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# Editor's Welcome

Welcome to the second issue of IR Spotlight. It is only possible to scratch the surface when showcasing all the exciting developments taking place. I hope, however, that you will get a sense of our innovations in teaching and support for student involvement in international events. I am delighted to be able to emphasise our commitment to addressing issues of equality and diversity by announcing the appointment of Katharine Millar as Assistant Professor with a focus on Gender and IR (p. 11).



*Professor Christopher Hughes*

You can also get some insights into the research we are doing to maintain our reputation as the world's leading IR Department. What stands out is the strength we continue to derive from our unique ability to apply IR theory to the various regions of the world, with projects on Turkey, India, Russia and Eurasia and Japan providing just a few examples.

There can be no better indication of the success of this approach than the achievements of our alumni, exemplified by Dr Rizal Sukma, whom we warmly congratulate for his recent appointment as Ambassador of the Republic of Indonesia to London (p.18). His Excellency Dr Sukma completed his PhD on the international politics of Southeast Asia under the supervision of the late Professor Micheal Leifer, in whose name the Department has established a full scholarship for research students.

Providing such resources is increasingly important as state funding for higher education in the United Kingdom continues to shrink. Nothing gives a better idea of the changing context than the reminiscences of a group of four of our alumni who entered the Department as undergraduates in 1950 (p. 20). Listening over lunch to how that generation benefitted from the post-war broadening of access to universities was certainly one of the high points of my term as Head of Department.

The Department has grown since then and continues to expand. Yet rising fees and changes to the way in which the School allocates financial support puts pressures on students at all levels. At the same time, the Department needs to secure the vital support that will enable academic staff to continue to do the research in the various regions of the world and to promote our reputation at international events.

As I hand over the post of Head of Department to my successor, Professor Peter Trubowitz (p. 14), I sincerely hope that this newsletter will help us to work with our former students to develop new ways to support the students and staff who will constantly enrich our successful alumni body over the years to come.

**Professor Christopher Hughes, Head of Department, June 2016**



# Department Spotlight

## New developments in teaching and learning

### Building links with Japan

The Department has undertaken a number of initiatives to expand its long-standing links with the Asia-Pacific region. Building a relationship with the Graduate School for Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS), Waseda University, Tokyo, has been central to this.



Professor Christopher Hughes visits GSAPS.

In April 2016, Head of Department, Professor Christopher Hughes, was a Visiting Academic at GSAPS. Conducting his own research on the links between Japanese and Chinese militarism, he presented to staff and research students on the role of several Chinese activists who studied at Japanese military academies and Japanese universities in the early 20th century and linked their ideas with current policies in the PRC.

The Department also continues to develop its PhD student exchange programme with GSAPS, established in 2011. This allows up to two students to travel in either direction in a single year, for up to one year of study, under a fee-waiver agreement.

LSE student, Sohyn Lee, is studying at Waseda University and due to return to London in September 2016. On her time at Waseda she says:

*"As the first exchange student from our department, I have benefited tremendously from this programme, and I feel obliged to share this exciting opportunity with other research students."*

*"For anyone who is considering going to Japan for his or her fieldwork, I can strongly recommend the LSE-Waseda Exchange Programme. The GSAPS and Waseda University provide opportunities to learn Japanese, make friends from diverse backgrounds, gain resources with limited access, meet with distinguished scholars and practitioners, and truly enjoy the life in Tokyo."*



Sohyun Lee at Waseda University



*L to R: Sohyun Lee (current LSE exchange student), Mina Chiba (Waseda University exchange student this year), Yao Yang (next year's Waseda University exchange student).*

The Department would like to congratulate former Waseda exchange student, Sun Wenzhou, for publishing the results of her research under the title 'From Auxiliary to Weapon: Japan and Britain's Changing Understanding of the Naval Tactical Role of Aircraft, 1910-1929', in Volume 30 of the *Waseda Journal of the Graduate School of Asia Pacific Studies*: <https://goo.gl/Qf79Jo>

Christopher Hughes is also delighted to have also been able to further build links with Japan by working with the

Japanese Embassy to arrange lectures in the Department by Professor Yasuhiro Matsuda of Tokyo University and Professor Yusuke Anami of Tokyo University. Especially rewarding was a visit by a delegation of Japanese students from Hitotsubashi University, led by Professor Nobumasa Akiyama.

The Department was also able to place one BSc student and one MSc student on the Japanese Government-sponsored Mirai programme, which involves visits to leading Japanese universities over the Christmas break.

Finally, the Department looks forward to welcoming Waseda University's Professor Hatsue Shinohara to deliver the Fred Halliday Memorial Lecture on Monday 14 November 2016.

