and Natural Disasters', in Australian Economic Review, Vol. 40(1), pp. 24-36.

Hans Löfgren 'Reshaping Australian drug policy: the dilemmas of generic medicines policy' (editorial) Australia and New Zealand Health Policy 2007, 4:11.

Hans Löfgren 'The global biopharma industry and the rise of Indian drug multinationals: implications for Australian generics policy' Australia and New Zealand Health Policy 2007, 4:10.

Research Reports:

Clarke, M., Fry, T. and Mihajilo, S. (2007), 'Aid Allocation and Volatility to Small Island States', in WIDER Research Paper No. 2007/18, WIDER/UNU, Helsinki.

Other publications:

Clarke, M. and McGillivray (2007), 'Human Development Dimensions and Data Constraints', Maitreyee, Harvard University, No. 8, pp. 5-9.

Clarke, M. (2007), 'Better Aid Means Better Support for NGOs', Policy Brief No. 9, Centre for Island Pacific Research and Development, Canberra, 2 July.

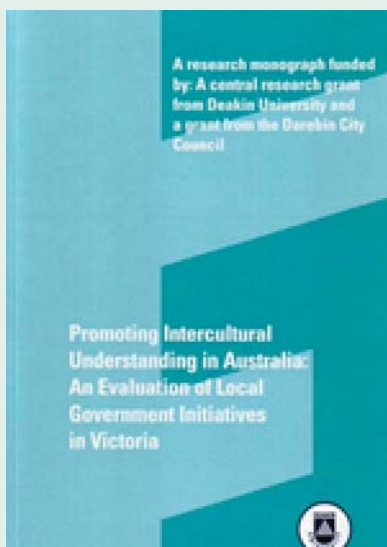
Clarke, M. (2007), 'Make Bill Clinton president again - of the

Book Launch: *Promoting Intercultural Understanding in Australia: An evaluation of local government initiatives in Victoria*

A launch of a research monograph, 'Promoting Intercultural Understanding in Australia: An evaluation of local government initiatives in Victoria' was held on the 27th of June at the Darebin City Council Chambers, Council Offices, 350 High Street Preston.

This research is a collaboration, between the City of Darebin and the Centre for Citizenship and Human Rights at Deakin to find ways that local government can help improve intercultural relations in Australian society, with particular emphasis on Muslim minorities.

The research was funded by a central research grant from Deakin university and a grant from the Darebin City Council. Authored by Fethi Mansouri, Sue Kenny and Carol Strong, published by Deakin University 2007.



To order a copy, please contact Anne O'Keefe, CCHR,
<aok@deakin.edu.au>

CCRU Forums

CCRU hosted a forum "Bringing the Latest Research on Pokies Problem Gambling to the Courtroom: The Implications for Criminal Pleas on Gambling", in partnership with Public Interest Law Clearing House (PILCH) on June 20, hosted by Clayton Utz. Collins Street, Melbourne.

Speakers included:

Dr. Charles Livingston, Monash University
Tim Falkiner, Barrister
A/Prof. Linda Hancock.

World Bank', The Canberra Times, p. 11, 21 May.

Devlin-Glass, Frances, 2006, 'Book by three poets wins awards' in TÁIN, The Australian Irish Network, No.44, p.32.

Devlin-Glass, Frances, 2007, 'Aine Szymanski: carrier of many torches', in TÁIN, The Australian Irish Network, No.45, pp.34-5.

Media Coverage:

Dr Phil Connors:

had an interview on Pulse Community Radio regarding Drug Policy in Geelong and Drug Action Week On 12th June.

had an interview with Geelong Advertiser on Vic Govt grant of \$100,000 to the Geelong Drug Action Plan Committee on 29th June .

