

**TEACHING AND RESEARCH****ACADEMIC DISCIPLINES**

St Antony's specialises in the inter-disciplinary study of large regions of the world. Nonetheless, Fellows of the College are grounded in particular disciplines, and are members of different Faculties. Since the main entries in this Record are by regions, we thought it would be useful to give an indication of the distribution of subjects within the permanent active Fellowship of the College. Of course, many Fellows straddle several disciplines, and, indeed, regions. But the following list gives the primary disciplines of the College's Governing Body in Michaelmas Term 2008. The regional section under which the main biographical entry will be found is indicated in brackets after the name.

**Anthropology**

Dr Walter Armbrust (Middle Eastern Studies)  
Professor Robert Barnes (Asian Studies)  
Professor Roger Goodman (Asian Studies)  
Dr David Pratten (African Studies)

**Comparative Education**

Dr David Johnson (African Studies)

**Economics**

Professor Paul Collier (African Studies)  
Dr Jenny Corbett (Asian Studies)  
Professor Valpy FitzGerald (Latin American Studies)  
Professor Charles (Knick) Harley (European Studies)  
Dr Carol Leonard (Russian and Eurasian Studies)  
Dr Marcus Rebick (Asian Studies)  
Dr Diego Sanchez-Ancochea (Latin American Studies)

**History**

Professor William Beinart (African Studies)  
Professor Jane Caplan (European Studies)  
Dr Faisal Devji (Asian Studies)  
Professor Timothy Garton Ash (European Studies)  
Professor Alan Knight (Latin American Studies)  
Dr Sho Konishi (Asian Studies)  
Professor Margaret MacMillan  
Dr Eugene Rogan (Middle Eastern Studies)  
Professor Robert Service (Russian and Eurasian Studies)  
Dr Steve Tsang (Asian Studies)

**International Relations**

Professor Rosemary Foot (Asian Studies)

Professor Kalypso Nicolaïdis (European Studies)

Dr Alex Pravda (Russian and Eurasian Studies)

Professor Avi Shlaim (Middle Eastern Studies)

**Language and Literature**

Dr Celia Kerslake (Middle Eastern Studies)

**Politics**

Dr Paul Chaisty (Russian and Eurasian Studies)

Professor Joe Foweraker (Latin American Studies)

Dr Nandini Gooptu (Asian Studies)

Dr Abdul Raufu Mustapha (African Studies)

Professor Ian Neary (Asian Studies)

Dr Philip Robins (Middle Eastern Studies)

Professor Vivienne Shue (Asian Studies)

Dr Michael Willis (Middle Eastern Studies)

Professor Jan Zielonka (European Studies)

**Sociology**

Dr Ekaterina Hertog (Asian Studies)

Professor Takehiko Kariya (Asian Studies)

Dr Rachel Murphy (Asian Studies)

Professor Leigh Payne (Latin American Studies)

## AFRICAN STUDIES

### The African Studies Centre

African Studies has flourished at St Antony's for many decades, initially through the location of the Rhodes Chair of Race Relations at the College. The chair was endowed in the 1950s to study race relations with specific reference to Southern Africa, and it has become an African Studies position. Supervisory, conference and seminar activities greatly expanded under Terence Ranger (1987-97), largely on southern and central Africa, and Tony Kirk-Greene, on West Africa and colonial policy. In 1993, the Centre for the Study of African Economies was established as a University ESRC research centre, linked to the college. Under the Directorship of Professor Paul Collier, it has attracted major research funding. The expansion of masters' programmes in fields such as Development Studies, Economic and Social History, Forced Migration, Politics and International Relations, Geography, Economics for Development, and Social Anthropology has led to a rapid increase in the number of students at the college who focus on Africa. St Antony's has one of the largest concentrations of doctoral students working on Africa in the University.

In October 2004, a University African Studies Centre was launched, located at the College in 21 Winchester Road. Since October 2007 the centre has been housed at 92 Woodstock Road. The Centre is a unit, or sub-department, of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS), a full department in the Social Sciences Division. This represents a major initiative within the University to protect and develop Oxford's unique strengths in Area Studies. It has provided African Studies – working alongside other Centres - with a secure institutional base within the University and important opportunities.

In October 2005 an MSc in African Studies was launched with 24 students from 10 countries. Admissions increased to 30 in 2006-7 and 42 in 2007-8. The MSc programme in African Studies welcomed its fourth cohort in October 2008, the 30 students being spread between nine colleges across the University and St Antony's taking nine. The quality of the students was again very high, and they participated fully and energetically in the many activities organized through the Centre over the year.

During 2008-09 the Centre had six core staff: David Anderson, Director of the Centre, a Fellow of St Cross, and Professor of African Politics; William Beinart, Fellow of St Antony's, Rhodes Chair of Race Relations; Dr David Pratten, the Atiku Abubakar Fellow at St Antony's and University Lecturer in African Anthropology; Dr Nic Cheeseman, University Lecturer in African Politics at Jesus College; Dr H  l  ne Neveu-Kringlebach, the Evans Pritchard Departmental Lecturer in African Anthropology at St Anne's College, and Dr Matteo Rizzo, a Departmental Lecturer in African Studies and Atiku Abubakar Research Fellow of St Antony's. Wanja Knighton who returned from maternity leave (which was covered by Rosalind Monk) continues as our administrator and is ably assisted by Sabrina Souza.

In addition we have had a number of research fellows attached to the centre and some also to St Antony's. Dr Christopher Low held a Wellcome Trust 'Value in People' award to continue his study of environmental influences on medical ideas and practices in Southern Africa. Dr Neil Carrier has been working alongside David Anderson on a number of research projects including the AHRC-funded project 'Trauma and Personhood in Late Colonial Kenya', examining the photographic collection of the late Edward Margetts, head of Mathari Hospital, Nairobi, in the 1950s. Professor David Turton, Dr Marco Bassi and Dr Graciela Gil-Romera continue to work on an AHRC-funded environmental history project on Ethiopia (with David Anderson). Dr Hugh Macmillan (Leverhulme Research Officer) has been working on the South African ANC in Zambia (with William Beinart).

There are in addition three other College-based Africanists on Governing Body: Professor Paul Collier, Director of the Centre for the Study of African Economies; Dr Raufu Mustapha, Kirk-Greene fellow, and University Lecturer in African Politics, based at Development Studies; and Dr David Johnson, University Lecturer in Comparative Education. Terence Ranger, Emeritus Professor of Race Relations, Tony Kirk-Greene, Emeritus Fellow continue to participate in the Centre's activities. In addition to those mentioned valuable support in teaching and supervision on the MSc came from colleagues around the University including Dr Sloan Mahone (St Cross), Professor Jocelyn Alexander (Linacre), Dr Raufu Mustapha (St Antony's), Dr Karen Brown (Wellcome Unit), Dr Jan-Georg Deutsch (St Cross), Professor Peter Mitchell (St Hugh's), Dr Tony Lemon (Mansfield), Professor Elleke Bohmer (Wolfson), Dr Ben Knighton (Oxford Centre for Mission Studies), Dr Phil Clarke (Socio-Legal Studies), Dr Phillip Roesler (St Peter's), and Dr Ricardo Soares de Oliveira (St Peter's).

A number of scholars visited the Centre during the 2008-09 academic year. Professor Peter Little (University of Kentucky) gave the first seminar of the year: 'Negotiating Statelessness in southern Somalia'. Godwin Murunga (Kenyatta University) gave a paper at the workshop 'The Kenya crisis: neglected themes'. Dr Flora Hajdu (Uppsala University) pursued her research interests in rural livelihood strategies in Southern Africa. Professor Odile Goerg (University Paris-7 Denis Diderot) undertook research on leisure and culture, mainly on the history of cinema in colonial Africa. Dr Jacqui Goldin (University of Natal) and Dr Andrew Ainslie were Openheimer Visitors in Hilary Term and both gave papers on the South Africa seminar series at the College. Monika Sommer (Hamburg University) worked on Gambella identity in Ethiopia, and Dr Makonen Getu has been based at the centre throughout the year working on a range of issues including microfinance, aid efficiency, human trafficking, grassroots leadership development, and faith and development.