**For further information on the Waseda Exchange Programme, visit:**

<http://www.lse.ac.uk/intranet/LSEServices/LSEinEastAsia/LSEJapan/Academic-Programmes-in-Japan.aspx>

## Cases in Economic Diplomacy

As a complement to the IR 455 and IR 355 course, Economic Diplomacy, IR's Dr Stephen Woolcock and Sir Nicholas Bayne organised a Cases in Economic Diplomacy series, which took place in Lent Term 2016.

Convened by Stephen and Nicholas, IR455 and IR355 is an applied course, which aims to provide a link between academic analysis and the practice of economic negotiations. Open



to its students, the Cases in Economic Diplomacy series is as an opportunity for them to discuss specific cases with practitioners.

Stephen explains:

*"In order to give students a real sense of how negotiations are conducted in practice this series brings in a range of practitioners. Alongside the sessions with practitioners, students conduct a simulation of a negotiation, so that they can begin to see some of the challenges faced by negotiators."*

Organised throughout March, this series welcomed a number of international speakers from numerous reputable institutions. Duncan Green, a Senior Policy Advisor for OXFAM, discussed '*Civil Society NGOs in Economic Diplomacy*', and Stephen Pickford, a Visiting Fellow at the Royal Institute of International Affairs, and a former senior official in the UK Treasury presented on '*Financial Diplomacy: Global Cooperation since the Crisis*'.

Dr Craig Van Grasstek from the Kennedy School of Government explored the '*Role of Trade Policy in U.S. Elections (and Vice Versa)*', before Ambassador Vangelis Vitalis, Chair of the WTO Committee on Agriculture in Special Session (and New Zealand Ambassador to the WTO), rounded off the series with a presentation on '*WTO: Chairing the Agriculture Negotiations to the Nairobi WTO Ministerial: How it all works (or doesn't!) and lessons learnt*'.

The series proved to be a great success for both visiting speakers and students alike. Both IR455 and IR355 will return to the academic curriculum next year, along with the next series in Cases in Economic Diplomacy.

## LSE SU Teaching Excellence Awards 2016

The Teaching Excellence Awards are the only awards at LSE that are student-led, with students making the nominations and students choosing the winners. This year, three members of the IR Department nominated for the LSESU Teaching Excellence Awards were all Highly Commended.

**Tarak Barkawi**, Deputy Head of Department (Research) was Highly Commended for Inspirational Teaching; Graduate Teaching Assistant, **Ida Danewid**, was Highly

Commended for Sharing Subject Knowledge; and **Taylor St John**, Fellow in International Political Economy, was Highly Commended for Excellent Feedback and Communication.

Read more on the LSESU Teaching Excellence Awards here:

<https://www.lsesu.com/yourunion/teachingawards/>

## Learning Technology and Innovation Grant



### LEARNING TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION GRANTS

Two of our Graduate Teaching Assistants, Gustav Meibauer and Andreas Aagaard Nohr, have won a Learning Technology and Innovation Grant (LTIG).

The purpose of the grant, awarded by the School's Learning, Technology and Innovation division (LTI), is to; integrate innovative use of technology into LSE teaching and learning practices; foster professional development of

individual members of staff, both in their use of technology in teaching and in the continued evaluation and development of their teaching practice; and give students opportunities to provide e-learning solutions from a learner's perspective.

Gustav Meibauer and Andreas Aagaard Nohr were awarded the grant to help develop PowerPoint-Based Simulation Games for use in undergraduate teaching. They explain:

*"This project will design and implement three PowerPoint-based interactive simulations for use in introductory undergraduate classes. Currently available solutions are targeted at course-long activities, at a high cost of time and preparation effort for both teachers and students. Instead, this project explicitly aims at providing a low-cost, easily accessible and class-long interactive experience to students to encourage theoretical linkage with own in-class experience in such issue areas as foreign policy, diplomacy, or great power dynamics."*

The IR Department wish both Gustav and Andreas all the best in this new venture.

For further information on the LTIG, please visit: <http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/lti/lti-grants/ltig/>



# Research

## Research project investigates the dynamics of popular mobilisation in Russia and Eurasia

A recent project, led by Tomila Lankina, Associate Professor of International Relations, investigates the dynamics of popular mobilisation in Russia and the other post-Soviet countries. It explores wider questions of national and sub-national democracy, authoritarianism, and geopolitical orientations in the post-Soviet space.

At its various stages, the research received generous financial support from the British Academy; LSE Suntory and Toyota International Centres for Economics and Related Disciplines (STICERD); LSE Centre for International

Studies (CIS); LSE Seed Corn Fund; LSE International Relations Department (IRD) Research Infrastructure Investment Fund (RIIF); LSE Ideas; and the LSE IRD Seed Corn Fund.