A/Prof. Frances Devlin-Glass:

had one-hour radio interview on Bloomsday, Irish Program, 27 May 07, 6-7pm and 10-minute interview on Bloomsday for Curtain Up, 3CR, 13 June, 1pm.

was interviewed by Radio National (ABC) for Australia Talks (6-7pm) on the continuing relevance of Myth in the modern world (in relation to Alexis Wright's Carpentaria, Joyce and feminist myth, on 20 June 07).

A/ Prof. Linda Hancock was interviewed for/ commented on:

Research News: May ed. Journal of the Australian Market and Social Research Society (pp. 12-14) www.amsrs.com.au

the Howard Government citizenship test for 3RRR News on 18 May

by 3RRR news and SBS News regarding Responsible Gambling Awareness Week (May 21-27) on 21 May.

by Tim Cox with IPA's John Roskam on ABC Radio National Weekly Media on 6 July

A/Prof. Damien Kingsbury as in-country coordinator of the Victorian Local Governance Association observer mission to the East Timor parliamentary elections, did interviews with:

SBS TV news
SBS Radio News
ABC TV news
ABC AM

A/Prof. Fethi Mansouri was interviewed by:

National Radio News, regarding 'prompting intercultural understanding at the local government level' on 28 June

Victor Sobrell, SBS Radio, on 'new forms of racism in post 9/11 Australia' on 28 June

Brigid Ennis, Melbourne Times: 'Launch of report on intercultural relations and local governance'. 22 June

Heather Gallagher, Northcote Leader: 'Launch of report on intercultural relations and local governance on 22 June

Dr Michael Leach published the following opinion pieces:

'Division in Timor needs to be healed'. The Canberra Times, July 6.

"Xanana Factor" the key to stability in East Timor'. The Canberra Times, June 27.

'Challenges ahead for the next government of East Timor'. Online Opinion, 27 June. <http://www.onlineopinion.com.au/view.asp?article=6029>

Dr Jonathan Sweet was interviewed by Robin Usher for a feature in The Age newspaper about Museum Victoria, and in particular about the reappointment of CEO Dr Patrick Green (The Age A2 26/05/07).

Dr Andrew Vandenberg published a newspaper article: Blair Switch: Is Rudd our answer to New Labour? Geelong Advertiser, Friday 22nd June 2007, p. 25

Dr Andrew Vandenberg was interviewed on 15th May and on 2nd July by Denis Scanlon (94.7 The Pulse, FM radio station Geelong) about opinion polls.

Dr Lucas Walsh was interviewed by journalist Matt Khoury for a story published the Sydney City Hub on the 'homeless populations' lack of participation in the democratic process in June.

Dr Lucas Walsh's findings on e-democracy were cited in Commonwealth Parliamentary Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters report "Civics and Electoral Education", May 2007.

Public Engagements/ Lectures:

Dr Michael Leach was an invited panelist for the public seminar, Timor-Leste's Political Parties and the 2007 Elections, Australian Catholic University, Fitzroy, 7 June.

Dr Jonathan Sweet was an invited panelist on 'ethics and curatorial practice' at the national conference of the National Touring Exhibition Service (NETS), held at the National Gallery of Victoria and the Ian Potter Gallery, at the University of Melbourne (29/06/07).

Other News:

A/ Prof. Stephen Alomes become Vice-President of the Contemporary European Studies Association of Australia.

A/Prof. Frances Devlin-Glass was the Bloomsday Festival Convener and Principal scriptwriter of *Jejune Jesuit*, for Bloomsday 2007, *Joyce and the Jesuits*, Newman College, 16 June 2007. Performed twice to sellout audiences.

A/ Prof. Damien Kingsbury lead the Victorian Local Government Association observer group to East Timor's parliamentary elections. The VLGA observer program, which has more than 50 volunteer election observers, has been supported by the Federal Government, with Defence Minister Dr Brendan Nelson agreeing to provide free RAAF air transport to and from East Timor. Dr Nelson said he regarded support for the VLGA observer project as an important contribution to East Timor's developing democracy. June '07

Dr Lucas Walsh was invited to become a member of the Editorial Board on the new international journal of Information and Communication Technologies and Human Development. Hershey, PA: IGI Global.

