

# SEED Bulletin December 2016

## Welcome to the December 2016 edition of the SEED Bulletin

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### Head of School Message



Dear Colleagues

We have reached the end of another long semester, and I know colleagues are more than ready for a well-earned break over Christmas. So I will restrict my message to two points only...

The first is to announce that Iain Deas, Senior Lecturer in Planning, has been appointed Chair of the School Board. We've had some extremely valuable and lively discussions through the Board over the last year, which have fed directly and indirectly into our policies and plans, so I am delighted that a colleague of Iain's experience will be taking this forward. The next Board will be on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

My second point is to urge you to take part in 10,000 Actions. This is the University's flagship environmental sustainability programme, aiming to engage all University staff in personal, practical actions. You'll have seen the round-robin emails on this earlier this month, and can't fail to have spotted the big '10,000' sign opposite the Manchester Museum. The programme can be accessed at [www.manchester.ac.uk/10000actions](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/10000actions), takes a maximum of an hour to complete (although usually much less!) and will be open until the end of January. Given our significant profile and School mission on environment and sustainability research and teaching I know that colleagues will want to use this as a positive opportunity to reflect on our individual approaches to sustainability. So please do take part.

And with that I'll sign off for the calendar year, wishing all of you and your families a great Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Very best wishes

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## Staff Visits, Activities and News

Staff	Date	Activity
<b>Alfredo Stein</b>	November 2016	<p>On 8th November 2016, Alfredo presented the results of the project 'Asset planning for climate change in poor neighbourhoods of Tegucigalpa' (funded by the Nordic Development Fund) to directors and staff of the Climate Change and Sustainable Sector Department (CSD) as well as the Housing and Urban Development Department (HUD) of the Inter-American Development Bank (IADB) headquarters in Washington DC.</p> <p>Alfredo acted as external examiner in two PhD Vivas, the first on 14th November at Heriot-Watt University written by Aisling O'Loughlen on the 'Nexus of displacement and urbanisation: assessing the asset vulnerability of urban refugees and urban poor in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania', and the second on 2nd December, at University of Sheffield written by Emma Morales Garcia de Alba on 'Middle Class Gatedness: a practice-based analysis of middle-class gated communities in Mexico'.</p>
<b>Ray Lucas</b>	November 2016	<p>Paper presentation at Drawing Futures conference (11th-12th November) at the Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL with the title: 'Inscriptive Practice as Gesture'. The paper has also been published, both as a conventional book and <a href="#">open access PDF</a> by UCLPress:</p> <p>Lucas, R. 2016. "Inscriptive Practice as Gesture", in Pearson, L. et al. Drawing Futures, Bartlett School of Architecture, UCL, London. November 2016, pp. 217-223.</p> <p>Ray will also be giving a talk on 'Graphic Anthropology' for the Master of Architecture programme at the University of Antwerp on December 19th.</p>
<b>Joe Ravetz</b>	November and December 2016	<p>United Nations Economic Commission for Africa, Senior Experts Dialogue on "<i>African Cities As Innovation Hubs For Africa's Transformation</i>", Johannesburg, (Keynote speaker), Nov 2016</p> <p>JPI-Urban Europe, Urban Transformations workshop, Brussels, (panellist), Oct 2016.</p> <p><i>Akademie for Raumforschung und Landesplanung</i> conference, Munster, Germany: 'Space in Crisis – The Future of Small &amp; Medium-Sized Cities', (Keynote), Dec. 2016.</p> <p>ICCR Foundation (International Institute for Social Science Research), Vienna, workshop on 'The future of the social sciences' (Panellist), Nov 2016.</p> <p>N8 Northern Summit, '<i>Northern Futures - Collaboration for Inclusive Growth and Prosperity</i>', (Panellist &amp; Manchester host), Nov 2016</p> <p>People's Plan for Greater Manchester, Alternative Economic Development, (workshop presentation), Nov 2016.</p> <p>University College London workshop on 'Rural-urban development, an international perspective' (Lecture), October 2016.</p>