Most recently, the British Academy has awarded Tomila Lankina a Mid-Career Fellowship (2015-2016) to analyse popular mobilisation in the context of the Russia-Ukraine conflict. For this project, a laboratory has been set up to gather data on protest and to study the media's role in driving or suppressing street discontent; and in furthering the political elite's domestic and foreign policy objectives.

For further information on this project, please visit: <http://popularmobilization.net/>





# Dr Katerina Dalacoura workshops on Contemporary Turkish Discourses on Culture in IR

In the context of her project on '*Alternative Universalisms? Contemporary Turkish Discourses on Culture in International Relations*', funded by the British Academy, Dr Katerina Dalacoura co-organised two workshops, one in Ankara, Turkey, and the other in Washington DC. Both were funded by the IR Department.



*L to R: Ihsan Bagi, Michelangelo Guida, Ali Balci, the Chair: Professor Ihsan Sezal, Gokhan Bacik*

The first workshop, co-organised by Katerina Dalacoura, Professor Menderes (Cinar Baskent University) and Dr Burak Ozpek (TOBB University), took place at TOBB University on 29 March 2016. The workshop investigated contemporary Turkish conceptions of culture in International Relations. Participants included Ihsan Dagi (Middle East Technical University), Ali Balci (Sakarya University), Michelangelo Guida (29 Mayıs University), and Gokhan Bacik (Ipek University).



*L to R: Brian Silverstein (The University of Arizona), Berna Turam (Northeastern University), Katerina Dalacoura (LSE), Gunes Murat Tezcur (University of Central Florida)*

The second workshop co-organised by Katerina Dalacoura and Professor Henri Barkey (The Wilson Center) took place at the Wilson Center on 20 April 2016. The workshop explored new ideas among Islamist and secular intellectuals in contemporary Turkey and enquired whether novel understandings exist about the relationship between Islam and modernity, East and West, and the position of Turkey itself within them. There were nine presentations in all, which took place in three panels. The event was well-attended (35 people in each panel) and

the presentations were followed by a spirited discussion. [Full details of the programme can be found here.](#)

Both workshops were a great success, and well-attended with engaged and focused audiences. Comments from the participants and attendees were positive.

To find out more on each workshop, visit the LSE IR Blog: <http://goo.gl/GofbzG>

## IR Book Scrub on Soldiers of Empire



Dr Tarak Barkawi

On 14 April 2016, the IR Department held its first 'book scrub' seminar on Tarak Barkawi's book manuscript *Soldiers of Empire: Rethinking Army, Society and Battle with the British Indian Army in the Asia-Pacific Wars*.

For Barkawi's book scrub, the leading Indian military historian Kaushik Roy was flown in from Kolkata. He was joined by leading military sociologists Professors Tony King (Warwick) and Chris Dandeker (emeritus, KCL); by a prominent South Asianist, Dr Gavin Rand (Greenwich); by experts in the critical study of war Dr Shane Brighton (Sussex), Dr Paul Kirby (Sussex), Dr Martin Coward (Newcastle) and Professor Patricia Owens (Sussex); by Professor Patrick Porter of Exeter's Strategy and Security Institute; by Alan Jeffreys of the Imperial War Museum; and by our own Professor Christopher Coker and Dr Martin Bayly.

Barkawi's manuscript uses the British Indian army in the Second World War to launch a postcolonial critique of military sociology and military history. It points out that studies of how soldiers are made and why they fight are based almost exclusively on Western national armies.

The manuscript shows how if we ask the same questions of colonial soldiers in an imperial army, we come up with very different answers. The army is refigured as an ancient and cosmopolitan institution, rather than a national and modern one.

The book scrub seminar spent the day critiquing Barkawi's manuscript, arguing with one another about its ideas, and pointing out many little mistakes and unclear passages. It was a very helpful day which will make the final manuscript much stronger, and more able to withstand criticism after publication.

**Barkawi's book is forthcoming on Cambridge University Press and will be available in paperback and hardback in winter 2017.**

## Global South Unit visits Chile and Peru

Professor Chris Alden and Dr Álvaro Mendez of the Department's Global South Unit conducted a series of lectures, workshops and meetings in Peru and Chile in May 2016.