Dr Lucas Walsh was invited to become a member of the Editorial Review Board on the International Journal of E-Government Research (IJEGR). Hershey: Idea Group Publishing.

Visiting Reserchers

Centre for Citizenship and Human Rights (CCHR)

Visiting Research Fellow Dr Eliyani has been invited to Deakin University for a three month period for the purpose of engaging with staff of the Centre for Citizenship and Human Rights (CCHR) and Citizenship and Globalisation research priority area within the Faculty of Arts. As a delegate from Mercu Buana University, Jakarta, Dr Eliyani will observe the various components of a functioning research centre and conduct interviews with staff within CCHR (and other areas) as a prelude to establishing a research centre within her own university.

Cultural Heritage Centre for Asia and the Pacific (CHCAP)

Professor Marie-Theres Albert of Brandenburg University of Technology, Cottbus, Germany, visited CHCAP in late July. Prof. Albert joined CH&MS Masters students and staff of collaborating universities on the Sharing Our Heritages master classes held in Kakadu in mid-July. This was followed by a presentation of a paper at the Australia ICOMOS Conference "Extreme Heritage" held at James Cook University, in Cairns, 19-21 July.

Prof. Albert presented a paper entitled "Culture and Heritage in Times of Globalisation" at a CHCAP public forum on Tuesday July 24th.

Fieldwork Report

Dr Michael Leach was an international election observer for the Victorian Local Government Association in East Timor's parliamentary elections on June 30.

Dr Leach was in Dili conducting a survey of East Timorese tertiary student attitudes towards national identity. Using a modified version of the International Social Survey Programme module on National Identity (with permission), Dr Leach is currently completing a longitudinal study of changes since his initial survey work in 2002. The 2002 findings highlighted key nation-building challenges in the difficult cultural and linguistic legacies of consecutive colonial eras.



(Picture: Electoral officials prepare polling station in primary school, Vila, Atauro Island, Timor-Leste, June 30).

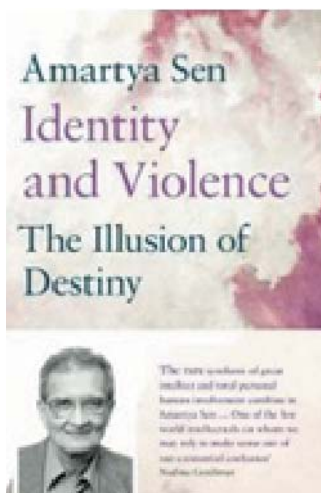
Book Review

Identity and Violence: The Illusion of Destiny by Amartya Sen (2006)

London: Allen Lane; New York: W.W. Norton, pp. 215 (including index and bibliography), Hardback ISBN 978-0-713-99938-9, Paperback ISBN 0-713-99938-1, AU\$39.95.

Reviewed by Stan van Hooft, Deakin University

Amartya Sen is a Nobel Laureate in economics and author of numerous books, who has introduced the concept of 'capabilities' into development economics. Rather than evaluate economic progress by such crude measures as GDP, Sen has argued that we should measure the degree of freedom that ordinary citizens are able to achieve in a given economic order through their being capable of pursuing lives of dignity and independence.



The present book, however, has a different focus. It responds to the way in which current international and domestic conflicts – especially those relating to terrorism – are couched in terms of clashes of identity or of 'civilisations'. He argues against the salience of block identities such as 'The West' by alluding to the debt that the European Renaissance owes to the Muslim and Chinese cultural traditions. But Sen's most persistent message, argued in a variety of social and historical contexts, is that identity is not a single all-embracing classification through which social actors can be understood or through which they should be encouraged to see themselves. Our identities are multiple. I might be a Catholic, an Australian, of Asian descent, female, a Collingwood supporter, and a Greens voter. None of these 'identities' imply any of the others and each interacts in complex ways to express itself in my behaviour. To suppose that I am predestined or morally obligated by any of them to act in a certain way is to ignore the all-important role of choice in my life.