The Terrence Ranger Reading Room at the centre houses a non-circulating collection of around 8,000 specialist Africanist books and periodicals which is used primarily as a teaching collection for the MSc programme. The original holding was a donation from Chris Allen who studied at the University of Oxford and lectured in African Studies for many years at the University of Edinburgh. In recent years the collection has been significantly enhanced by generous donations from Terrence Ranger, Tony Kirk-Greene, James Currey, Rhodes House, Ruskin College, David Zeitlyn, Odile Goerg, Flora Hajdu and Richard Stanley. We have been ably assisted in cataloguing the collection by Allison Saunders, Alex Free and Ana Santos.

The weekly research seminar in African Studies was very well attended throughout the year as was the South Africa postgraduate seminar series on Wednesdays during term time. Prof Mamadou Diouf (Columbia University) gave the African Studies Annual Lecture at St Antony's College "Islam, the 'Originaires' and the making of the public space in a colonial city: Saint Louis of Senegal." Our annual lectures are now available as podcasts via the university's iTunes U pages (<http://itunes.ox.ac.uk/>).

The Centre hosted and sponsored a large number of workshops during the year. Among them was the 10th Annual Researching Africa Day, convened by Lillian Cherotich (St Antony's) and Leigh Gardner (Jesus), which attracted some 50 doctoral researchers as well as masters students, and the annual Britain-Zimbabwe research meeting which was again held in St Antony's at the end of Trinity Term, with support from the Centre.

The ORISHA scholarships, open to all students studying Africa, were held by William Attwell and Justin Pearce, who also won the Callaway prize for the best writing on Africa. The Kirk-Greene prize

for the best performance in the MSc for 2008-9 was won by Aidan Russell, the Ranger prize, awarded for the best MSc dissertation by Janet Remington, and the most innovative dissertation prize was awarded to James Smith.

Further detail of the activities of the African Studies Centre can be viewed at our web site: [www.africanstudies.ox.ac.uk](http://www.africanstudies.ox.ac.uk)

### **Governing Body Fellows**

PROFESSOR WILLIAM BEINART was chair of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (of which the African Studies Centre is part) until the end of September 2008. The School has grown quickly over the last couple of years and he was much involved in this expansion - particularly in the fields of contemporary China, Indian and African Studies, as well as in administrative consolidation of the School. Since then he has been on leave. He became President of the African Studies Association of the United Kingdom in September and has initiated a programme of teaching fellowships for African Universities, as well Writing Workshops for postgraduates and postdoctoral scholars. He has completed, with Luvuyo Wotshela, a book on the history of a plant in South Africa, and an edited volume, with Marcelle Dawson, on the recent history of popular politics in South Africa. He has continued research on veterinary history, doing fieldwork in former Transkei. He gave papers at the Universities of Fort Hare, Cape Town, Stellenbosch, Witwatersrand, Pretoria, St Andrews, and Sussex and attended a conference in Nairobi on British/African Academic Partnerships.

Publications: 'Beyond the Colonial Paradigm: African History and Environmental History in Large-Scale Perspective' in Edmund Burke and Kenneth Pomeranz, *The Environment and World History* (University of California Press, Berkeley, 2009), (updating of a 2000 article); 'Experts and Expertise in Africa Reconsidered', *African Affairs*, 108, 432 (2009), (with Karen Brown and Dan Gilfoyle); 'Strategies of the Poor and Some Problems of Land Reform in the Eastern Cape, South Africa: an Argument against Recommunalisation' in Timothy Chesters (ed), *Land Rights* (OUP, Oxford, 2009), 177-201. *Environment and Empire* (with Lotte Hughes, OUP 2007) came out in paperback.

DR DAVID PRATTEN is University Lecturer in the Social Anthropology of Africa and Atiku Abubakar Fellow in African Studies. During the summer vacation he concluded his fieldwork in Southern Nigeria on youth livelihoods and violence as part of his British Academy funded project. During the year he presented papers from his research on youth, masquerades and vigilantism at the Free University, Brussels, Brunel University, the Institute of Graduate Studies, Geneva, and the University of Oxford. He is currently editing a reader entitled 'Readings in Youth in Africa' and is writing his second monograph. During the year he published 'Masking Youth: Transformation and Transgression in Annang Performance', *African Arts* 41(4). His first monograph, 'The Man-Leopard Murders: History and Society in Colonial Nigeria' was recently awarded the 2007 Amaury Talbot Prize for African Anthropology by the Royal Anthropological Institute.

MATTEO RIZZO, Departmental Lecturer in African Studies and Atiku Abubakar Fellow. During 2008/09 he published two papers. The first is a critique of NGOs' responses to the World Bank's *World Development Report 2008*, published as part of a symposium on the WDR2008 by the *Journal of Agrarian Change*. The second paper was published by the *Journal of Eastern African Studies*. It draws on his doctoral work, and analyses the interplay of politics and economics in the life history of an upwardly mobile rural entrepreneur. During the same year he presented further work in progress on the WDR2008 (on the significance of its incoherent message on rural labour markets) and on class consciousness in the Tanzanian informal economy in Cambridge, at SOAS and at an ILO workshop on labour markets and inequality in Geneva. During the summer vacation he will visit Tanzania to carry out research on the informal economy and to further his preparation of a research bid to the ESRC.

#### **Emeritus Fellow**

TERENCE RANGER was unwell for part of the period. However, he attended and spoke at a number of conferences. From July 15-19, 2008 he attended 'Obeah and Other Powers' at the University of Newcastle giving the closing Africanist summary. In September he gave evidence as the 'expert witness' in the Zimbabwe Country Guidance case, HN, before the Asylum and Immigration Tribunal, which resulted in a major determination. In late October he went to Cape Town to attend as Senior Historical Adviser a workshop of Zimbabwean historians to discuss their draft chapters for a one volume history of Zimbabwe. In early November he spoke at the University of Zimbabwe in Harare about his current writing, focussing particularly on the interactions of history and literature. On November 20 he took part in a day on Human Rights in Zimbabwe at New College, Oxford and spoke on 'Asylum abuses of Zimbabwean Human Rights in Britain'. On 29 April 2009 he delivered the inaugural lecture for the University of Birmingham's new Centre of Contemporary History – 'Being Contemporary. Reflections on Sovereignty and Globalisation'. On June 20 he gave a paper to the Britain Zimbabwe Society Research Day on Soldiers and War, speaking about African soldiers in the late 1940s and early 1950s.

Publications: 'Introduction' to Peter Mackay, *We Have Tomorrow*, Michael Russell, Wilby, November 2008. 'Preface' to the online collection of essays and document accompanying the publication of *The Rose of Rhodesia*, a rediscovered silent film from 1919; 'Reclaiming the African City: the World and the Township', in Achim von Oppen and Ulrike Freitag, eds. *Translocality. The Study of the Globalisation Process from a Southern Perspective*, Brill, 2009.

#### **Senior Associate Member**

ALEX DUNCAN continued to work on the political economy of development. With colleagues, he completed a Joint Governance Assessment of Rwanda, covering government effectiveness, human rights, and the climate for private investment. This was the first such assessment anywhere to have been undertaken jointly by the government and its international development partners. He produced a paper reflecting on lessons learned. With David Booth of ODI, he designed and delivered (in the UK and in Mozambique) courses on political economy, primarily for officials of development agencies. He was part-author of the standard paper for the UK Department for International Development on how to undertake analyses of political constraints on development.

He was lead author for the OECD of a mid-term review of progress in implementing the Paris Declaration, the set of commitments made in 2005 by 120 governments and organisations to improve the effectiveness of international aid. Also for the OECD he wrote the chairman's report of the Third High Level Forum on Aid Effectiveness, held in Accra in September, and in May 2009 a letter from the Chairman of the OECD's Development Assistance Committee to ministers outlining measures that should be taken to mitigate the effects on developing countries of the current international economic crisis. He also worked in Bangladesh, in supporting a study of the political

economy of police reform, and leading an assessment of international support for the December 2008 election. He continues as a trustee of Save the Children UK.

Publications: "Politics and growth," Gareth Williams, Alex Duncan, Pierre Landell-Mills and Sue Unsworth. *Development Policy Review* 27:1, January 2009; "Aid Effectiveness: a progress report on implementing the Paris Declaration," OECD Paris. ISBN No. 9789264050860. February 2009; "Rwanda: Joint Governance Assessment," report prepared for the Government of Rwanda and its development partners, July 2008 (with G. Williams, T. Sheehy, P. Landell-Mills et al.); "Carrying out a Joint Governance Assessment - Lessons from Rwanda". Policy Brief 5, The Policy Practice. Gareth Williams, Alex Duncan, Pierre Landell-Mills, Sue Unsworth, Tim Sheehy. January 2009.