Examining the impact of China's growing presence within those countries, this multi-varied engagement brought home the importance of local knowledge in understanding emerging global trends. One of the highlights of their visit to Santiago was a wonderful dinner with IRD alumni that included a lively discussion of the implications of



*Professor Chris Alden (left) and Dr Álvaro Mendez (right) attend the LSE Chilean alumni dinner.*

BREXIT for the UK, Europe and Chile. **For further information on the Global South Unit, visit:** <http://goo.gl/laqoqN>

## Staff Spotlight

### New post in Gender and IR



*Katharine Millar*

To promote the commitment of the School to addressing issues of equality and diversity across the curriculum, the Department is delighted to have been able to create a new post dedicated to research and teaching in the area of Gender and International Relations.

Starting September 2016, Katharine Millar joins the IR Department from Somerville College, University of Oxford, where she held a Social Science and Humanities Research Council of Canada doctoral fellowship. Her broad research interests lie in examining the gendered cultural narratives underlying the modern collective use of force.

Katharine's current work examines historical and contemporary constructions of civilian masculinity in wartime, and she has published on female combatants, gendered representations of violent death, military masculinity, and critical conceptions of militarism.

She received a Masters of International Studies from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies, Geneva, Switzerland, and a Bachelor of Arts (Honours) from the University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada. She is originally from Thorsby, Alberta, Canada, and has previously worked as a policy researcher for a major Canadian political party.



## Introducing...: Dr Scott Jerbi

The IR Department is pleased to introduce Dr Scott Jerbi as the new David Davies of Llandinam Research Fellow (DINAM).

From 1997 to 2002, Scott worked in the Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights where his duties included leading the development of the Office's policies and interactions with the private sector. From 2002 to 2010 he served as Senior Adviser to former UN High Commissioner and former President of Ireland, Mary Robinson. He is currently a Senior Adviser to the Institute for Human Rights and Business (IHRB), which works to advance corporate respect for international human rights standards. Scott holds a PhD in International Relations from the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies.



*Dr Scott Jerbi*

As the 2016 DINAM Research Fellow, Scott will study the role of public-private partnerships as a central element in strategies to implement the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), which were adopted by world leaders in September 2015.

## Dr John Kent Visits Leiden



**Universiteit  
Leiden**

John Kent was invited to participate in an international conference over three days on '*Reconsidering Democracy and the Nation State in a Global Perspective*' at the University of Leiden.

Universities in four of the five continents were represented by the participants in nine thematic study groups with a particular emphasis on the regions of Europe, Latin America and Africa. Three colleges of the University of London provided speakers along with universities in the Americas and Asia and seven different European countries.

Keynote speakers were Adam Fairclough from the University of Leiden and Glenda Sluga from the University of Sydney. A full list of the nine theme convenors, as well as the individual speakers and their topics, can be found via the following link:  
<http://goo.gl/Sgcf3j>.

The inter-disciplinary element was strong in that the many sub-disciplines were all regarded as different but equal contributors to the topic, rather than contributing to a single overarching approach and having to play a supporting methodological role in the study of the international. Different working parties were able to have one joint session in addition to their own three group sessions and a plenary session.

The overall organiser was the history department's research group on political culture and national identity, and a civic reception at the town hall was provided by the town of Leiden.

Further information on the conference can be found via the following link:

<http://www.hum.leiden.edu/history/conference-democracy-nation-state>

## Dr James Strong talks to LSE alumni groups in US



Dr James Strong talks to LSE Alumni group in Washington DC, April 2016.

James Strong of the IR Department gave two talks at LSE Alumni events in April 2016 in Chicago and Washington DC on *"The death of greatness? Britain's role in the 21st century world order"*.

On his time in the US, James reports:

*"I enjoyed speaking to LSE alumni groups in both Chicago and Washington DC, both on the topic of Britain's role in the world."*

*"I argued that Britain has reached a critical tipping point in its ability to act as a great power, and that regardless of its allies' continued high expectations, it will in future struggle to do the sorts of things great powers are expected to do."*

*"We had a very good turnout from alumni, both from within the IR department – including some recent graduates of the MSc and BSc IR programmes now working, among other places, in the White House and the Pentagon – and from other departments."*

You can read more about James' visit on his blog: <https://goo.gl/vguOXZ>

# IR announces new Head of Department

The Department of International Relations is pleased to announce its new Head of Department, Professor Peter Trubowitz.

Peter is Professor of International Relations and Director of the [US Centre](#) at LSE and Associate Fellow at Chatham House, Royal Institute of International Affairs. His main teaching and research interests are in the fields of international security, with a special focus on American grand strategy and foreign policy. He also writes and comments frequently on US party politics and elections.



