

Head of Department's Round-Up of the Year



The 2015-16 academic year has been an extremely busy and lively one, which has seen students and staff in the Department engage with a wide variety of pressing

issues of global politics.

The EU referendum has been at the forefront of many discussions in the Department and the subject of several public events. In a prescient public lecture, Lord William Wallace gave a talk entitled "Losing the Narrative: The United Kingdom and the European Union". Lord Wallace argued that the question of Britain's continued engagement with the European project would be decided not on the basis of weighing up relative economic gains and losses but on the way that British society feels about Europe. Early in semester two we held a round table discussion in the Department about Britain and the world, which included consideration of arguments for and against EU membership. Many of our students have been in the forefront of local campaigning on the referendum and were key participants in a debate on the subject held in the Students' Union. As you will see elsewhere in this newsletter, here in Aberystwyth we have had a lot of media attention as a result of the YouGov poll that showed Ceredigion as the most pro-Europe place in the UK, and academic staff (and students) in the Department have been interviewed and quoted extensively. The expertise of our academic staff is likely to be even more in demand as Britain enters

uncharted territory with the decision to leave.

The refugee crisis has also been prominent in our minds and well-represented in our activities during this academic year. It was the subject of our first round table discussion at the start of the academic year as well as the focus of the crisis simulations held at Gregynog Hall near Newtown. Students at the crisis simulations role played different actors involved in the refugee situation, whether the leaders of individual states or others such as the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees. Although the students did not reach a grand solution to the problem, they did come away with a greater appreciation of the complexities of the issue, the importance of (and challenges in achieving) cooperation and compromise, and the rush of adrenalin that comes from having to make important decisions under extremely tight time constraints.

A group of Aberystwyth University students, including two studying International Politics, translated their concern about the plight of refugees in Europe into practical action. They collected relief supplies such as sleeping bags, tents and clothing and crowd and delivered them to refugee camps in northern France. The students – who have adopted the name Aber2Calais for their collective actions – made a short documentary about their trip (available on YouTube by searching for Welcome to the Jungle Calais volunteering February 2016) and organised an event in the Department to talk to other students about their experiences.

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Head of Department's roundup continued ...

We are always keen to keep in touch with our alumni and to involve them in the life of the Department and in supporting current students. In the autumn a former student who has made a career in the UK civil service (holding posts in the Home Office, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and the Department of Health) joined students on Skype for a seminar to pass on her top tips for getting a job with the government. One of her pieces of advice was to participate in a crisis simulation, which she found to be excellent preparation for the demands, pressures and frustrations of working in the policy community!

Another group of alumni – Members of Parliament and Members of the Welsh Assembly – provide very practical support for current students by offering them work as interns. This summer Lee Waters AM, Mark Williams MP and Dan Jarvis MP are among those former students of the Department participating in our Parliamentary Placement Scheme.

Over the summer we will be welcoming two groups of students from other parts of the world. In July we will offer a summer schools to students from Thammasat University, one of the leading universities in Thailand, and will again be participating in the Fulbright Wales Summer Programme which brings university students from across the United States to spend six weeks travelling through and learning about Wales.

We are making plans to celebrate the centenary of the Department's founding in 2019. The formal launch of Centenary activities will happen in September 2016 with the entry of the first year undergraduates, who will graduate in 2019. We anticipate a full and varied programme that will allow us both to look back on achievements of the past and to look forward to the ways that staff and students at International Politics at Aberystwyth will continue to explore our endlessly fascinating subject.

Student-Led Teaching Success

The Department of International Politics is once again celebrating success in the student-led teaching awards which are hosted by the Students' Union with the support of the university.