### **The Centre for the Study of African Economies**

The Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) is located partly with the University Department of Economics and partly in St Antony's College, at 21 Winchester Road, Oxford. Its mission is to apply modern research methods to improve economic and social conditions for the poorest societies in the world. Research is both microeconomic, with a focus on the problems facing individual producers (farms and firms) in Africa, and macroeconomic. It ranges from studies on the assets and economic performance of agricultural market traders in Benin and Malawi, to the determinants of inflation in South Africa, and how the government and central bank can best reduce it.

The Centre not only conducts research but also trains doctoral students. Former students are now employed in African universities and research institutions, as well as in African Central Banks, the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank.

Results of the Centre's research are disseminated both in Africa and internationally. CSAE is home to the Journal of African Economies, which is widely circulated in Africa and which funds the annual JAE Fellowship programme. This programme enables three African academics to spend a term at the CSAE. Centre staff participate in a wide range of activities within Africa, including data collection for both households and firms, training and discussion with both the business and policy-making communities. The Centre collaborates closely with such organisations as the African Economic Research Consortium, the Economic Commission for Africa, and the African Development Bank. Together with these organisations, CSAE is building a body of informed opinion on economic policy within the continent. The Centre has a strong research reputation, which provides the basis for its increasing involvement in policy debates and other assistance to African governments and international organisations and the CSAE annual conference is an internationally renowned event for economists. The next conference will be held 20-23 March 2010.

The CSAE is currently leading a major DFID funded Research Programme Consortium, directed by Paul Collier, *'Improving institutions for pro-poor growth in Africa and South Asia'* with partners in Uganda, Nigeria, Ethiopia, Kenya, Bangladesh and India. South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa represent the two great challenges as regards meeting the Millennium Development Goal of halving global poverty by 2015 and there is growing evidence that the impediments to generating pro-poor growth in these two regions are institutional in nature. Social, legal, economic and political institutions powerfully affect the pattern of investment and growth and the extent to which the poor participate in that growth. The objective of the proposed consortium is to produce a new body of policy-relevant research on the institutional reforms needed to promote pro-poor growth in South Asia and sub-Saharan Africa. The iiG website is at <http://www.iig.ox.ac.uk/>

The CSAE is also a partner in a second Research Programme Consortium *RECOUP* studying the outcomes of education for pro-poor development. The research agenda comprises work on the effect of education on three broad sets of outcomes. The first is related to the social consequences of education which includes health, fertility and subjective well-being. The second is economic outcomes which comprise not simply the earnings individuals obtain from education but how it affects their chances of getting a job and the type of job that they can obtain. Finally, *RECOUP* will be investigating the outcomes of alternative methods of funding education.

During 2008, the CSAE was awarded funding from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to run a programme 'Transforming economic policies towards the poor'. This has enabled the recruitment of two new research officers and a communications officer as well as supporting a number of

initiatives, in particular the 'Africa Means Business' project, designed to build cross continent communications capacity in the media, financial and business sectors.

The CSAE has continued its data collection work in Africa. In recent years the range of surveys undertaken by the Centre has been extended to include survey work on NGOs and coffee farmers in Uganda, panel labour market surveys in both Tanzania and Ghana, and surveys of Ghanaian cocoa farmers. The panel labour market surveys in Ghana and Tanzania are designed to capture movement between jobs so that the sources of lifetime earnings can be measured. The household data collection in Ethiopia is a panel that, for a subset of the sample, can trace households over the period from 1989 to 2004. It provides a unique, long-term panel data set to analyse the changes in socio-economic conditions and welfare over the last 15 years, and has informed rural development policy advice to the Ethiopian government and international agencies. The work on Ghana cocoa farms is one of the first panel data sets on farmers in Africa that allows investigation of issues of the impact of liberalisation, the effects of migration and the determinants of labour and land productivities across the size range of farms.

The Centre produces a Working Paper Series, operates a programme of lunch-time seminars on Tuesdays and Wednesdays during term, and runs workshops and conferences. We also publish an annual research summary which is available on our website and CSAE staff are available to discuss their work by phone or by email.

For further information about the CSAE including details of all research programmes, key datasets and staff contact details, please see our website at <http://www.csae.ox.ac.uk/> For general enquiries please telephone +44 (0)1865 271 084 or email [csae.enquiries@economics.ox.ac.uk](mailto:csae.enquiries@economics.ox.ac.uk)

#### **Governing Body Fellow**

PROFESSOR PAUL COLLIER, Professorial Fellow, and Director of the CSAE has been awarded a CBE for services to scholarship and development. His book, *The Bottom Billion: Why the poorest countries are failing and what can be done about it*, has won four international prizes: the Lionel Gelber Prize; the Arthur Ross Book Award; the Corine International Book Award; and the Estoril Global Issues Book Prize. His latest book *Wars, guns and votes: Democracy in dangerous places* was published by OUP in February 2009. He has been awarded honorary degrees by the University of Sheffield and CERDI, University of Auvergne, and amongst numerous speaking engagements, spoke at TED 2008 (<http://www.ted.com/talks/view/id/270>) and TED/US State Department 2009 (<http://edition.cnn.com/2009/POLITICS/06/12/ted.conference/index.html>). Paul Collier has published papers in a wide range of journals and books, details of which are available from his website <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~econpco/>

#### **Research Fellow**

DR ANKE HOEFFLER, Research Officer, CSAE. During the past academic year Anke Hoeffler has continued with her research on the macroeconomics of developing countries, the economics of conflict and political economy. Her most recent publication is the co-authored article 'Testing the Neocon Agenda: Democracy in Resource-Rich Countries' in the *European Economic Review* (with Paul Collier). During the past year she has also been involved in various advocacy tasks and was invited to speak at the UN International Peace Academy, the German Development Corporation (GTZ) and at Wilton Park. A full list of Anke Hoeffler's publications and activities are posted on her website, <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~ball0144>.

## ASIAN STUDIES

### The Asian Studies Centre

Dr Rachel Murphy, University Lecturer in the Sociology of China, took over the Directorship of the Centre in October 2008. The following joined the Management Committee: Dr Ekaterina Hertog, Career Development Fellow in Sociology of Japan, and Professor Takehiko Kariya, Professor in the Sociology of Japanese Society, both Governing Body Fellows at St Antony's and attached to the Nissan Institute; and Dr Clarinda Still, Departmental Lecturer in Indian Studies in the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies and Junior Research Fellow at St Antony's.

In Michaelmas Term Professor Rosemary Foot organised a seminar series entitled 'China and the World: History, Politics and Security'. Speakers and their topics were: Professor Timothy Brook (Oxford) on 'China and globalization: some forgotten history'; Dr Muthiah Alagappa (East-West Center, Washington DC) on 'China and the changing Asian strategic landscape'; Dr Shogo Suzuki (Manchester) on 'International hierarchy and China's quest for status'; Dr Bates Gill (Stockholm International Peace Research Institute) on 'China and the challenge of global weapons proliferation'; Professor Allen Carlson (Cornell) on 'More than the usual suspects: looking beyond nationalism in the study of Chinese politics'; Dr Kathy Morton (Australian National University) on 'China's environmental challenges in an interdependent world'; Dr James Reilly (Oxford) on 'The role of public opinion in China's Japan policy: 1997-2007'; Professor Chen Zhimin (Fudan University) on 'Multilateralism and China's foreign policy'; and Daniel Large (SOAS) on 'A turbulent state: the changing politics of China's engagement with Sudan'. Also in Michaelmas Term Professor Foot convened a Special Seminar by writer and documentary film-maker Sun Shuyun on the subject of 'A year in Tibet'.

In Hilary Term Dr Rachel Murphy co-convened a Contemporary China Seminar Series with Dr Eileen Walsh at the University of Oxford China Centre. There was also a Special Seminar entitled 'Rethinking Tiananmen 1989' given by Dr Wang Dan, Senior Associate Member at St Antony's, which attracted much interest. In the Easter vacation Dr Murphy co-convened a one-day workshop with Mavis Maclean (Social Policy). This was co-sponsored by the British Inter-University China Centre, University of Oxford, and was entitled 'Cross-cultural communication: effective communication with Chinese people in education, business and everyday life'. Speakers were Dr Mona Chung (Deakin University), Professor Richard Ingleby (North China University of Technology), Dr Catherine Xiang (Bristol) and Dr Janette Ryan (Monash University).