		<p>Academy of Science Finland, workshop on 'Redefine: beyond MALPE coordination to integrative envisioning', (Keynote lecture). Aug 2016.</p> <p>Aalto University School of Engineering, Masters on Transport &amp; Landuse Planning, (Academic Advisor), Oct 2016.</p> <p>Morgan Centre for Research into Everyday Lives, workshop on 'Sketching the Social World'. (Keynote presentation on visual thinking), July 2016.</p> <p>MBS International Course on Foresight, (Guest Lecturer), July 2016.</p>
<b>Armando Barrientos</b>	November and December 2016	<p>Contributed a paper on 'Asistencia Social y mercado de trabajo' for the Seminar on <i>Protección social no contributiva e inclusión laboral: ¿Hacia un círculo virtuoso?</i>, CEPAL, Santiago, 5 Diciembre 2016</p> <p>Contributed a paper on 'Heterogeneity in Bolsa Família outcomes' to the IRIBA final dissemination workshop <i>Aspects of the Brazilian Development Model</i>, Columbia University Global Center, Rio de Janeiro 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016</p> <p>Participated in a Panel on Universalism in Social Policy at the Latin America Centre, Oxford University, 29th November 2016</p> <p>Examined a PhD at the University of Maastricht, 22nd November 2016</p>
<b>Cecilia Wong</b>	November 2016	<p>Cecilia Wong was invited to present a paper, 'Planning for agglomeration in Britain: from Greater London to the Northern Powerhouse' at the Beijing Forum - Global Megacities and Regional Coordinated Development in the Civilized World, 4-6 November, 2016.</p> <p>Cecilia Wong was invited to be a Research Affiliate of London School of Economics' International Growth Centre and working on its 'Cities that Work' initiative.</p> <p>Cecilia Wong was invited by the Institute of Research in Superdiversity of Birmingham University to participate the IRiS Concepts Roundtable on 22nd November.</p> <p>Cecilia Wong, as part of the <a href="#">Lyons Commission of Housing Review</a>, has contributed towards the publication, 'What more should Government do to promote the building of new homes', the Lyons Housing Commission November 2016.</p>
<b>Ralitza Dimova</b>	November 2016	<p>November 17th: Ralitza gave a keynote talk on "Inequalities and labour markets in transition" at a conference on Youth Employment in the Mediterranean region, organized by the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, Casa Arabe, The Workers Commissions and the General Union of Workers in Spain.</p> <p>Ralitza's contribution to the Work4Youth project of the ILO is now out. It includes a <a href="#">regional report</a>, and an <a href="#">academic paper</a> (as part of the Work4Youth technical brief series).</p>
<b>Steve Courtney</b>	November 2016	<p>Dr Steve Courtney has been awarded an internship as Associate Editor of the international academic journal, <i>Critical Studies in Education</i>, following a competitive process.</p>

<b>Albena Yaneva</b>	November 2016	29-30 November 2016, Aalborg University, keynote lecture, international conference "Material Motilities", Aalborg, Denmark  24 November 2016, Martin-Gropius-Bau, Berlin, invited lecture in the series "Space Practice Knowledge", hosted by "Image Knowledge Gestaltung", an Interdisciplinary Laboratory, Humboldt-Universität Berlin  11-12 November, 2016 – Bauhaus University, Weimar, invited lecture at the conference "relationShips, Sociality and Sociability through Things Interdisciplinary Conference"  10 November 2016, University of Graz, keynote lecture, international conference "Cultural Anthropology meets Architecture", FORUM STADTPARK, Graz, Austria
<b>Alan Lewis</b>	3 November 2016	Invited to give a CPD presentation on "Daylighting in older people's housing" for Pollard Thomas Edwards architects, London.