In the same way, Muslim youths in Britain are not destined to be terrorists and it is a mistake for society to mediate

policies towards them through their religious leaders. Whatever their religious or ethnic identity, they are members of civil society and should be approached directly in that guise. A truly multicultural society is not a collection of monocultures living in social federation, but a society of equal citizens who have, alongside their common citizenship, a variety of other group identifications and cultural practices.

The 'solitarist illusion' breeds violence because it isolates individuals into groups in such a way that it is their membership of those groups which is valued more than their freedom to belong to them or not. It is possible to be a good Muslim and still be accepting of other religions, just as it is possible to be a good Indian and still barrack for the Pakistani cricket team against India. Sen supports his essentially modernist critique of communitarianism by using anecdotal examples that include his Cambridge-educated friends from the Indian sub-continent. But these are people who have broken out of their communities of birth. For traditionalists and fundamentalists the point is precisely that identity and the duties that flow from it are not a matter of choice.

While the book lacks the depth of philosophical anthropology necessary to resolve this quandary, it is written in an accessible style, makes eminent sense, and evinces a humanistic and cosmopolitan sensibility which is greatly needed in our troubled times.

Research Links/ Forums

The Australian Middle East Research Forum (AMERF)

is a cross-institutional, cross-disciplinary research forum focused on research into the Middle East from an Australian perspective. AMERF is a research network open to researchers and anyone interested in the region.

<http://www.deakin.edu.au/arts/icg/amerf/index.php>

Diaspora.fi is a resource for scholars working on religions in our globalising world. Details about current research, journals, new researchers in the field, new publications, funding, positions, conferences and other events are available.

<http://www.diaspora.fi/index.html>

The Refugee Studies Group (RSG) aims to facilitate interactions among researchers and refugee advocates to effect positive change in public debates and policies relating to refugees and asylum seekers. The RSG will make available online reports, publications and other relevant resources that might be of assistance to researchers working with refugees.

http://www.deakin.edu.au/arts/cchr/rsg/rsg_index.php

Invitation to Participate in the Citizenship and Globalisation RPA (Deakin Staff Only)

We invite both expressions of interest in the work of the RPA and applications from staff for support with relevant research projects over the next three months.

The Citizenship and Globalisation RPA has four research fellows and an administrative assistant to enhance the Faculty's efforts on grants, consultancies and publications in the area of Citizenship and Globalisation. To facilitate staff requests for work to be done by the research fellows and the administrative assistant, the RPA has established the following procedures and criteria for approving projects.

- All project work by the Research Fellows and the administrative assistant are to be approved by the RPA Project Group.
- All Academic members of the faculty staff would be eligible to apply.
- Each applicant to submit to the Chair:
 - (a) one page project application form, and
 - (b) the applicant (s)'s CV (s),

Project proposals would then be submitted to the Project Group, which would, where necessary, rank them on merit, according to the following criteria.

Project Criteria

Proposals ought to be oriented towards a substantial project in the general area of Citizenship and Globalisation, that requires work on :

- Organising, preparing and writing applications for grants, tenders or consultancies, including preliminary research for this purpose.
- Assisting with grant budgetings
- Conference or workshop organization leading to refereed publications or commercially published books.

Project applications form may be obtained by emailing citglob@deakin.edu.au. Please find a sample application form on page eight. Prospective applicants are encouraged to consult with the Chair A/ Prof. Fethi Mansouri, <fethi.mansouri@deakin.edu.au> or the Deputy Chair of the RPA, A/Prof. Andrea Witcomb, <andrea.witcomb@deakin.edu.au> about the relevance and suitability of the project before submitting a proposal.

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