At the end of Trinity Term Professor Billy KL So, Professor of History at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and Senior Associate Member at St Antony's, gave a Special Seminar on the subject of 'Chinese legal reforms of the 1990s and the 1070s: any relevance of the past to the present and future?'

The Southeast Asian Studies Seminar convened by Dr Eva-Lotta Hedman met during Michaelmas and Hilary Terms. Speakers and their topics were: Dr Catherine Allerton (LSE) on 'Drum houses and monkey-huts; village resettlement and the politics of landscape in West Flores'; Dr Andrew Walter (LSE) on 'Governing finance in Southeast Asia: the post-crisis experience'; Dr Sandra Dudley (Leicester) on 'Materialising exile: rethinking the experience of Karenni refugees in Thailand'; Dr Bridget Welsh (Johns Hopkins) on 'Malaysia's democratization: rhetoric or reality'; Dr Claudia Merli (Durham) on 'Traditional midwives in southern Thailand and hybridization of birth cosmology'; and Dr Filomeno Abel (Visiting Scholar from East Timor at Campion Hall, Oxford) on 'East Timor: challenges of nation building'. The seminar which was scheduled to be given by Professor Greg

Bankoff (Hull) on 'Cultures of disaster, cultures of coping: hazard as a frequent life experience in the Philippines' had to be cancelled because of snow.

The South Asian Studies Seminar Series is the new name agreed by the Management Committee for the South Asian Studies Programme. The Series was organised this year by Dr Jeevan Deol, Departmental Lecturer in South Asian History in the History Faculty and Research Fellow at St Antony's College for this academic year. The theme for the seminars in Michaelmas Term was 'Alternative Nationalisms in South Asia'. Dr Justin Jones (Cambridge) spoke on 'Muslim and Indian: Muslim personal law and the fragmentation of religious authority in post-colonial India'; Dr Ben Zachariah (Sheffield) on 'Nationalisms and how to survive them: notes on a long and circular debate'; Dr Akbar Zaidi (Cambridge) on 'Knowledge or education? Contested responses to "humiliation" among Muslims in north India, ca. 1860-1900'; Dr Humeira Iqtidar (Cambridge) on 'Colonial secularism and Islamism: a relationship of creativity'; Dr Sarah Ansari (Royal Holloway, London) on 'Sindhi nationalism: colonial past and postcolonial present'; Professor Faisal Devji (New School/Oxford) on 'The terrorist in search of humanity'; and Dr Megha Kumar (Oxford) on 'Muslim women and national identity in communal riots in Gujrat, 1965-92'.

In Hilary Term Dr Siobhan Hurley-Lambert (Nottingham-Trent) spoke on 'A Muslim woman in Edwardian Britain: travel, gender and nationalism'; Professor Polly O'Hanlon (St Cross) on 'Narratives of penance and purification in eighteenth century Hindu India'; Alexander Evans (Nuffield) on 'A social and political history of Pakistani-administered Kashmir'; and Dr Jon Wilson (King's College London) on 'Real politics, bare life and the post-national state: Bangladesh in 1975'. There were also PRS presentations in Weeks 6 and 8.

In Trinity Term Professor Polly O'Hanlon (Faculty of Oriental Studies) and Dr David Washbrook (Cambridge) organised a two-day Oxford Early Modern South Asia Workshop jointly with the Faculty of Oriental Studies. This was entitled 'Religious Cultures in South Asia, c. 1500-1800' and was well-attended. Speakers were Professor Monika Horstmann (Heidelberg), Professor Jack Hawley (Columbia), Professor Tony Stewart (North Carolina State), Dr Francesca Orsini (SOAS), Professor Heidi Pauwels (Washington), Professor Supriya Gandhi (Harvard), Professor Muzaffar Alam (Chicago), Professor Christian Novetzke (Washington), Professor Christopher Minkowski (Oxford), Professor Donald Davis (Wisconsin-Madison), Professor Polly O'Hanlon, Professor Axel Michaels (Heidelberg), Dr Nina Mirnig (Oxford), Professor Hephzibah Israel and Professor Tanika Sarkar (both of Delhi University).

### **The Taiwan Studies Programme**

The Programme has continued as a component of the Asian Studies Centre under the Directorship of Dr Steve Tsang, with its usual schedule of activities. The Michaelmas Term seminar was given by Andrew Hsia, Deputy Foreign Minister of Taiwan, on the subject of 'Taiwan's foreign policy under Ma Ying-Jeou: a return to the 1990s or a new paradigm?'. In Hilary Term the seminar was given by Professor Christopher Hughes (LSE) who spoke on 'Confronting the global economic slowdown: the impact on cross-strait relations'. Unfortunately the Trinity Term seminar, to be given by Professor Thomas Christensen (Princeton), had to be cancelled at the last minute as a result of an unexpected family emergency, but he is committed to re-schedule his visit to Oxford in Michaelmas Term.

A two-day Roundtable was organised by Dr Tsang in Trinity Term on the subject of 'A new paradigm or restoring the "1992 consensus"?: cross-strait relations under Ma Ying-jeou's first year in office'. On day one Professor Tzong-ho Bau (National Taiwan University) spoke on 'Resurrecting the "1992 Consensus"?'; Professor Chris Hughes (LSE) on 'The legacies of the Chen administration on cross-strait relations'; Professor Jean-Pierre Cabestan (Baptist Hong Kong University) on 'The fundamental

drivers in cross-strait relations: what has changed and what has not changed?'; Dr Francis Kan (National Chengchi University) on 'What does the Ma administration hope to achieve?'; and Professor Suisheng Zhao (Denver) on 'What does Beijing want to achieve in cross-strait relations under Ma?'. On day two Dr David Wei-feng Huang (Academia Sinica) spoke on 'What role can the DPP play? What are the implications?'; Dr Szu-chien Hsu (Academia Sinica, IPSAS) on 'How far does public opinion in Taiwan impact upon the warming of relations?'; Dr Don Keyser (Stanford, Shorenstein APARC) on 'From Bush to Obama: has the US assessment of its interests and commitments changed?'; and Professor Edward Friedman (Wisconsin) on 'What is new and what is not?'. The following participants acted as chairs of sessions: Dr Steve Tsang, Professor Cheng-yi Lin (Academia Sinica/INPR), Rod Wye (FCO), Michael Reilly (formerly British Trade & Cultural Office, Taipei), Dr Valérie Niquet (IFRI, Paris), David Coates (formerly British Trade & Cultural Office in Taipei), Professor Gary Rawsley (Leeds), Dr Rex Li (Liverpool John Moores) and Dr Dafydd Fell (SOAS).

### **The Nissan Institute of Japanese Studies**

Following the successful launch of our masters' programme in the study of modern Japan in 2007 we welcomed our second cohort in October 2008, again 14 students. In addition Sho Konishi, who had been in Japan on study leave since December 2007, came back to Oxford where he was joined by two new arrivals, Dr Ekaterina Hertog and Professor Takehiko Kariya both of whom are joint appointments with the Department of Sociology.

In April we said farewell to Professors Miyashita and Eto from Tokyo Metropolitan and Tokyo Keizai Universities respectively. They had both spent twelve months with us as visiting fellows in the institute. Meanwhile in September Professor John Maher a socio-linguist from the International Christian University joined us as a visitor. He has contributed to the graduate studies seminars and presented a paper about his current research on the languages of Japan. Nihei Norihiro a scholar funded by the Japan Society for the Promotion of Science arrived in October with the intention of staying with us for a year but he was offered a full time post at Hosei University at the start of 2009 and so he left us after only six months in March.

The cooperation between those across the university who are engaged in the teaching about Japan which developed in new ways with the creation of the masters' programme evolved still further in 2008/9 with the establishment of regular meetings to discuss common strategies for Japanese studies at Oxford. One concrete manifestation of this new collaboration was the publication of a newsletter about Japanese Studies in Oxford University. This will be developed into an annual publication.