Lucy Taylor (Winner) - Award for Excellence in Welsh-medium Education

Brieg Powel (Highly Commended) - Welsh Medium Teacher of the Year

Lucy commented:

"I am a Welsh learner – for about the last 15 years. I won the award for teaching through the medium of Welsh on my module Women in the 'Third World' – I also teach other modules in Welsh – Politics of Argentina, Gender and Sexuality in Latin America and Contemporary Latin America. Here's some quotes from me (but you'll have to get them translated!) "It is great to offer modules on less usual kinds of topics through the medium of Welsh. Students really appreciate the opportunity to talk about the world outside Europe through the medium of Welsh". "Because I am a learner sometimes I don't have words explain things, so the students help me to expand my vocabulary while I expand their knowledge – we have a lot of fun!". "I am so grateful to my Welsh-speaking colleagues for their unfailing help and encouragement – especially Gwenan Creunant who went out her way to provide translations and help. I couldn't have done it without their support."



Grant Award



Dr. Anwen Elias has just been awarded funding from Aberystwyth University's Research Fund for a new project on 'Territorial Politics in Times of Crisis: A Study of Spain'. The project

will examine the impact of the recent economic crisis on territorial debates in Spain.

Outer Space!



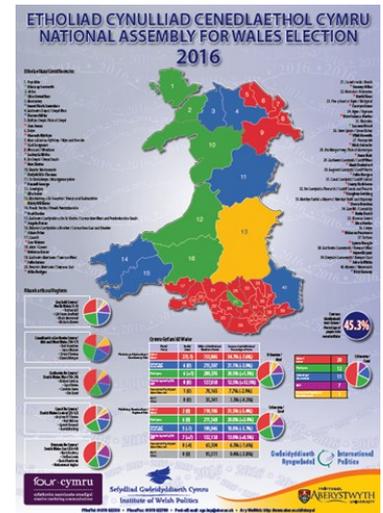
The latest issue of Planet: The Welsh Internationalist (221, Spring 2016) features an article written by Dr Bleddyn Bowen, a Teaching Fellow at the Department of International Politics, about the Welsh space industry and the challenges of future planning for Welsh and UK-wide space policy in the context

of constitutional and devolutionary uncertainty.

National Assembly for Wales Election 2016

Election time is always a busy one for the member of the Institute of Welsh Politics, and the few weeks around the 2016 Assembly Election were no different.

- A Hustings Event was organised in the Morlan Centre on the 18th April, where Ceredigion constituency candidates were all invited to present their manifesto and respond to questions from the audience. The lively debate was expertly chaired by Sara Gibson from BBC Cymru Wales.
- IWP members led a informative event in the Main Hall of the Department of International Politics and 2 podcasts were recorded to share insights leading up to the Election and following the results.
- Dr Elin Royles was one of the guest commentators on S4C on the night of the election itself, and she and other members of staff were seen and heard on various election programmes and debates during the campaign.
- A well-attended public seminar was organised on the 26th of May, where Professor Roger Scully from the Welsh Governance Centre was invited back to the department to give his views on 'What Happened in the 2016 Election ... and Why?'
- The IWP, with the support of Four Cymru, have once again produced an Election Map, depicting the results in the constituencies and regions of Wales. These maps have been distributed to AMs, MPs, schools, local authorities, and hundreds of interested individuals. If you would like to receive a copy, please e-mail sgc.iwp@aber.ac.uk.



In or Out?

On June 13th 2016, the Institute of Welsh Politics hosted a roundtable debate on 'The UK's Membership of the EU: In or out?' Co-organised with the Economic and Social Research Council's UK in a Changing Union research programme, the event provided an opportunity for the public to discuss the forthcoming EU referendum with academic experts, including InterPol's Alistair Shepherd and civil society organisations, ahead of the vote on 23 June 2016.



EU Referendum in the Media

Ceredigion's position as the most pro-European authority in the UK in a YouGov poll has attracted considerable media attention in the run-up to the European Referendum. Consequently, a number of members of staff in the department have contributed to UK and European media outlets. They include Dr. Elin Royles appearing on the BBC Radio 4 PM programme and Fakty the news programme of TVN, one of Poland's major television networks, Dr Anwen Elias contributed to a Deutsche Welle international broadcast and Dr Alistair Shepherd was interviewed for EenVandaag, a Dutch TV news channel.