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## School Information and Notices

### Health and Safety

As the Christmas vacation approaches, to ensure your safety in our School buildings (Arthur Lewis, Ellen Wilkinson and Humanities Bridgeford Street) during all periods of 'out of hours' access, we ask you to observe the following if you are working in the building before 8am or after 6pm on weekdays, or during weekends and public holidays/University closure periods. It is in your own personal interest to follow these guidelines. If it is necessary to access your normal work place, please adhere to these measures for your own safety:

- Ensure the building entrance is locked, i.e. door closes after you have gained access. In particular ensure that no one follows you into the building without presenting their University ID card to you. If this happens politely request that they present their ID and if this is not done then please inform security at the earliest opportunity by telephoning 69966;
- If you do follow someone into the building, as a courtesy and to avoid security being contacted please present your ID card without this being requested;
- Sign in (and out when exiting) using the out of hours register - registers are located at the ground floor reception desks;
- Inform someone else of your location and expected time of return (this is in case you are injured e.g. slip on the stairs);
- If possible keep a mobile phone with you at all times;
- The use of the laboratories during 'out of hours' periods is not permitted except by permission of the Senior Research Technician for specified 'low risk' approved procedures.

Please note the University Security/Emergency number of 69966. Emergency services (Fire, Ambulance, Police) can be obtained by dialling 9999.

Please note the heating is limited/off during weekends and vacation closure so rooms will be cold and there will be minimum IS maintenance.

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## Recruitment and Selection Training

If colleagues haven't already attended one of the Recruitment and Selection Training courses, can they ensure that they book onto one of the courses currently being offered? All panel members are also required to be TEDI trained. Further details can be found by visiting [staffnet](#).

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## Vacancies

Lecturer in Architectural Studies - Closing date: 19 December 2016

Lecturer in Architectural Studies - Closing date: 18 December 2016

For further details visiting [Jobs.manchester.ac.uk](http://Jobs.manchester.ac.uk).

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## New Staff

### December 2016

Erla Thrandardottir, Senior GDI Tutor (Social Development), commenced 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017

Jaco Renken, Lecturer in ICT4D

Corinna Braun-Munzinger, Rising Powers Research Assistant

Natalie Langford appointed, Rising Powers Research Assistant

### January 2017

Rory Stanton, Lecturer in Human Resource Development

Ian Mell Lecturer in Planning & Environmental Management

Stephen Walker, Reader in Architecture

### New Staff in SEED PSS

Asim Ali - Teaching and Learning Clerical Assistant

Rowan Mataram - PGT Administrative Assistant

Denise Whitehead – PGT Programme Administrator

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## Brexit Workshops – Information available online

The University has been running workshops recently to advise EEA staff on Brexit implications. These were chaired by an immigration law specialist from Eversheds solicitors and were well attended and well received. FAQs and other relevant information will be collated and placed on the [University EU website](#).

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## Reminder about the University's Equality and diversity Policy

The University of Manchester is committed to creating an environment where diversity is celebrated and everyone is treated fairly, regardless of gender, disability, ethnic origin, religion or belief, sexual orientation, marital status, age, or nationality. It has a clear [Equality and Diversity Policy](#).

Accompanying this policy are "[Dignity at Work and Study](#)" policies which further protect staff and students during their time at the University, with clear reporting procedures.

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## Teaching, Learning and Students

### Unit Surveys

Semester 1 Unit Surveys will go live 5 December – 23 December 2016

### Turnitin Community space

Faculty eLearning have a new look Turnitin Blackboard Community space, which includes some useful resources for your teaching with Turnitin-Feedback Studio:

- Up-to-date guides on using the new Feedback Studio (including the iPad app for offline marking).
- Updates on new Turnitin features you may not be aware of, plus how to request new features from Turnitin.
- Guides and FAQ pages to answer most of your Turnitin-related queries
- Tips for providing more effective feedback to students
- Links to Faculty assessment policies.

If you don't have access to this site please contact the eLearning team [helen.perkins@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:helen.perkins@manchester.ac.uk).