### *Seminars*

Michaelmas Term 2008: Richard J. Samuels, 'Understanding Japan's National Security Strategy'; Kweku Ampiah, 'The Spring of Asian International Politics and Japan's attempt to assert an Independent Foreign Policy in the 1950s'; Omi Hatashin, 'Crime and Culture: Corporate crime and criminal justice in different cultural environments'; Marie Suetsugu, 'Japan, the Postcolonial, and Myself: From In-Betweenness to Subjectivity'; Andrew Cobbing, 'The port of Hakata: gateway or revolving door?'; Junko Yamashita, 'Non-profit Organisations, Care services and Gender: A case study of Japanese Long Term Care Insurance Act'; Peter Cave, 'Culture, institution, psychology? Why are junior high schools in Japan so different from primary schools?'; Akira Iriye, Charles Warren Research Professor Emeritus of History, Harvard University, 'Transnational Moments'.

Hilary Term 2009: Dr Christoph Brumann, 'Open Skies over the Imperial City: The Miraculous Turnaround in Kyoto's Townscape Policies'; Dr Aya Nishizono-Maher, 'The Primary and Secondary

Prevention of Eating Disorders: the interface between education and mental health'; Professor John Maher, 'The Case for Multilingual Japan: 1968-2008'; Dr Gaye Rowley, 'Nakanoin Nakako and the gekirin scandal of 1609: researching a woman's life in 17<sup>th</sup> century Japan'; Maki Fukuoka, 'Between seeing and knowing: *materia medica*, *honzō-gaku*, and the concept of shashin'; Dr Norihiro Nihei, 'The Restructuring of 'Civil Society' in Japan, 1990s-2000s'; Professor Charles Fenwick, 'Myths and Reality: Street Crime, Foreigners, Fear, and Safety in Contemporary Japan'; Nobutaka Fukuda, 'Shotgun' Marriages in Contemporary Japan: Who is a front-runner?'

Trinity Term 2009: Mr Ken Okamura, 'What can the Japanese banking crisis teach us about today's crisis'; Dr Aya Homei, 'The Contentious Death of Mr. Kuboyama: Radiation sickness and medical research in cold-war Japan'; Professor Michael Lucken, 'Around a few Bones : monuments for 'Class-A war criminals' in Post-war Japan'; Dr Maki Umemura, 'Unrealised Potential: Japan's Post-War Pharmaceutical Industry'; Dr Ayumi Takenaka, 'Re-Migration of Immigrants and Its Consequences for Japan'.

No books were published during the year in the Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series but we have three books in the pipeline for July 2009 - July 2010.

Miss Jane Baker remains the Institute Secretary, and Mrs Izumi Tytler continues as Librarian of the Bodleian Japanese Library. Kaori Nishizawa is the Nissan Instructor of Japanese.

### **Governing Body Fellows**

PROFESSOR RH BARNES is Faculty Fellow and Professor of Social Anthropology. He published the following articles: 'The Grooming of a Raja: Don Lorenzo Diaz Vieira Godinho of Larantuka, Flores, Indonesia.' *Indonesia and the Malay World* (2009) 37:107, and 'A Temple, a Mission, and a War: Jesuit Missionaries and Local Culture in East Flores in the Nineteenth Century.' *Bijdragen tot de Taal-, Land- en Volkenkunde* (2009) 165:1.

DR JENNY CORBETT, Faculty Fellow and Reader in the Economy of Japan, is a specialist on the Japanese economy. Her research covers macro-economic policy issues and banking and finance. She has also written on financial systems in economies in transition, on the Asian financial crisis of 1997 and on the global financial crisis. Her current research interests include the liberalisation of trade in financial services in the Asia Pacific region and the appropriate policy design for closer financial integration in the region.

Since August 2005 she has been dividing her time between the Australian National University and the College, spending Trinity Terms in 2006 and 2007 in Oxford. In Australia she is Executive Director of the Australia-Japan Research Centre which focuses on the economic interaction between Australia and Japan and their strategic interests in the Asia Pacific region.

In 2008 she directed a project on services trade liberalisation in ASEAN for the Economic Research Institute for ASEAN and East Asia, (ERIA) which she helped to establish in 2007. Under her 3 year Australian Research Council Grant on Setting Priorities for Services Trade Reform she organised a conference in Canberra on methods for measuring and assessing the economic significance of services barriers to trade. The AJRC also ran an international conference on Competition Policy Reform in Japan, Australia and East Asia.

In June 2008, she again co-organised the annual conference on the Japanese economy in Tokyo with the Boston-based National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Tokyo University and the Australia-Japan Research Centre.

She established a new web-based research network The Australian Research Network on the Japanese Economy (ARNJE) with a grant from the Australia-Japan Foundation and convened its first research workshop in Canberra.

During the year she contributed a note on “Marching to different tunes: explaining different responses to the sub-prime crisis” to the Crawford School Policy Brief on the Credit Crunch and completed the manuscript of an edited book comparing labour market reforms in Australia and Japan which will be published in 2010.

She maintains her position as a Research Fellow of the Centre for Economic Policy Research (London) and a Research Associate of the Centre on Japanese Economy and Business at Columbia University (New York). She is also a non-executive director of the Canberra-based credit union, Service One Members Banking.

PROFESSOR ROSEMARY FOOT is the Sir John Swire Senior Research Fellow in the International Relations of East Asia. During Michaelmas Term, she organized a seminar series for the Asian Studies Centre and Centre for International Studies on China and the World. Featuring speakers from Europe, including Oxford itself, and the United States, it proved to be a useful and successful weekly event. Over the course of the academic year, she has given a number of papers at home and overseas on topics ranging from global governance to aspects of Asia-Pacific security, including in Beijing, Shanghai, New York, Birmingham, London, and Washington DC. In June 2009, she spoke on US-China relations at the College’s alumni open day. Publications this year include ‘China’s policies towards the Asia-Pacific region: changing perceptions of self and changing others’ perceptions of China?’ in Hsin-Huang Michael Hsiao and Cheng-yi Lin (eds) *Rise of China: Beijing’s strategies and implications for the Asia-Pacific* (Routledge) and ‘The Chinese and President-elect Obama: What some Chinese Expect’, *Harvard International Review*, (December 2008). She continues her research and writing for a co-authored book on the United States, China, and global order and hopes to complete a first draft by the end of this summer.

PROFESSOR ROGER GOODMAN, Professorial Fellow and Nissan Professor of Modern Japanese Studies, continued in his position as the Head of the Social Sciences Division. On the academic front, he saw the publication of a number of articles, including: ‘The state of Japanese welfare; welfare and the Japanese state’, pp. 96-108 in Martin Seeleib-Kaiser (ed.), *Welfare State Transformations*, London: Macmillan Palgrave, 2008; and (with Sachi Hatakenaka and Terri Kim), *The Changing Status of Vocational Higher Education in Contemporary Japan and South Korea: A Discussion Paper*, UNESCO-UNEVOC Discussion Paper Series, No. 4, UNEVOC, Bonn, Germany, 2009. During the course of the year, he gave public lectures at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver and the University of Washington in Seattle. He remained on the Editorial Board of the following journals: *Journal of Japanese Studies*; *European Journal of East Asian Studies*; *Japan Aktuell*; *Japanese Studies*; *Journal of East Asian Social Policy*; *Journal of Asian Public Policy* and Joint Editor (with Arthur Stockwin) of the Nissan Institute/Routledge Japanese Studies Series.

DR NANDINI GOOPTU, Faculty Fellow and University Reader in South Asian Studies, is the Senior Tutor of the College at present. She continues her research on the social and political consequences of economic liberalisation and globalisation in India, in particular the transformation of the experience of work, the rise of an enterprise culture, new forms of youth identity, and their impact on urban social relations, political ideologies and democratic politics. In Michaelmas term, at the Vice Chancellor’s Research Forum on India, held at St Hugh’s College, Oxford, she made a presentation entitled, “Cities, Youth, Enterprise and Politics in Globalised India”. She presented a paper in Hilary term on “Enterprise culture, society and politics in India today”. She published the

following paper: 'Neoliberal Subjectivity, Enterprise Culture and New Workplaces: Organised Retail and Shopping Malls in India', *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol 44, No. 22, 2009. The following paper is forthcoming in an edited volume: 'Economic liberalisation, cities and the poor'. She was the recipient of a Teaching Excellence Award of the University in 2008, having been nominated by her students.

