Conference Program and Schedule

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BISA Postgraduate and Early Career Researchers Conference 2019

9th and 10th of April 2019
University of Portsmouth
Department of Politics and International Relations

Celebrating a Diversified and Pluralistic IR?
In Defence of Multiple Narratives of International Relations
2019 marks a significant milestone for the studies of International Relations and it is time to celebrate by reflecting on the century-long evolution of scholarly thinking and growing pluralism of disciplinary IR through creative, innovative and inclusive perspectives to encourage new ways of thinking for tackling world challenges.

Featuring as a Keynote Speaker
Professor Kimberly Hutchings

Professor Kimberly Hutchings is a distinguished figure in the study of Politics and International Relations. With her strong background in political philosophy and international theory, Professor Hutchings has, through her many influential publications and leading editorial roles in major IR and Politics journals, such as the Review of International Studies and the Journal of the British International Studies Association, influenced how we make sense of world politics, especially in the areas of international ethics, feminist philosophy, and international political theory, including her most recent book by Polity Press: Global Ethics: An Introduction (2nd Ed.) 2018. In 2015 she became the first recipient of the Distinguished Contribution Prize of the British International Studies Association (BISA) and was awarded in 2016 the Distinguished Scholar Award from the Theory Section of ISA.

The Panels are spread out throughout the two days according to 3 main themes:

**Theme 1:** Violence, Security and Conflict in IR.

**Theme 2:** Re-visiting Conventional IR Theories and Concepts: Towards a Global IR.

**Theme 3:** The Role of Transnational Connectivity and Civil Societies: IT, State & Non-State Actors and Regionalism.
**Day 1**

**Round of Panels 1**

**Theme 1: Theorizing Violence in IR**

*Chair: Emanuele Monaco*

‘Humanity Must Be Defended - Revisiting the History of Penal Humanitarianism’: **Olivia Nantermoz**, London School of Economics, UK.


‘Our (their) Female Drone Pilot and Their (our) Female Suicide Bomber: Rethinking Gender, Race and the Legitimacy of Killing and Dying’: **Rachel Zhou**, London School of Economics, UK.


**Theme 2: Metatheory for the Second Century of IR**

*Chair: Joanna Wood*


‘Bringing Ethics in: Pluralist IR, Incommensurability and World Politics’: **Dominik Giese**, Universität Hamburg, Germany and **Haro L. Karkour**, University of Leicester, UK.

‘Long-term Optionality as a Necessary Condition of Knowledge and Understanding within IR’: **Liam Devereux**, Jocelyn Hickey & Christopher Wheeler, Newcastle University, UK.

**Theme 3: Technology, Infrastructure, and Connectivity in IR**

*Chair: Tom Vaughan*

‘NHS Digital and Immigration Enforcement: Translating Health Vulnerabilities into Data to Secure Borders’: **Moisés Moreira Vieira**, University of Manchester, UK.

‘Global Nuclear Order and the Local Dynamics of Political Transition in South Africa’: **Tom Vaughan**, Aberystwyth University, UK.

‘Tourism, Empire, and Global Politics: Post-colonial Travel to the UK’: **Alice Engelhard**, London School of Economics, UK.

‘Communication Technology and Democracy in the Developing Countries - Case Study of India and Brazil’: **Kamna Tiwary**, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.
Round of Panels 2

**Theme 1: New Global (In)Securities**

*Chair: Oluwabamidele Kogbe*

‘Understanding the Construction of ‘threat’ in Securitization Theory from an Area-Studies Approach: A Case Study of Islam in France’: **Danielle Hayter**, University of Portsmouth, UK.

‘Understanding the Pedagogy of Religion Terrorism in International Studies from Postcolonial Perspective: A Case Study of the Thugs of India’: **Tusharika Deka**, University of Nottingham, UK.

“‘The Islamist Mafias’: A New Perspective on the Study of the Crime Terror Nexus’: **Luciano Pollichieni**, University of Nottingham, UK.


**Theme 2: International System, World Order: Histories and Futures**

*Chair: Olivia Nantermoz*

‘System, Society and International Order’: **Regan Burles**, University of Victoria, Canada.

‘Conceptualising Long-term and Short-term Time Perspectives in International Relations’: **Christopher Wheeler**, Newcastle University, UK.