*Professor Peter Trubowitz*

His publications include [Politics and Strategy: Partisan Ambition and American Statecraft](#) (Princeton University Press, 2011), as well as articles in scholarly journals such as International Security, International Studies Quarterly, and Political Science Quarterly and more popular venues like Foreign Affairs, International Herald Tribune, and The National Interest.

Before joining LSE, he was professor of government at the University of Texas, Austin. He has also held visiting positions at Harvard, Princeton, the University of California in San Diego, Universidad de Chile, Centro de Investigación y Docencia Económicas (CIDE) in Mexico City, and the Beijing Foreign Studies University, where he was the J. William Fulbright distinguished lecturer in American foreign policy.

## Student Spotlight

### Cyber 9/12 Student Challenge event 2016

*Report by Thomas Boley (Undergraduate, International Relations)*

The IR Department supported a team of four students to attend the Geneva Centre for Security Policy and compete in the Cyber 9/12 Student Challenge, hosted in conjunction with the Atlantic Council.



The competition involved students acting as external consultants to a team of European policy makers. A security brief concerning a cyber Distributed Denial of Service (DDOS) attack on a Serbian energy company was the prompt for a written and oral response outlining policy alternatives to counter the threat posed by the hackers.



*Just before the team's presentation. L to R: Michelle Ryan, Thomas Boley, Ketevan Papashvili, Peter Yates*

The conference served as a platform for cyber security firm recruitment. The winning team – four students from King's College London taking a master's programme in cyber security – received a prize of 1000 Euros and a paid trip to interview at any of F-Secure's locations.

The runners-up were a team from the United States Naval Academy coached by Martin Libicki, one of the foremost academics in cyber security. Other teams competed from across Europe, ranging from the University of Jyväskylä in Finland to the Geneva School of Diplomacy and International Relations.



*The team on the final day after the competition. From left to right: Michelle Ryan, Ketevan Papashvili, Thomas Boley, Peter Yates, Andre Nakazawa (coach)*

In our first day at the competition, we presented our policies to a panel of seven judges. The judges were of diverse nationalities and critiqued our proposals, scoring us against the other competitors. After weeks of preparation, we were pleased that our proposals were "academic" and "diplomatic." However, we ultimately did not score well enough to qualify for the second round.

The loss was bittersweet, as we were able to better explore Geneva the following day. We visited the United Nations headquarters as well as the headquarters for the International Committee of the Red Cross—two relevant institutions for those of us taking IR203, International Organisations.

Despite the lacklustre catering at the conference, the experience proved valuable for the competitors. Since the conference, one of the team members has gained post-graduation employment at a cyber security firm in London. The team is very grateful to the International Relations Department for supporting the team in its endeavour. We would like to thank our coach, Andre Nakazawa, who was instrumental to the experience.

# IR Nominees for the Volunteer of the Year Award

The IR Department are pleased to announce that two of its students were nominated for an LSE Careers Volunteer of the Year Award.

IR Postgraduate student Hsiang-Yun Lai was nominated for her time at the Environmental Justice Foundation (EJF) on the Oceans Intelligence Gathering Internship. She volunteered at EJF as a part-time intern from October to December 2015.

During her internship, she conducted research on Chinese fishing legislation and helped produce several reports on Taiwanese fisheries, especially in market and supply chain research. She also translated vessel activity and identity notifications from English into Mandarin for fishing vessel operations in West Africa. The reports directly contributed to helping the relevant authorities hold illegal fishing vessels accountable.

IR Undergraduate student Jans Mynbayeva was nominated for her time at the Wonder Foundation on a Research Internship. Jans interned two days a week with WONDER, doing research on the situation for women, girls, NGOs and education in Kazakhstan, where WONDER has a partner organisation.

Thanks to Jans' work and the systems she put in place, the foundation are now hoping to undertake similar research for all of the other countries where they have partners, using her work as a template.

Hosted by the LSE Volunteer Centre and LSESU RAG Society, the Volunteer of the Year Award ceremony took place on 28 April 2016. Unfortunately neither Hsiang-Yun Lai nor Jans won the coveted prize, however the IR Department remain delighted and proud that their hard work was recognised.

**For further information on the nominees, as well as the award scheme, visit:**

**<http://blogs.lse.ac.uk/careers/2016/04/14/lse-volunteer-of-the-year-2016-nominations/>**



# Alumni Spotlight

## IR alumnus appointed Indonesian Ambassador

Former LSE International Relations student, His Excellency Dr Rizal Sukma, was appointed Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary for the Republic of Indonesia in London earlier this year.

After completing an MSc (1993) and PhD (1997) in International Relations, Ambassador Rizal has led a successful career working extensively on Southeast Asia's security issues, ASEAN, Indonesia's Foreign Policy and Domestic Political Changes in Indonesia.