DR EKATERINA HERTOOG, Faculty Fellow and Sasakawa Career Development Fellow in the Sociology of Japanese Society, began her first term in St Antony's in Michaelmas 2008. She was previously a Junior Research Fellow just down the road in Wadham College and before that a student at St Antony's College, so this was virtually a prodigal daughter's homecoming. As a result of her long-term interest in Japanese never-married single mothers this academic year she wrote a chapter "'I did not know how to tell my parents, so I thought I would have to have an abortion': Experiences of Unmarried Mothers in Japan" for an edited volume *The Fragile House: Shifting Frames and Changing Shapes of Home and Family in Japan* due to come out in Routledge. She has also finished polishing, editing and re-editing of her book *Tough Choices: Bearing an Illegitimate Child in Japan*, which will come out with Stanford University Press in August 2009. She also presented her work on Japanese single mothers at the University of Bristol and University of Cambridge where she was invited as a speaker and at a Sasakawa Conference in London. This academic year Ekaterina has also found time to work on her new project on marriage partner selection in contemporary Japan. Thanks to generous research grants from the British Academy and John Fell OUP Fund she was able to hire research assistance and linked individual level data with environmental data which will enable her to analyse how the conditions of local marriage markets affect prospective partner choices.

PROFESSOR TAKEHIKO KARIYA, Faculty Fellow and Professor in the Sociology of Japanese Society obtained his Ph.D in sociology at Northwestern University. He comes to Oxford from the Graduate School of Education at the University of Tokyo, where he has been a professor of sociology of education (jointly affiliated with Tokyo until 2009). He published three books in Japanese in this academic year, *Gakuryoku to Kaiso (Academic Achievement and Social Class)*, *Kyouikusaisei no Meiso (Confusing Reforms under the name of Education Rebuilding)*, and *Kyouiku to Byoudo (Education and Equality)*. He was invited to be a discussant at the annual meeting of the British Sociological Association for a sub-plenary session on globalisation, education and the knowledge economy.

DR SHO KONISHI, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the History of Modern Japan, began the year in Lecce, Italy, where he served as the discussant to the panel on literary production during the Russo-Japanese War. The panel is now in the process of becoming a mini conference in the U.S., which will put together literary and area studies scholars from Russia, Japan, the U.K. and the U.S. He also saw the publication of the "The Absence of Portsmouth in an Early Twentieth-Century Imagination of Peace" in *The Treaty of Portsmouth and Its Legacies* (October 2008). Based on the research supported by awards and fellowships he received from the year before from the U.S. Library of Congress and the U.S. Social Science Research Council/Japan Society for the Promotion of Science, he has been writing a number of articles including one on a social and intellectual history of human anatomy. He has continued to teach transnational perspectives and approaches to history writing at the graduate level, and in collaboration with the History Faculty, the Nissan Institute and several other colleges and area studies institutes at Oxford, he organized a transnational history week with the Astor Lecturer Akira Iriye. On the administrative front, he served as the Chair of the Examination Board for the Nissan Institute, which was an exciting introduction to Oxford practice.

DR RACHEL MURPHY is Faculty Fellow and BICC University Lecturer in the Sociology of China. During this academic year she served as Director of Graduate Studies for the new MSc in Modern Chinese Studies and became Director of the Asian Studies Centre. Her publications include: (ed) *Labour Migration and Social Development in Contemporary China*, Routledge, 2009; with Liu et al, (2009) 'Education Management and Performance after Rural Education Finance Reform: Evidence from Western China', *International Journal of Educational Development*, 29 (5); 'The Narrowing Digital Divide: A View from Rural China', in *One Country, Two Societies: Rural-Urban Inequality in Contemporary China*, ed by M.K. Whyte, Harvard University Press, 2009; 'The Impact of Socio-Cultural Norms on Women's Experiences of Migration', *Migration Studies Conference Paper*, No. 17, New York: Social Science Research Council. She contributed to a paper on the political economy of ear-marked transfers in rural China presented at a BICC conference on *Reinventing the Party-State*, Shenyang University. She was a keynote speaker at the Nordic Association of Chinese Studies annual conference, University of Iceland, and was invited participant at a meeting on migration and sex ratios at the Russell Sage Foundation. She continued to work with Dr Ran Tao to prepare for collecting data on migrant families. She joined the editorial boards of *China Quarterly* and *Provincial China*.

PROFESSOR IAN NEARY, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Politics of Japan, continued as director of the Nissan Institute which he has juggled with teaching about Japanese politics both as part of the PPE and the masters programme on modern Japan. Despite the tidal wave of concern about China, at least within the European Commission there remains an interest in Japan and he has been to Brussels twice in the last twelve months to provide short courses on Japanese politics. Another course is scheduled for September 2009. On the basis of research done in the past he was invited to attend a conference in Leiden in April which focused on the biotechnology in Asia and another in Fukuoka in May on recent developments in the protection of patients' rights. In October 2008 the Distinctions Committee conferred on him the title of Professor of the Politics of Japan.

DR MARCUS REBICK, Faculty Fellow and Nissan Lecturer in the Economy of Japan, has been primarily working on the subject of poverty in Japan, and participated in two conferences this year, presenting papers on Japanese specialised training schools and on the relation of the Japanese welfare state to dualised labour markets. He is also preparing two book chapters for edited volumes, one on the Japanese economy and the other on the gender pay gap and labour market institutions in Japan.

PROFESSOR VIVIENNE SHUE, Director of the Contemporary China Studies Programme, was greatly honoured to be elected a Fellow of the British Academy in 2008. She now serves as a member of the Academy's China Panel and looks forward to working, within this new context, to contributing to the further development and strengthening of China studies in the UK. Professor Shue presented a paper on "Dimensions of Party-State Re-invention" at a conference in Shenyang in December and lectured on that topic also at Nankai University in Tianjin. She published a short commentary, "Sovereignty, Rule of Law, and Ideologies of the Nation", in a special symposium on the rule of law in the histories of China and India in *The Journal of Asian Studies* (Feb 2009). She participated in the "China-West Intellectual Summit" sponsored by the Glasshouse Forum, held in Paris in February. (An edited video of the forum discussions is available at <http://www.glasshouseforum.org> .) She also took advantage of sabbatical leave during Hilary and Trinity Terms to make some extended research visits to China where she gathered documents and carried out interviews on the reform of local governance structures and the provision of public services in China's new urban settings.

DR STEVE TSANG (Antonian) became Professorial Fellow in Taiwan Studies in the course of the academic year, after having been the Louis Cha Senior Research Fellow for 15 years. He is also a University Reader in Politics. In the course of the year he gave the following conference papers, seminars or special lectures: “China after Deng Xiaoping” at the Center for Asia-Pacific Area Studies (Academia Sinica, Taipei); “China’s Rise: What it means and how we should deal with it” at GCHQ; “Trends in China’s Foreign and Security Policy” at RUSI; “China: Managing its Peaceful Rise” at the UK Maritime Battle Staff; “What Drives China’s Growth? A Cross Disciplinary Perspective” at the Microeconomic Drivers of Growth in China conference at St Edmund Hall; “China in Africa: friend or foe” at the Global Strategy Forum; “Democratizations in Taiwan: Lessons for China” at the Imperial College; “The Future of China and its Global Impact” at the Said Business School (SBS); “China: Democracy, who wants it?” at the Parliamentary Fellowship seminar; “The Global War on Terror: Countering terrorism and the struggle for ideas” at the House of Lords; “The Rise of China: A Threat or a moderating force on US hegemony?” at the Royal Anglian Regiment; “Taiwan’s Democratic Transition: Past successes, future challenges” at Chatham House; “China: Surviving the Downturn” at the SBS; “Taiwan’s Democratic Experience: A model for China?” at Corpus Christi College (Cambridge); and “Global Crisis from China’s Perspective at SBS. In the summer of 2009 he spent a month as a visiting professor at the Chinese University of Hong Kong and worked on the Diaries of Chiang Kai-shek at Stanford University. He also made a submission on “The European Union and China” to the House of Lords Sub-Committee C. His main publications in the year include: *Taiwan and the International Community* (ed), (Oxford: Peter Lang, 2008), in which he wrote two chapters (“Taiwan as a Member of the International Community” and “The Long-term Prospect for Taiwan’s Foreign Relations”); and “China’s Global Awakening”, in *The World Book Year Book 2009* (Chicago:World Book Inc, 2009).