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## Faculty of Humanities Teaching and Learning Showcase

The next Faculty of Humanities Teaching and Learning Showcase will take place in Alliance Manchester Business School East on Thursday 12/01/17, from 11am to 3pm. The theme for the day is:

### Testing! Testing! Assessment for the New Millennium

What are the challenges associated with assessing students in Higher Education today? And how can we overcome them? Exactly how do teaching staff know that they've engaged with their students, and that their lectures have had the impact they've been aiming for? At this event, we'll explore these questions, and provide some strategies and techniques to guide you through the assessment maze.

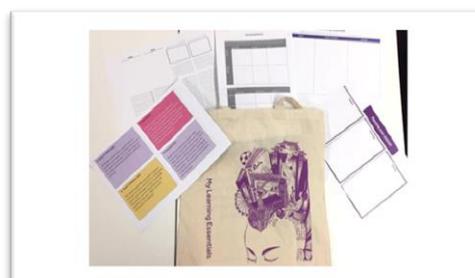
Please use this survey to register for the event, and select the sessions you would like to attend. Details of the presentations can be found on the event website, where you'll also find the timetable for the day. We hope we have offered something of interest for everyone.

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## Library Update

### Revision Survival Pack

Throughout December and January, our Library Student Team will be giving out 'revision survival packs' in the foyer of both the Main Library and Alan Gilbert Learning Commons. The packs will include lots of useful resources to help students revise effectively and more information about the exam support workshops which will take place in January.



Encourage your students to check our blog post 'Revision survival pack: A how-to guide' coming soon on our [My Learning Essentials blog](#). This blog post will provide guidance on how to use the material available in the pack and help students to plan their revision successfully, prepare for exams and boost their academic performance.

### Exam Extra

Looking ahead the Library will once again be running [Exam Extra](#) during January 2017. Students will be able to benefit from revision workshops, wellbeing activities, extended opening hours and additional study space during the busy exam period.



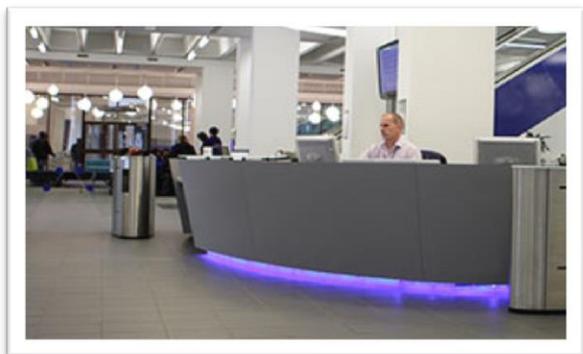
### Browzine

[Browzine](#) is an app (and a website) which enables you to browse, read and monitor current scholarly journal content on your mobile device (or browser). BrowZine works by bringing together articles in Open Access and subscription databases into a single place. You can save your favourite journals, view the tables of contents, and read articles as new issues are released.

### Referencing Support

Visit our new section on [referencing](#) which provides a range of support for staff and students to help save you time and speed up your referencing

### Library Survey



Please encourage your students to complete the [Library Survey](#). We want to know what they think about the Library and they can win a £100 Amazon voucher!

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## Research Centres and Institutes

### Manchester Urban Institute

**Celebrating authored and edited urban books as part of the internal launch of the Manchester Urban Institute**

Early evening on Monday 5 December saw the internal launch of the Manchester Urban Institute (MUI) ([www.mui.manchester.ac.uk](http://www.mui.manchester.ac.uk)). Established on 1 August, the Institute brings together graduate students, post-docs and staff from anthropology, architecture, business studies, development studies, education, engineering, geography, gerontology, health sciences, history, planning, political science and sociology. It builds upon the



work done by cities@manchester over the last few years and unites SEED's five urban research groups, together with other researchers from across campus. With strategic investment from the University of Manchester, the Faculty of Humanities and the School of Environment, Education and Development, MUI will oversee an increase in the intellectual and policy impact of the research of those involved.