Before his appointment as Indonesian Ambassador, Ambassador Rizal was the Director of Studies at the Centre for Strategic and International Studies (CSIS), Jakarta; Secretary to International Relations Bureau for the Central Executive Board of Muhammadiyah; and Visiting Lecturer for the Postgraduate Faculty at the University of Indonesia. Ambassador Rizal is also the Author of numerous publications including "*Human Security and Political Stability: Should There be a Tension?*" (2001).

In his new role Ambassador Rizal hopes to further strengthen the relationship between Indonesia and the UK, focusing on maritime cooperation, tourism, education, exchange of students, education and science cooperation, and exploring the creative economy.

The Department of International Relations would like to wish Ambassador Rizal all the best in his role.



H.E. Dr Rizal Sukma

## Profile: Stephen Scott

After earning his Bachelor's degree in social sciences at Cornell University in 1989, Stephen Scott joined the IR Department, and studied for an MSc in International Relations.

Following his time at LSE, Stephen has lived and worked in Washington, New York, London, Frankfurt, Madrid and in Shanghai, and has led successful client matters on the ground in over 50 countries located throughout the Americas, Europe, and Asia.





Stephen Scott

Stephen has served as China country-head for the restructuring and business advisory firm, Alvarez & Marsal; as Chief International Investigator for the US Congress; as a legal analyst in Germany; a trade analyst with the US and Spanish governments in Madrid; and as a policy analyst in Washington.

Stephen is now Founder & CEO at Starling Trust Sciences, a technology company operating at the nexus of data science, network science, and behavioural science to produce “predictive behavioural analytics.”

On his time at LSE, Stephen explains:

*"While not, perhaps, immediately obvious, the learnings I achieved at the LSE (with a particular shout-out to Professor Christopher Coker) were instrumental to the inception of Starling Trust Sciences."*

*"We work globally, serving global organisations, and here again my time at the LSE equipped me with a host of relevant lessons that inform my day-to-day operations. I should note here that two other LSE classmates, Clay Lowery and Dan Epstein, are early investors in Starling, so the business is one fully founded by LSE alumni, and all the better for that"*

We thank Stephen Scott for his kind words and wish him continued success for the future.

## Alumni Memories: IR in the 1950s

*Words by Professor Maurice Craft, Lionel Gordon, Morris Salter, and Ken Turner (IR Alumni, 1950)*

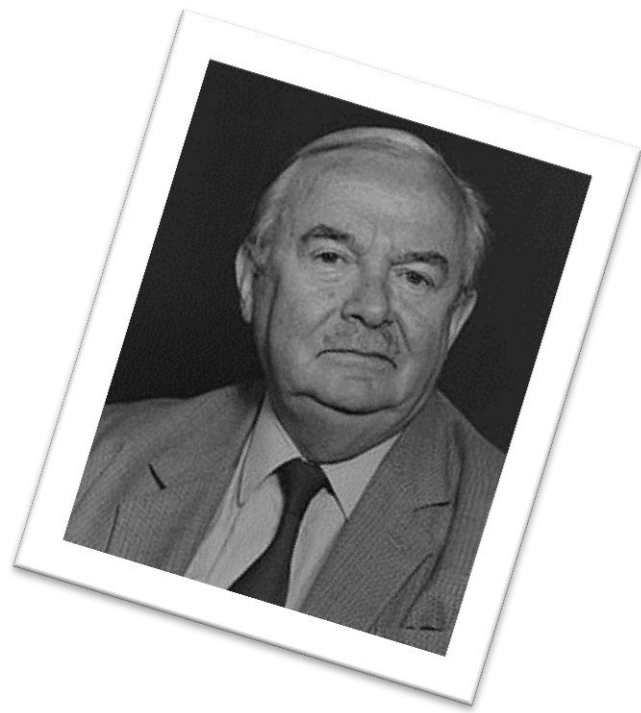


We four joined the LSE Department of International Relations in October 1950 when just 4% of each 18 year-old cohort went to university. We found LSE to be a vibrant, dynamic place with outstanding lectures by the senior professors and readers, intensive seminars, and a very active student community with societies catering for all manner of social and political interests. These were the days of Ron Moody's brilliant student revues, and Bernard Levin's informed persistence at Union meetings.