Two members of the IWP, Dr Elin Royles and Dr Catrin Evans have travelled to different parts of Wales from Menai Bridge to Pontypool to Flintshire undertaking outreach work in schools, sixth form colleges and at the Urdd Eisteddfod to engage students in discussions regarding the 2016 National Assembly for Wales election and the European Referendum. They had a fantastic response with pupils keen to gain further information regarding these two important events and eager to engage in discussion on political issues.



“Britain and the League: all queasy over Europe?”

Quincy Cloet, 1st Year PhD student has published a historical reflection on the British EU referendum titled “Britain and the League: all queasy over Europe?”. For the online magazine Lacuna, he writes about Britain's past and present relationship with Europe. Cloet highlights how Britain's failure to actively engage with its European counterparts explains the eventual breakdown of intra-European cooperation during the inter-war period. This serves as a stark warning for Britain in 2016. (<http://lacuna.org.uk/politics/britain-and-the-league-all-queasy-over-europe/>)

'Globetrotting'



In May Dr Patrick Finney delivered a talk entitled 'Predictions, Balance Sheets and Prospects: The Future of International History' at the University of Edinburgh as part of a two day workshop on Researching International History.

In April, Dr Elin Royles and Dr Anwen Elias were invited to speak at an international conference in Portugal entitled "Stateless Nations: new challenges, new opportunities" co-organised by the Centre Maurits Coppieters, the University of Minho (Portugal) and of the University of Santiago of Compostela (Galicia, Spain). The conference focused on the current state of trends in political accommodation and separation in the cases of Spain and the UK. Dr Royles' contribution focused on the dynamics of devolution in Wales, with Dr Elias discussing the territorial autonomy demands in Catalonia.

In May, Dr Andrew Davenport attended the final workshop of a two-year research project in which he has been involved, entitled 'The Current Conjuncture in World Affairs'. This is a joint project between the School of Global Studies at Sussex University and the Department of Development Sociology at Cornell University, focusing on conjectural analysis and how to determine and interpret the specificity of the contemporary moment in world politics. The outcome of the work of the project is intended to be a journal special issue, bringing together the various papers. Full details of the project can be found at: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/global/research/researchprojects/sussex-cornell/researchprojects>



On 7 June 2016, Dr. Anwen Elias, together with Professor Richard Gillespie (Liverpool University) organised a workshop on the topic 'Transforming Politics in Spain: Local, Regional and State-wide Perspectives'. Supported by the University Association for Contemporary European Studies, the workshop brought together academics and practitioners to discuss the way in which Spain's economic, political and territorial crises are transforming politics in the country.

On 4th June Professor Martin Alexander gave a paper entitled 'Beyond the Verdun Ossuary: French Army Command and Combat in 1916' at the Welsh Front Association Annual President's Conference in Birmingham



On May 6-7 Quincy Cloet, 1st Year PhD student co-organised the UACES Student Forum Research Conference at the University of Kent (Brussels). The conference was titled "United or Divided We Stand?" and dedicated to Europe's simultaneous, complex and wide-ranging challenges related to refugees, the Eurozone crisis and the risk of disintegration. During the conference, Quincy Cloet addressed an audience of postgraduate students and spoke about opportunities to publish new research in the field of European

Professor Richard Beardsworth has given a number of papers in the UK and overseas on Political Responsibility including the International Studies Association in Atlanta where he presented a paper on 'Political Responsibility towards the Lesser Violence'.

On the 1st of April, Bleddyn Bowen featured as a guest to talk about his doctoral research on The Space Show, a U.S. radio talk show which discusses issues regarding space technology and exploration. Listen to the podcast here: <http://www.thespaceshow.com/show/01-apr-2016/broadcast-2676-richard-easton-dr.-bleddyn-bowen>. Bleddyn and The Space Show covered numerous topics such as space warfare, space power theory, space weapons, US leadership in crises, Iranian and North Korean missile, nuclear, and space programmes, and the importance of the political and strategic study of outer space.