#### **Emeritus Fellow**

PROFESSOR J.A.A. STOCKWIN, Emeritus Fellow, spoke on “Relations between Governing and Opposition Parties in the British and Japanese Parliaments” at a symposium in Tokyo in September 2008, before going to Busan, South Korea, where he spoke at Dong-A University on “Korean-Japanese Relations: Backgrounds, Trends and Perspectives”. In January 2009 he helped assess three research institutes in Paris, including INALCO (Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales). In February he participated in the selection of candidates for the Daiwa Anglo-Japanese Foundation scholarships. In March he introduced his book *Governing Japan* (4<sup>th</sup> edn.) at the Foreign Correspondents Club of Japan in Tokyo, and in April he gave five lectures on aspects of Japan to an Oxford University Society alumni tour of western Japan. In June he spoke on “Party Politics in Japan” at a conference in Tokyo. During the year he was internal examiner for three Oxford doctoral theses and external examiner for one at the University of Leiden. He published: “Do Prime Ministers Run Japan?”, in *Essays in Honour of Irmela Hijiya-Kirschner*. München, Iudicium Verlag, 2008; and “Is War an Inevitable Part of History? The Case of Japan”, in *Working and Writing for Tomorrow: Essays in Honour of Itala Vivan*. Nottingham, CCCP, 2008.

#### **Honorary and Foundation Fellows**

PROFESSOR LOUIS CHA has devoted himself to the literature and history of China. Although Cambridge University has honoured him with a D.Litt. he has decided to pursue a Ph.D. there as well.

MR ADRIAN FU continued as Foundation Fellow and as a member of the Warden’s Financial Advisory Committee. He has devoted most of his time to running the family charitable foundation, the Fu Tak lam Foundation, which is dedicated to improving the quality of life for all in the areas of healthcare, education, the arts, culture, heritage, amateur sport, animal welfare, conservation and the environment focusing in particular on Hong Kong, China and Macau.

**Research Fellow**

DR CLARINDA STILL joined Oxford at the start of this academic year 2008/9 as a Departmental Lecturer in Modern Indian Studies and Junior Research Fellow at St Antony's. She obtained a PhD in social anthropology from the LSE in 2008 and held a one year post doctoral position there before joining the SIAS to teach on the new MSc in Contemporary India. This year she presented a paper entitled, 'Dalit perspectives on the state in Andhra Pradesh' at the Annual Conference on South Asia in Madison Wisconsin in collaboration with geographers at Cambridge University. A revised version of the same paper was presented in the follow up conference called 'Experiencing the State' at Cambridge University in March. This will be part of an edited volume, which is currently in preparation. In November 2008, she presented at the Vice Chancellor's Research Forum on India. In the Trinity she gave a presentation on the topic of honour among Dalits in India for the Departmental Seminar in ISCA and she acted as a discussant at a conference on 'Learning, Livelihoods and Social Mobility: Anthropological Perspectives on Formal and Informal Education' at Brunel University in May. Following five weeks of ethnographic fieldwork in South India in the Easter vacation, she is currently integrating her new findings and consolidating earlier research for the preparation of her book manuscript due for publication in September 2009. She is also editing two forthcoming articles for *Modern Asian Studies* and *Contributions to Indian Sociology*.

## EUROPEAN STUDIES

### The European Studies Centre

The European Studies Centre organized a number of public events in 2008-2009, including a debate on *What Next?* with author Chris Patten in conversation with Oxford students Christopher Bickerton, Lee Jones, Anna Oldmeadow and Tobias Lenz; the first Monte dei Paschi di Siena lecture with Franco Frattini (Italian Foreign Minister); the Chancellor's seminar with EU Commissioner Benita Ferrero Waldner on Europe in the World; a lecture and debate with Mary Kaldor (LSE) in cooperation with ELAC, DPIR; and the Centre's Annual Lecture which took place in February 2009 and hosted Joschka Fischer on «Dreams, Myths, Realities: Transatlantic Relations in the Obama Era». This event was coordinated by Julie Adams with the help of Lena Michael & Stefan Szwed. Now a tradition, the party of academics and VIPs walked from St. Antony's College to New College where the dinner was held.

This year the Centre hosted as diverse range of seminars and workshops. The now established ESC core seminar continued to attract a diverse crowd, with speakers such as Guillermo de la Dehesa (Santander Foundation), John Elliot (Oriol College, Oxford), Charles Powell (Real Instituto Elcano), Diego Sanchez- Ancochea (St. Antony's College, Oxford), Maurice Gourdault-Montagne (Ambassador of France), Anand Menon (Birmingham University), Claire Chick (House of Lords), Simon Glendinning (European Institute, LSE), Francis Cheneval (St. Antony's College), Tariq Ramadan (St. Antony's College, Oxford) Antonio Costa Pinto (University of Lisbon), Aristotelis Bouratsis (European Commission), Shirley Williams (House of Lords), Philomena Murray (University of Melbourne), Sophie Duchesne (Sciences PO/CNRS), Katharine Throssell (Maison Française d'Oxford), Justine Lacroix (St. Antony's, Oxford), Virginie Van Ingelgom (UCL/ FNRS), Cécile Laborde (UCL), Luc Borot (MFO, Oxford), Francis Cheneval (St. Antony's, Oxford), Diana Pinto (Director of the "Voices for the Res Publica" Project), Jean Leca (Sciences Po, France), Henrich Best (Friedrich-Schiller University, Jena).

In addition to the core seminar, the Centre also hosted a number of other activities, including: The SEESOX seminars convened by Othon Anastasakis in Hilary Term as well as numerous other events (see entry below); the Seminar Series: 'Global Narratives on Cold War Europe' convened by Anne Deighton; the conference on «Agents of Change in the Mediterranean» convened by fellows in the ESC and Middle East Centre and organised by RAMSES director Dimitar Bechev. The latter also had a book launch of «Historical Dictionary of the Republic of Macedonia». The programme Rethinking Europe in a Non-European World held a seminar on Europe and Asia and provided the backbone for kitchen cabinet meetings for the EU reflection group on the Future of Europe, including a brainstorming meeting with Rem Koolhaas (architecte) and his associates.

As usual our Visiting Fellows held their workshops during Hilary or Trinity Term: our Stifterverband Fellow Ingrid Gilcher-Holtey co-convened with Jane Caplan a workshop on '*Wreckage of Modernity or Revolution of Perception?*' 1968:Consequences and Echoes; our Basque Visiting Fellow, Oscar Alvarez Gila, convened a workshop on *Environmental Change and Migration* and our Deakin Visiting Fellow, Justine Lacroix, co-convened with Kalypso Nicolaidis a workshop on *European Stories: How National Intellectuals debate Europe* which will be followed by an edited volume. A number of new visiting fellowships were created: the Santander fellowship, the EU fellowship, the Alpha Bank fellowship, the Turkish Fellowship and the Sabanci fellowship.

The Centre also launched two new programmes, one directed by Jan Zielonka on *Democracy and the Media in Central and Eastern Europe*, and another directed by Kerem Oktem on *Europe's Muslim*

*Neighborhood: Minorities within, Majorities without* The Centre continued its broad ranging collaboration across Oxford with the Maison Francaise d'Oxford, the Reuters Institute, the Middle East Centre, the Law School, DPIR, the James Martin School and the Oxford Institute for Ethics, Law and Armed Conflict.

This was the last year of Kalyпсо Nicolaidis' directorship (to be followed by Jane Caplan) and the second year of Anne-Laure Guillermain as administrator. Timothy Garton Ash continued to be the Centre's honorary chair.

A number of books were published this year by our fellows as detailed in individual entries.

### **South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX)**

During the academic year 2008-09, South East European Studies at Oxford witnessed a significant expansion of its research capacity, academic interests and book publications which builds on a now well-established seminar series during Hilary term, a wide range of regular conferences, seminars and workshops, and visiting scholars all of which aim to bring light into the complex political and societal processes of change in South East Europe.

SEESOX opened the academic year in early October with a Conference in October on "The Study of Modern Greek History: An Oxford Perspective" which took place in Athens. This conference which was co-organised with the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs brought together historians, politicians and diplomats, who presented their work that was related to modern Greece. Among the Antonian speakers were the Warden, Margaret Macmillan, Renee Hirshon, Richard Clogg, Michael Llewellyn Smith and Thanos Veremis. During Hilary term, Othon Anastasakis and Dimitar Bechev convened the SEESOX seminar series in cooperation with the RAMSES programme, focusing on specific, but pressing issues in South East Europe and the Mediterranean including regional energy matters, democratic consolidation, economic transition and EU neighbourhood policy. These issues were investigated with reference to the western Balkans, Turkey, the Caucasus and the wider Mediterranean area, thereby confirming SEESOX' inclusive approach to the study of the region. This sense of inclusivity and interdisciplinarity was further highlighted by intensive collaborations with the Middle East Centre and Russian and East European Studies.