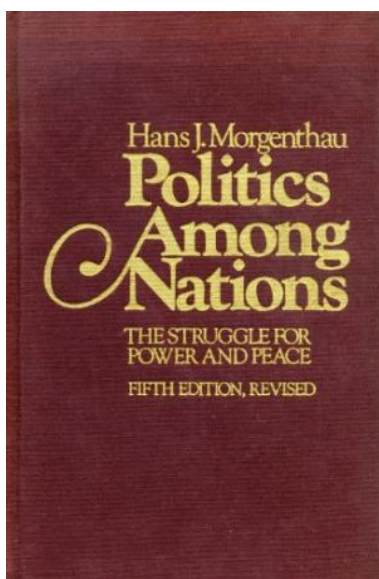
International Relations, a new subject in UK universities, was offered at LSE by a small department but with an excellent staff headed by the renowned Professor C.A.W. Manning, a South African lawyer, who lectured on philosophical aspects. Professor Sir Charles Webster mesmerised us with thundering accounts of European diplomatic history in which he appeared to have been a significant player.

Martin Wight offered meticulous and original analyses of historical trends and processes. Brian Tunstall and Geoffrey Goodwyn presented strategic and economic aspects, and Mr Chambers the individual perspectives of several of the major powers. The intense, erudite Fred Northedge (later Head of the Department) taught psychological aspects. A standard text was H.J. Morgenthau's *Politics among Nations*, comprehensive, scholarly – though depressing to our post-war idealism!

It was a good course – stimulating, demanding and cohesive. We greatly enjoyed it all, and gained a lifelong interest and an analytical perspective on international affairs which each of us has found profoundly enriching. But sadly, peaceful change and conflict resolution seem as elusive as ever.



*Professor Fred Northedge*



*H.J. Morgenthau's Politics among Nations*

In the course of all our undergraduate activities, academic and social, we became close friends, and we attended meetings of the Grimshaw Club (Ken became President), with its links to Chatham House. After graduating in 1953 we each spent two years undergoing National Service. We kept in touch, became husbands, fathers and grandfathers, and continued to follow the remarkable development of the School with great interest and affection.

We have met regularly for over 60 years to the present day, attending public lectures at LSE, and lunching to review world affairs, and to marvel at the growth and development of our old Department. We feel much indebted to LSE for our three years at the School and wish the Department of International Relations every success in the future.



# Alumni: In Pictures



*From L to R: Christopher Hughes, Maurice Craft, Ken Turner, Lionel Gordon, Morris Salter, and Mark Hoffman.*



*Graduation, 2014. From L to R: Anne Roth, Melina Tychtl, Kelsey Henry, Pete Barone, James Strong, Karina Konz and Jo Gardiner.*



## Gifts to the IR Department



### Annual Fund

Alumni play a significant role in LSE life - especially as volunteers within the alumni community and as ambassadors through the lives you lead after graduation. This contribution is recognised and greatly appreciated by the School. By giving back to the School philanthropically, you can also make an investment in the future and help to maintain LSE's global reputation for excellence.

The LSE Annual Fund, the School's regular giving programme, is an essential resource that helps LSE to maintain its status as a world class university. The generosity of alumni, parents, governors, staff and friends of LSE enables the Annual Fund to support essential projects and initiatives on campus every year.

You can support the Department of International Relations by stating it as your preference when making your gift. All contributions will be extremely valuable for delivering a range of projects and initiatives which require flexible or additional funding.

Find out more and make a gift to support the Department online at:

<http://goo.gl/yRIUry> or by emailing: [annualfund@lse.ac.uk](mailto:annualfund@lse.ac.uk)

#### Calling all IR Alumni!

The next edition of **IR Spotlight** is due for release in January 2017. If you have memories or photos of your time at LSE which you wish to share, we would love to hear from you.

Please e-mail them to [S.Wise3@lse.ac.uk](mailto:S.Wise3@lse.ac.uk).

If you have any questions about the newsletter or would like further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks in advance and we hope to hear from you soon!

# Publications and events

## Recent publications

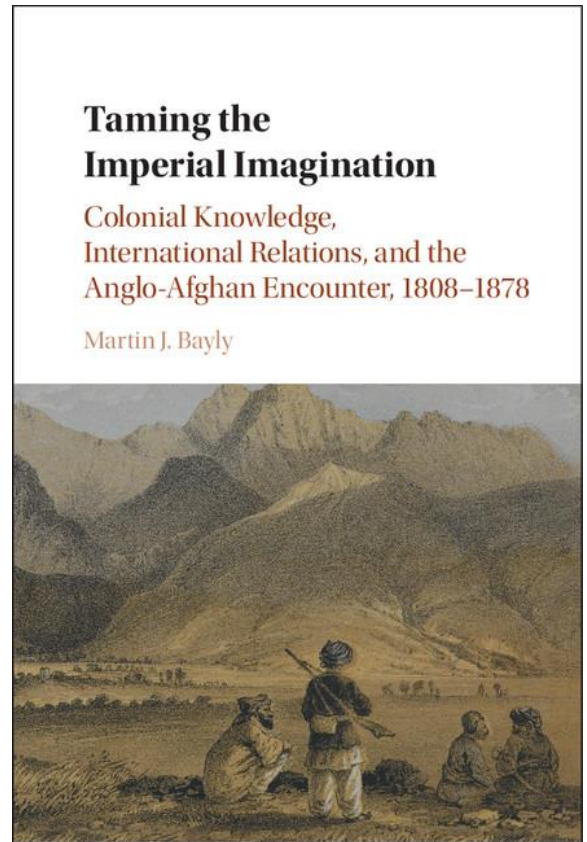
### **Taming the Imperial Imagination: Colonial Knowledge, International Relations, and the Anglo-Afghan Encounter 1808-1878**