As part of the well-attended launch, authored and edited books generated by those within the MUI over the course of 2016 were celebrated. These ten books covered a range of issues, from architecture to co-production, creativity to encounters, experimentation to innovation, policy-making to regeneration, retro-fitting to urban theory. Kicking matters off, Stefan Bouzarvoski spoke about his book *Retrofitting the City: Residential Flexibility, Resilience and the Built Environment* in which he takes on the work that understands retro-fitting as something done to buildings by governmental agencies and private developers. In contrast, his work revealed the often hidden ways in which retro-fitting is done by residents in their own homes. Next Gillian Evans outlined the thinking behind her book *London's Olympic Legacy: The Inside Track* in which she provides an account from within of the drama surrounding the redevelopment associated with the 2012 Olympics, and the wider lessons raised for the transforming of post-industrial landscapes. Finally, Helen Wilson set out the intellectual context for her book with Jonathan Darling, *Encountering the City: From Accra to New York*. This edited collection explores how scholars writing on and in the city explore and experiment with the notion of encounter, subjecting the concept to challenge and revision. To read more about all ten books visit the MUI website: [www.mui.manchester.ac.uk](http://www.mui.manchester.ac.uk)

The external and slightly more formal launch of the MUI will take place in early February, with the visit of Professor Michael Keith from the University of Oxford. This will see the launch of a new website, and the beginning of a programme of events that will run over the course of 2017. More details will be circulated soon.

In the meantime, if you have questions about the MUI please contact the Director, Kevin Ward, [kevin.ward@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:kevin.ward@manchester.ac.uk)

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## Global Development Institute

- [The GDI advent calendar is live!](#) Click through for a daily highlight of the great work carried out by GDI academics in 2016.
- The last GDI Lecture of the semester takes place on 7th December: [click here](#) for details on the schedule and to listen to past lectures.
- The Effective States and Inclusive Development Research Centre (ESID) [was awarded an additional £3.1 million](#) by DFID to extend their research until 2019, bringing the total award of funding to £9.3 million over nine years.
- In November, GDI hosted a public [screening of 'The Divide'](#) at the John Rylands Library, followed by discussion about addressing global inequalities.

- Prof David Hulme wrote in the Guardian about the challenges of reducing income inequality: How has billionaire Donald Trump become the voice of those left behind?
  - GDI interviewed Prof [David Hulme](#) and climate change expert [Saleemul Huq](#) about the effect the incoming Trump Administration might have on global development and the Paris agreement.
- GDI's academics attended and wrote about UN's Habitat III conference:
  - Prof Diana Mitlin discussed how Habitat III could address global inequalities
  - Dr Joanne Jordan asked what Habitat III might do for people affected by climate change
  - Dr Tanja Müller reflected on welcoming refugees in a Berlin neighbourhood
  - Prof Armando Barrientos talked about childhood urban inequalities
  - Dr Luis Eduardo Perez Murcia wrote about the New Urban Agenda and one asylum seeker's experience
- Professor Bina Agarwal spoke at both the Institute of Development Studies in Sussex ([watch here](#)) and at the New School in New York ([watch here](#))
- Professor Tim Jacoby discussed the Islamic State through an analysis of its Dabiq magazine
- Dr Rory Horner wrote a blog to mark World Aids Day
- Dr Joanne Jordan's project, The Lived Experience of Climate Change, was one of three finalists in national Engage Competition run by the National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement (NCCPE) in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences category.
- The latest GDI Working Paper is by Prof Stephanie Barrientos and Adwoa Owusuaa Bobie on Promoting Gender Equality in the Cocoa-Chocolate Value Chain: Opportunities and Challenges in Ghana. This research guided Mondelez International in their new strategy for promoting women's empowerment in cocoa supply chains.
- Prof Armando Barrientos co-edited an Open Access Special Issue of The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance on research by the International research Initiative on Brazil and Africa (IRIBA)
- Prof Philip Woodhouse co-edited a special issue of the Journal of Sothern African Studies on the political economy of sugar in Southern Africa. [Click here to read more.](#)

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