Colin McInnes co-authored the Global Health Pathfinder document for InterAction Council's March plenary in Baku, which now informs the Council's agenda for global health. The IAC is a group of 42 former President's and Prime Ministers who use their experience and networks to act collectively to assist on matters of global concern. Its current Chairs are the former Taoiseach Bertie Ahern and the former President of Nigeria, Olusegun Obasanjo. Other members include Bill Clinton, John Major and Gro Harlem Brundtland. Colin McInnes is a member of their Expert Group on Global Health.

Comics Workshop as Research Tool

How can we research sensitive issues such as violence, marginalisation or oppression? How can we raise silent voices in contexts where taboos or fear keep people from speaking out? To answer these questions, an interdisciplinary pilot study by Dr Berit Bliesemann de Guevara and colleagues in psychology, language and communication research and migration studies at Cardiff University used a comics drawing workshop as an innovative and cultural-sensitive method to explore and disseminate the infertility experiences of ethnic minority women in Wales. 'The workshop was an amazing success, as the drawings took the role of discussion facilitator', Bliesemann de Guevara related. Among ethnic minority communities from developing countries infertility tends to have higher psychological, social and economic costs, such as social stigma or domestic violence, and talking openly about causes and solutions is seen as a taboo. 'Although knowing each other, our participants had never talked about their infertility or their encounters with British health care institutions before. No matter how talented, the drawings enabled all women to express their feelings, fears and hopes and encouraged them to share experiences and advice.' The team currently analyses the rich qualitative research data, which will not only feed into scholarly articles, but also a comics booklet and an exhibition. Bliesemann de Guevara expects that in international politics comics workshops will be useful as research method among vulnerable groups such as victims of violent conflict or refugees. The interdisciplinary pilot study is funded by the Welsh Crucible.



Propaganda 2.0: IS, Syria and the Digital Caliphate



In May, Professor Gary Rawnsley attended a conference on the current situation in the Middle East organised by the School of History at Northwest University in Xi'an, China. Professor Rawnsley delivered a presentation on Propaganda 2.0: IS, Syria and the Digital Caliphate. He also delivered lectures to undergraduate and postgraduate students on British propaganda in the Suez crisis, and the role of international communications in international relations. This followed his appearance on RT, Russia's international television service, when he was interviewed about revelations of a 'secret' organisation within the British government distributing propaganda among Muslim communities. Professor Rawnsley also gave a talk at the Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies, Nottingham University, on Taiwan's public diplomacy under President Ma Ying-jeou; his chapter, 'Reflections of a Soft Power Agnostic' was published in the edited collection, *China's Media and Soft Power in Africa* (Palgrave); and the special issue of *Media and Communication* he edited on *International Broadcasting and Public Diplomacy* was published.

Commissioning Editor on IR Theory

Alexandros Koutsoukis has just been chosen to be Commissioning Editor on IR Theory for the E-IR website (<http://www.e-ir.info/>). E-IR is the world's leading open access website for students and scholars of international politics, reaching 250,000 unique visitors per month. It features daily publications of unique content from established, and emerging, scholars and practitioners. Mr Koutsoukis will commission articles with a focus on conflict resolution and reconciliation, stable peace, and their relation with IR theories. The motto of E-IR is high quality free access scholarship 'with a sense of brevity'. The commissioned articles will be 2,000 words approximately and will appear on-line immediately.

Internment in Northern Ireland

On a recent fieldwork visit, Jenny Edkins visited two sites: the Crumlin Road Gaol and the Larne House Immigration Removal Centre. The former is a Victorian Prison, now a museum, where internees were held before the site at Long Kesh/Maze was established. The latter is a current and recently established IRC holding people detained for immigration reasons. The contrast is stark, but both are grim and forbidding sites. Professor Edkins is researching a new project entitled *Landscapes of Detention*, which aims to map current and historic places in the UK and former British colonies where people were detained without trial.



Crumlin Road Gaol

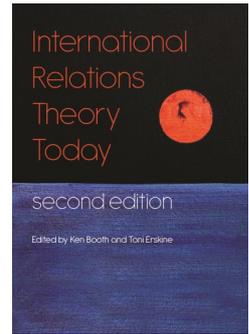
Bookshelf

'International Relations Theory Today' - Ken Booth

International Relations (IR) theorists speak with conviction, and frequently passion, to the global condition of human society. The result is an important, dynamic and often deeply divided field. This long-awaited new edition of *International Relations Theory Today* offers undergraduate and postgraduate students an essential guide to the complex terrain of IR theory and the key questions on its agenda.