***Dr Martin J. Bayly, Cambridge University Press, May 2016***

Taming the Imperial Imagination marks a novel intervention into the debate on empire and international relations, and offers a new perspective on nineteenth-century Anglo-Afghan relations.

Martin J. Bayly shows how, throughout the nineteenth century, the British Empire in India sought to understand and control its peripheries through the use of colonial knowledge. Addressing the fundamental question of what Afghanistan itself meant to the British at the time, he draws on extensive archival research to show how knowledge of Afghanistan was built, refined and warped by an evolving colonial state. This knowledge informed policy choices and cast Afghanistan in a separate legal and normative universe.

Beginning with the disorganised exploits of the nineteenth-century explorers and ending with the cold strategic logic of the militarised 'scientific frontier', this book tracks the nineteenth-century origins of contemporary policy 'expertise' and the forms of knowledge that inform interventions in Iraq, Afghanistan and elsewhere today.



**For further information, or if you wish to purchase the book, visit:**

**<http://www.cambridge.org/9781107118058>.**

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# Event Highlights: Lent Term and Summer Term 2016

Over Lent Term and Summer Term, the IR Department hosted a variety of speakers for an array of impressive lectures.

Highlights include:

## **In Conversation with Dame Higgins**

**Dame Rosalyn C. Higgins, February 2016**

Dame Rosalyn Higgins was a Judge of the International Court of Justice, the principal judicial organ of the United Nations, from 1995 to 2009 and it's President from February 2006 to February 2009.

## **Diplomacy in the Management of Health and Humanitarian Crisis: The Syria Case**

**Elizabeth Hoff, February 2016**

Elizabeth Hoff is the World Health Organization (WHO) Representative in Syria.

## **The Future of the EU in the Face of BREXIT**

**Enrico Letta, February 2016**

Enrico Letta is the Dean of the Paris School of International Affairs (PSIA) at Sciences Po in Paris, and former Prime Minister of Italy, from April 2013 to February 2014.

## **A Changing World - a UN in Progress**

**Natalia Gherman, April 2016**

Natalia Gherman is former Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration of the Republic of Moldova. In February 2016, the Moldovan government formally nominated Ms Gherman as a candidate for the position of UN Secretary-General.



*Enrico Letta*



*Natalia Gherman*

To catch up on our previous events, visit our Event Podcasts page where you can listen to past lectures: <http://goo.gl/hO7Mou>

## Forthcoming events 2016

The following events are free and open to all, with no ticket or pre-registration required.  
For a full list of our forthcoming events, or further information, please visit:

<http://www.lse.ac.uk/internationalRelations/events/events.aspx>

### IR Public Lecture

#### *Religion, Migration and Human Security: A Post-Secular Perspective?*

20 October 2016, 6.30 – 8.00pm, venue TBC

Professor Giorgio Shani

**Giorgio Shani** is a Visiting Senior Fellow at the Centre of International Studies (CIS) at LSE and a Professor of Politics and International Relations at International Christian University, Tokyo.



Professor Giorgio Shani

### IR Martin Wight Memorial Lecture

#### *Power and Inequality in the Global Political Economy*

9 November 2016, 6.30 – 8.00pm, venue TBC

Professor Nicola Philips

**Nicola Philips** is Professor of Political Economy and the Head of the Department of Politics at the University of Sheffield.



Professor Nicola Philips

### IR Fred Halliday Memorial Lecture

#### *International Norm Change: Outlawry of War in the Interwar Years*

14 November 2016, 6.30 – 8.00pm, venue TBC

Professor Hatsue Shinohara

**Hatsue Shinohara** is Professor of International Relations at the Graduate School of Asia-Pacific Studies (GSAPS), Waseda University. Her research focuses on the history of international law, the disciplinary history of IR, and the League of Nations.



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