‘The Commensurability of Cosmopolitanism and Conquest: What can William of Rubruck (1220-1293) Teach Us?’: **Duncan Weaver**, Easton and Otley College, UK.

‘Rewriting (rewritten) History: What Historical Women Tell Us About IR and Why Disciplinary History Still Matters?’: **Joanna Wood**, University of Sussex, UK.

**Theme 3: Diplomacy and Multilateralism**

*Chair: Christopher Wheeler*

‘Do Networks Matter? European Political Entrepreneurs and US Foreign Policy during WWII’: **Emanuele Monaco**, University of Bologna, Italy.

‘Bureaucratic Politics and Foreign Policy Mechanism: Eisenhower’s Policy towards Latin America from 1953 to 1955’: **Yu-Cheng TENG**, University of Birmingham, UK.

‘The Past, Present and Future of China’s Role in Climate Change Mitigation: A Role Theoretical Examination of Foreign Policy Change’: **Kim Vender**, University of Edinburgh, UK.
Day 2

Round of Panels 3

**Theme 1: New Directions for the Study of Conflict**

*Chair: Amandine Hostein*

‘The Politics of Greed: Unveiling the Power/Knowledge Nexus in Paul Collier’s Study of Conflict’: **Bernardino León Reyes**, London School of Economics, UK.

‘NATO Strategic Culture in Action’: **Silvia Maglione-Grant**, Aston University, UK.

‘Challenging Insecurity through Citizen-led Friendship Diplomacy’: **Lisa Gibson**, University of Nottingham, UK.

‘(De)Securitization Theory: The Origin of the Kurdish Question and the Politicization of Turkey’s Kurdish Policy During the Term of AK Party’s Rule’: **Tarik Ahmet Eken**, University of Dundee, UK.

‘Bringing Women’s Voices Back in: Gender and Oil Conflict in the Niger Delta’: **Zainab Mai-Bornu**, University of Bath, UK.

‘Revisiting Peace and Security Principles of the United Nations with Special Reference to the UN Peacekeeping Reforms’: **Banshanlang Marwein**, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India.

**Theme 2: Knowledge, Emotion, and (Post?) Truth in IR**

*Chair: Tom Watts*

‘The Truth Must be Defended?’ Alt-Right Conspiracies in Contemporary US’: **Lucy Thomas**, King’s College London, UK.

‘The Preservation and Destruction of the Official Record and Narrative Truth’: **Peter Finn**, Kingston University, UK.

‘Methodological Pluralism for the Study of Emotions in International Relations’: **Chaeyoung Yong**, University of St Andrews, UK.

**Theme 3: Rethinking Regionalism and its Implications for IR**

*Chair: Peter Finn*

‘Bringing the “Region” Back in to Understand International Relations: A New Reconciliation Attempt between International Relations and Area Studies’: **Amr Ellithy**, Middle East Technical University, Turkey.

‘Hermeneutic Interpretation of the Concepts of “Greater Eurasian Integration” in Russia’s EAEU and China’s OBOR’: **Kim Min Koel**, Moscow State Institute of International Relations, Russia.

‘Theorizing Regional Civil Society Actors in Comparative Regionalism: Reflections on ECOWAS and the EU’: **Oluwabamidele Ibrahim Kogbe**, University of Dundee, UK.

‘To What Extent do the EU’s Relations with the BSEC Foster a Dynamic of Pluralistic Regional Cooperation in the Black Sea Region?’: **Antony Horne**, University of Portsmouth, UK.
Round of Panels 4

Theme 2: Globalizing and Expanding IR: Origins, Openings, Obstacles

Chair: Kim Min Koel


‘The Values and Principle of China’s Belt and Road Initiative: A Study with Relationality, a Chinese IR Theory’: Lina LIU, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich, Switzerland.

‘Lost in Translation: Incorporating Indigenous Cosmovisions into the Discipline’: Maiken Gelardi, Aarhus University, Denmark.

‘Legitimation as Practice: Crafting Political Space in Tanzania’: Kathy Dodworth, University of Edinburgh, UK.