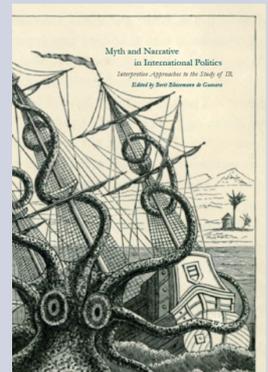
With chapters by twenty-three prominent and provocative IR theorists, the book reveals the intellectual excitement – and turmoil – of theorizing world politics. It reflects the conflicts and tensions around the profound challenges facing the contemporary world, such as climate change, globalization, nuclear proliferation, and both economic and political injustice and conflict, while also expressing hope that we can better understand, and respond to, these challenges.

Above all, this book demonstrates the significance of thinking theoretically about international relations and developing the tools not merely to describe but also to explain, analyse, prescribe and possibly reimagine the global political landscape. As the world comes face to face with historic challenges over the coming decades, *International Relations Theory Today* will help its readers to participate more effectively in debates about the most important global political dilemmas of our time.



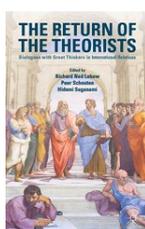
Myth and Narrative in International Politics

From the international community to warlords, from participation to effectiveness – international politics is replete with powerful narratives and commonly held beliefs that qualify as myths. Dr Berit Bliesemann de Guevara's new book systematically explores how different theoretical concepts of myth can be used to interpretively explore contemporary international politics. Rebutting the understanding of myth-as-lie, the collection of essays unearths the ideological, naturalising and depoliticising effects of myths as well as their constitutive, enabling and legitimising functions in international politics. The book gives guidance on how to make sense of different myth theories and how to employ them in order to explore the powerful collective imaginations and ambiguities that underpin international politics today. Case studies focus on specific myths in different fields of International Relations, including warfare, global governance, interventionism, development aid and statebuilding. The findings challenge conventional assumptions in International Relations, encouraging to rethink ideas that are widely held by policy and academic communities. Published by: Palgrave Macmillan, 2016, ISBN: 978-1137537515

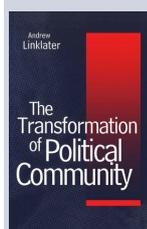


Interventions Book Series

Launched in 2009, the Interventions book series published by Routledge is now approaching its 100th volume. The series provides a forum for innovative and interdisciplinary work that engages with alternative critical, poststructural, feminist, postcolonial, psychoanalytic and cultural approaches to international relations and global politics. Edited by Professor Jenny Edkins at Aberystwyth and Professor Nick Vaughan-Williams at Warwick, recent publications include several written or edited by academics who graduated with PhDs or Masters from Aberystwyth: *Researching War: Feminist Methods, Ethics and Politics*, edited by Annick Wibben; Laura Routley's *Negotiating Corruption: NGOs, Governance and Hybridity in West Africa*; *Critical Imaginations in International Relations*, edited by Aoileann Ní Murchú and Reiko Shindo; and *Andreja Zevnik's Lacan, Deleuze and World Politics: Rethinking the Ontology of the Political Subject*.



Richard Ned Lebow, Peer Schouten, and Hidemi Suganami (eds.), *The Return of the Theorists: Dialogue with Great thinkers in International Relations* (Palgrave Macmillan 2016).



A Turkish edition of Andrew Linklater's book, *The Transformation of Political Community: Ethical Foundations of the Post-Westphalia Era* (Polity Press 1998) was published in Istanbul in April.



Ken Booth, *Relazioni Internazionali*, translated by Giuseppe Anzera, and published in Milan (2016) by Memesis

The Politics of Conservation & Growing Food: a Fieldtrip to Blaeneinion Farm, Powys.

