

Call For Papers
Cambridge Review of International Affairs

Indefinite Immigration Detention

A thematic section to be published in the Cambridge Review of International Affairs, following “Human Rights Denied: Indefinite Immigration Detention – Is There No End In Sight”, a conference hosted on 6 November 2010 at the London School of Economics by the LSE Migrations Studies Unit in conjunction with Student Action for Refugees (LSE) and the London Detainee Support Group.

The fundamental purpose of the conference and the thematic section is to address issues concerning the practice of indefinite immigration detention. In order to maintain a clear focus, and although there will inevitably be some overlap, it will not examine other areas of human rights and immigration such as child detention, destitution and other aspects of the asylum process.

In conjunction with the conference, the Cambridge Review of International Relations is now calling for papers to be published in a thematic section. PhD students, young scholars and people from the policy sector are encouraged to apply. Abstracts of the proposed papers should not exceed 500 words and are expected by Monday 29 November 2010. The Review will notify applicants with its decision in December 2010.

The papers may adopt a political or an interdisciplinary approach. Suggested themes include:

- Political and social aspects to indefinite detention: what is the current coalition government’s stance on this practice, and do they see a change? How does UK practice compare to the rest of the world/other European countries?
- Legal framework of indefinite detention: how does it align with the Universal Declaration & European Convention on Human Rights? What legal challenges have been mounted against long-term detention of individuals?
- Human cost of indefinite detention: what does it feel like to be detained indefinitely? What are the physical and mental health implications of indefinite detention? How does this practice directly violate civil liberties?
- Gender and indefinite detention

Please email a 500-word abstract and a short curriculum vitae, including institutional affiliation, to Elisa Narminio: cfp.cria.id@gmail.com
Please put “Indefinite Detention CFP” in the subject of your email.

We strongly encourage those willing to submit an abstract to attend the conference on 6 November 2010. For more information, please refer to the conference’s website: www.lse.ac.uk/government/research/resgroups/MSU/Indefinite_Detention.aspx