Theme 3: Advocacy, Activism, and Resistance in IR

Chair: Alexander Stoffel

‘Defying the Odds: NGOs as a Cornerstone for Transnationalising the Public Sphere’: Amandine Hostein, University of Portsmouth, UK.

‘What do we talk about when we talk about “Ethical Practice”?’: Marija Antanaviciute, Queen Mary University of London, UK.

‘Can Street Fundraising Put at Risk the Moral Capital of NGOs? Marketisation and Reflexivity in Human Rights and Advocacy Association in Italy’: Anna Reggiardo, University of Genoa, Italy.

‘Women’s Education in Iran and the Interpersonal Politics of International Social Change’: Joel Hanisek, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland.

Conference Location

The University of Portsmouth,
Department of Politics and International Relations,
Milldam Building, Burnaby Road,
Portsmouth PO1 3AS.
In Rooms LE0.01;0.02;0.03;0.04 and LE1.01
TBC on the 9th of April upon registration
Conference Schedule

Day 1 (9th of April)

8.30am to 9.30am: Registration Process + Breakfast Refreshments

9.30am to 9.45am: Welcome and Introduction from the BISA PGN

9.45am to 11.15am: Round of Panels 1
-Panel 1
-Panel 2
-Panel 3

11.15am to 11.30am: Coffee Break

11.30am to 1.00pm: Round of Panels 2
-Panel 1
-Panel 2
-Panel 3

1.00pm to 2.00pm: Lunch

2.00pm to 3.00pm: Workshop 1: “Planning Ahead for Post-Doc Opportunities and Teaching Fellowships”: Dr Ed Stoddard (University of Portsmouth), Dr Tom Watts (Royal Holloway, University of London) and Dr Katarzyna Kaczmarska (University of Aberystwyth)

3pm to 4.00pm: Workshop 2: “Preparing for Fieldwork: Considering Offline/Online Avenues and the Question of Ethics”: Dr Angela Crack (University of Portsmouth), Dr Katarzyna Kaczmarska (University of Aberystwyth), David Carpenter (University of Portsmouth)

4.00pm to 4.30pm: Coffee Break

4.30pm to 5.45pm: Keynote Address: Professor Kimberly Hutchings (Queen Mary University of London): in Milldam LE1.01

Wine Reception & 3MT Competition

At Aspex Gallery

6.00pm to 8pm


**Day 2 (10th of April)**

8.00am to 8.30am: Registration (No Refreshments/Breakfast provided)

8.30am to 10.00am: Round of Panels 3

- Panel 1
- Panel 2
- Panel 3

10.00am to 10.30am: Coffee Break

10.30am to 12.00am: Round of Panels 4

- Panel 1
- Panel 2

12.00 to 1.00pm: Workshop 3: “Beyond the PhD: Getting Ready for the REF”: **Professor Tony Chafer (University of Portsmouth)**

1.00pm to 2pm: Lunch

2.00pm to 3.00pm: Workshop 4: “Getting your First Article and Book Out There”: **Professor Andrew Dorman (International Affairs), Sarah Roughley (Palgrave Macmillan)**

3.00pm to 3.15pm: Break

3.15pm to 4.15pm: Workshop 5: “Building and Maintaining Network”: **Peter Finn (Kingston University)**

4.15pm to 4.30pm: BISA PGN Conclusions
Getting There

Arriving by Train
Either stop at Portsmouth and Southsea or Portsmouth Harbour, it takes around 8-10min walk from either station to the Conference location.

Arriving by Coach (National Express)
-Stop at the Hard Interchange (on the map, between Portsmouth Harbour and Gunwharf Quays) or University (on the map next to University Student’s Union)

Places to stay in the areas of City Centre/Southsea:
- Hotel Ibis on Winston Churchill Avenue
- Premier Inn, next to Portsmouth & Southsea Train Station
- Holiday Inn, in Gunwharf Quays
- Airbnb

Places to stay if you are looking for cheaper options (outside city centre):
- Ibis Budget in Fratton (25-35min walk to the Conference Location)
- Travelodge in Hilsea (north of the Island). Accessible by bus with First Hampshire Number 2,3 or 7. Alternatively, taxis will cost around £7.50 to £10 depending on the company. *Aquacars* is the main taxi company in Portsmouth, and usually the cheapest.