The Environmental Politics Research Group (EPRG) is one of the Department's vibrant research groups run by PhD candidates. The last EPRG event of the year was an inspiring visit to Blaeneinion farm – home to a reforestation project, organic farm, and one male European beaver.

After a transnational effort at organizing with the three group conveners in Wales, Mexico, and Serbia, we successfully car pooled to the Artist's Valley that is the home of the 75ha of the farm. We were welcomed by Sharon, the founder and director of the project, and after some tea and biscuits in the beautiful on-site lodge, we got a detailed tour of the many things that are happening at Blaeneinion. Sharon's enthusiasm, dedication, and ability to manage such a versatile project kept us going despite the rain clouds that gathered over Artist's valley in the afternoon!

The project started as a reforestation project – bought as an old sheep farm, the site now has more than 70,000 trees planted. With the help of a grant from the Forestry Commission in Wales and hardworking volunteers who take 'planting holidays,' the barren pastures are slowly being turned into a young forest.

Because of the harsh climate which includes 100 mph winds and frosts well into April, the project was marked by many losses in the early years, but also a sharp learning curve. Choosing trees fit specifically for high winds and long winters, and developing her own know-how on saplings, spirals, and planting techniques, Sharon is creating a deciduous forest that will not only help recover the lost soil quality but also provide food from walnut and chestnut, elder, wild pear, wild cherry and plum trees. In the years to come, it will also provide timber for fuel, building materials, furniture making, sap for wine production and much more. One of the most educating experiences of the tour was comparing plots in different stages or re-wilding: seeing a plot that has been free from grazing for just a couple of years, next to a plot that has had more than five years to start its recovery, shows the true extent and importance of soil recovery in mid Wales.

One part of the farm is slowly being turned into a forest garden, following the principles of agroforestry – plants are planted in 'stories' or layers to create an edible and medicinal ecosystem. This system mimics natural systems, is highly productive, and bypasses many of the problems that monoculture systems face.

Producing food with many challenges like poor acidic soil and endless armies of slugs was a challenge for Sharon, but she used her experience from two decades of permaculture projects in London and started a producing and selling food at Blaeneinion. We took cover from the rain in two poly-tunnels built by Sharon and volunteers at Blaeneinion – the humid air and comfortable temperatures extends the growing season for a crucial few months and allows a steadier income. Sharon's beautiful produce is now a part of the Green Isle Growers' veg box scheme (<http://greenislegrowers.org.uk>) and also sold at the Community Shop in Machynlleth.

The biggest reward at the end of the tour was seeing Blaeneinion's Mr. Beaver come out for the night and have his breakfast of apples, carrots, and willow. Mr Beaver lives in a 2.5-acre enclosure at Blaeneinion and attracts crucial guests needed to keep the project going.

If you would like to get closer to Blaeneinion, there are two ways to spend more time on the farm. If you want to actively contribute to the re-planting project, you can take a working holiday and help out Sharon by planting trees and doing basic farm work. Food and accommodation in a yurt provided!

If you would like to use Blaeneinion as a quiet escape, you can also stay in one of the lodges at very affordable prices. More than just comfortable accommodation, these lodges provide the crucial funding needed to keep the project going. You can find out more info by e-mailing Sharon directly at: 01654 781215, info@blaeneinion.co.uk.

This was the last EPRG event for the 2015/2016. We will spend the next month developing the programme for next year. If you want to get more involved or have ideas that we could work on together, please do get in touch with coordinators Katarina Kušić (kak12), Danielle House (dah20) and Just Hopma (jmh23). . We are looking forward to seeing you all again in the autumn!



'Social Science Talks: Science Fiction'

The 'Social Science Talks: Science Fiction' podcast, recorded and edited in the department, is 21 episodes in and always looking for new contributors. If you're interested in discussing a book or theme, get in touch with Alex Hoseason (alh26) or Matthew Campbell (mwc9). To listen to us and other PhD students discuss books such as Frankenstein, Starship Troopers or Theories of International Relations and Zombies, visit socialsciencetalks.wordpress.com or search for us on iTunes.

