## World Social Science Fellows' Seminar: Global Social Governance

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From 29 July to 2 August 2014, the Academy's International Advisory Group and the LSE Centre for International Studies hosted the third in the International Social Science Council's (ISSC) Programme of World Social Science Fellows Seminars on the theme of Global Social Governance.

The overall aims of the ISSC's programme of seminars are to create the next generation of social science leaders, by focusing on global challenges and priorities with particular relevance to developing countries. At the London Seminar, the 20 Fellows from across the world worked together with other participants, and with leading international specialists, policy advisers, practitioners and publishers, to explore different approaches to interand trans-disciplinary research, their methodologies, the gaps and problematic of emerging themes.



In five intensive days, the Fellows were given the opportunity to chair, lead and report on conversations and panel discussions with experts on global social governance and the policy process, while collaboratively planning themed sections of journals, special issues, edited book and project proposals. They received valuable advice on international networking, project funding and dissemination from experienced researchers and organisers, and returned to their home institutions and regions ready to develop and consolidate their careers as international research leaders.

The Academy was partnered in London by the LSE's Centre for International Studies (CIS). Venues and catering were provided by the British Council and the Suntory Toyota Centre for Economics and Related Disciplines (Sticerd) at the London School of Economics. The event was also generously sponsored by the LSE Asia Research Centre, the Department of Social Policy and Social Work at the University of York, the School of Geographical and Earth Sciences at the University of Glasgow, the Leeds Social Science Institute and the Social Sciences Division at Oxford University. Several publishers – SAGE, Routledge Taylor & Francis, Edward Elgar, Policy Press, Palgrave Macmillan and Wiley – provided financial and practical support as well as offering the Fellows copies of books and journals. Without this support the event would not have been possible.

A full report on the Seminar will be available as the next in the Academy's series of Professional Briefings in October 2014.

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