Postgraduate Activities

Alistair Markland 2nd Year PhD student recently returned from month-long trip in the US (New York and Washington DC), which was a core part of the fieldwork for his ESRC-funded PhD project looking at the advocacy and reporting of international NGOs working on Sri Lanka. Alistair commented "I spent my there time doing qualitative research interviews with practitioners from major international NGOs like Amnesty International, International Crisis Group and Human Rights Watch, as well as with some UN staffers, DC-based lobbyists and individuals working for Tamil



diaspora organisations. I generally found this crop of the global elite to be quite open and receptive to my research, which certainly helped in snowballing and expanding my contacts whilst I was there. This was especially the case in DC, where I was able to really get more of an insider view of some of the capital's foreign policy advocacy circles (which may or may not have involved joining some lobbyists for a couple of overpriced glasses of whiskey)

Thanks to the high-level nature of the research, it was also exciting to actually conduct interviews inside global political spaces like the UN Secretariat tower (picture attached) and the Human Rights Watch headquarters, which is inside the Empire State Building. I've also attached a picture of the Congress in DC and a snap from inside the UN Security Council chamber"

Fieldwork Behind the Scenes at the Airport

Nearing the completion of her PhD thesis on the time-space geographies of international aviation, Aberystwyth PhD Candidate Yvonne Rinkart was given a chance to spend a day behind the scenes at Heathrow Airport. In addition to extensive expert interviews, she could make a trip through the backstage corridors of the terminals, which are usually only seen by airport employees. Yvonne was also given a tour of the ramp where planes are prepared for their next flight, and briefly visited the baggage handling system which transports bags between planes and terminals. She also had a chance to visit the Compass Centre, the headquarters of Heathrow Airport Ltd.

Yvonne's thesis is funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), and supervised between the Department of International Politics and the Department of Human Geography and Earth Sciences. Earlier this year, she also spent two months as a Visiting PhD Researcher at the Department of Politics and International Studies at the University of Warwick. As a result of over two years of engagement with the aviation industry, the trip allowed Yvonne to gather rare and invaluable insights which will certainly add to the critical edge of her thesis.

Subjecthood - a new entry point for critical social inquiry?

On the 12th May Lydia Cole presented a paper - 'The Production of the Victim-Subject: Counting, Accounting, and Bodily Injury' - at a one-day workshop at the University of Birmingham. The workshop aimed to explore the concept of subjecthood, asking how subjects of social change were embedded in a global political economy, as well as its epistemic frameworks and historical legacies. The workshop, part of an ongoing initiative, brought together scholars from a range of disciplinary backgrounds including international politics, law, history, international development, public management, and cultural anthropology. The video recording of her panel can be found at: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BAxhvejwKg8>

Gregynog Ideas Lab V

The Gregynog Ideas Lab V will take place from 11 - 16 July 2016 in Newtown, Wales, and UK. Set up in 2012, the Gregynog Ideas Lab is a unique opportunity for graduate students and academics working in international politics from a range of critical, postcolonial, feminist, post-structural and psychoanalytic traditions to re-examine their own work and meet new people in an open space for thinking and generating new ideas. It offers guest professor seminars, round table discussions, methodology workshops and one-to-one tutorials with the guest professors. This is the last time that the organisation of the Ideas Lab will be based in Aberystwyth University.

Provisionally, our guest professors for 2016 are: Aslı Çalkıvık (Istanbul Technical University), Andrew Davison (Vassar), Michael Dillon (Lancaster), Jenny Edkins (Aberystwyth), Tom Lundborg (Swedish Institute of International Affairs), Himadeep Muppidi (Vassar), Erzsebet Strausz (Warwick), Rob Walker (Victoria), Annick T. R. Wibben (San Francisco), and Andreja Zevnik (Manchester).

For more information about the Ideas Lab, visit our blog at <http://gregynog.blogspot.co.uk/>, join our Facebook group at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/675435315871900/> or email Yvonne Rinkart, our Graduate Administrator, on gregynogideaslab@gmail.com