Trinity term was dominated by panel discussions and workshops: The issue of corruption in South East Europe and beyond was the theme of a panel and research project co-organised with the University of Konstanz, while a film screening and debate on Kosovo was co-convened with the European Stability Initiative. In the workshop "Agents of change in the Mediterranean", with Dimitar Bechev as core-convenor, differential European neighbourhood policies in the eastern neighbourhood and the Mediterranean were discussed comparatively and with an eye on the larger issues of democratisation, regional cooperation, conflict resolution and regional stability.

Othon Anastasakis and Max Watson convened their annual meeting on the politics and economics of the Balkan in Trinity term in a one-day workshop entitled "Examining the impact of the global economic crisis in South East Europe and ways forward". This workshop was organised in cooperation the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and the Bank of Greece and was attended by academics, policy makers and representatives from major international financial institutions, think tanks and research institutes. In 2009, SEESOX launched its new programme on the political economy of South East Europe under the co-ordination of Max Watson, a programme which will monitor economic and political developments in the region and will

produce workshops, publications and report on related subject matters. In the context of this new programme, SEESOX has stipulated a “regional dialogue” with the Bank of Greece; it has introduced a new Alpha Bank fellowship on the political economy of South East Europe and is bringing more academics and experts. In May, a selection committee decided on the first Alpha Bank fellow for the academic year 2009-10, Professor Dimitris Sotiropoulos of the University of Athens. SEESOX is also sponsoring the SAMship of Susan Schadler, from the IMF who during the period between May 2009 and December 2010 will be working on the economy of Turkey.

After years of negotiations with the Turkish government, SEESOX received a grant of 200,000 in May 2009 for two and a half years on the study of Modern Turkey. This is expected to strengthen the research focus on the politics, international relations and European transformations of Turkey through visiting fellowships and activities on Turkey. The first visiting fellow on Modern Turkey who was selected is Professor Bulent Aras from Isik University in Istanbul who is expected to start in October 2009. The Turkish grant will also contribute to the cooperation of SEESOX with Sabanci University through the establishment of a Sabanci University visiting scholar at SEESOX. The first visiting academic from Sabanci University for the academic year 2009-10 is Professor Ayse Kadioglu, a political scientist.

True to one of its founding objectives to contribute, through impartial and substantive research, to good neighbourly relations in the region in general and between Greece and Turkey in particular, SEESOX was proud to launch its first academic publication with the title “In the long shadow of Europe: Greeks and Turks in the era of post-nationalism”. The volume was edited by Othon Anastasakis, Kalypto Nicolaidis and Kerem Oktem (Brill, 2009). SEESOX organised a book launch and panel discussion on the current state of Greek-Turkish relations in March. Another book launch took place in Istanbul, Turkey in May. A second SEESOX publication on “Turkey’s Engagement with Modernity. Conflict and change in the 20th century” (edited by Celia Kerslake, Kerem Oktem and Philip Robins, Palgrave Macmillan, St Antony’s series 2009) based on papers presented at a three day conference on Modern Turkey in 2005 was also finalised in June. Two more edited volumes were also accomplished during 2009, “Greece and the Balkans: Memory, Conflict and Exchange” (edited by Othon Anastasakis, Dimitar Bechev and Nicholas Vrousalis Cambridge Scholars Press) and “Mediterranean frontiers. Borders, conflict and memory in a transnational world” (edited by Dimitar Bechev and Kalypto Nicolaidis, I.B. Tauris, 2009).

Finally, the Social Sciences Division approved the introduction, from Michaelmas 2009, of an option course for second year MPhil students of Russian and East European Studies at SIAS convened by Othon Anastasakis, Dimitar Bechev, Christopher Davies and Carol Leonard on South East Europe: Politics, Economics and European Integration.

### **Governing Body Fellows**

JANE CAPLAN is a Professor of Modern European History, with primary research and teaching interests in the history of Nazi Germany and 19th/20th-century governmentality, specifically the history of individual identification. In the current year she has spoken at conference and seminars at the universities of Sydney, Monash, Sussex, Princeton and London. She co-organized a workshop on ‘1968’ at the ESC with this year’s Stifterverband Visiting Fellow in German History, Prof. Ingrid Gilcher-Holtey, and the first of two workshops for the international network on the history of identification funded by the Leverhulme Trust. She continues to research and publish in both her main areas of interest, and her co-edited volume, *The Nazi Concentration Camps. The New Histories*,

will be published later this year. This year she has joined the Council of the Williams-Exeter Program at Oxford, the Academic Advisory Board of the University of Köln and the Historical Commission of the German Finance Ministry, which is undertaking an official history of the Finance Ministry in the Nazi period.

TIMOTHY GARTON ASH is Professor of European Studies, Isaiah Berlin Professorial Fellow and Honorary Chair of the European Studies Centre. This year he published *Facts are Subversive: Political Writing from a Decade Without a Name* (Atlantic Books), a collection of his essays from the last decade, and a multi-author volume which he co-edited with Adam Roberts, *Civil Resistance and Power Politics: The Experience of Non-Violent Action from Gandhi to the Present* (Oxford University Press).

At the College, he organised a memorable colloquium to mark the 80th birthday of our third Warden, Lord (Ralf) Dahrendorf, with contributions from Jürgen Habermas and Fritz Stern, among others. The colloquium, entitled *On Liberty: The Dahrendorf Questions*, was attended by Lord Dahrendorf, who very sadly died a few weeks later. It is hoped to publish an edited transcript of the proceedings, and to perpetuate the memory of Ralf Dahrendorf in an ongoing programme and annual event.

He also chaired the University-wide organising committee of a major international, interdisciplinary conference on *Liberalisms in East and West*, held at St Antony's in January 2009. This brought together leading scholars from North America, Europe, China, Japan and India to discuss the contrasting and contested usages of 'liberalism' across the world. An edited transcript of the main presentations will be published on-line. A brief reflection on the findings of the conference can be found on [www.timothygartonash.com](http://www.timothygartonash.com), along with other writings.

He spent the autumn of 2008 based at the Hoover Institution at Stanford University, where he is a Senior Fellow, and witnessed the election of Barack Obama in Washington; made two extended research and lecture trips to Peking University in Beijing; spoke in Krakow, Stockholm, Davos, Berlin, Paris, Tallinn and at the Hay literary festival; engaged in a dialogue with Chancellor Angela Merkel before an audience of massed German protestants at the Evangelischer Kirchentag in Bremen; and delivered the inaugural Isaiah Berlin Lecture in Riga, on the centenary of the philosopher's birth in that city.

PROFESSOR KALYPSO NICOLAÏDIS has completed her third year as both ESC director and director of research training in international relations at DPIR. She convened the ESC core seminar during Michaelmas Term, and co-convened several seminars and conferences, including a book debate on "What Next?" with author Chris Patten in discussion with students; a seminar on *Debating European identities, how they vary and where they come from: The state of the art in research* with Sophie Duchesne (Sciences PO/CNRS), Katharine Throssell (Maison Française d'Oxford), Justine Lacroix (St. Antony's, Oxford), Virginie Van Ingelgom (UCL / FNRS); a seminar on *Critical republicanism. the hijab controversy and political philosophy* with Cécile Laborde (UCL); a seminar (in cooperation with ELAC, DPIR) *'Inconclusive wars: Is Clausewitz still relevant?'* with Mary Kaldor (LSE); a book conference convened with Justine Lacroix (ULB) on *European Stories: Intellectual Debates on Europe in National Contexts*. She also hosted a number of high level events for the College including the ESC annual lecture given by Joschka Fischer and the Chancellor's seminar with Dr Ferrero Waldner EU External Relations Commissioner. She presented several papers, including "Can A Post-Colonial Power export the Rule of Law?" under the auspices of the Center for the Study of Inequality and Democracy chaired by Professor Nancy Bermeo. She continues to co-chair SEESOX with Professor Philip Robbins as well as the IR faculty seminar in Hilary term. Outside the college she was nominated as a member of the EU Reflection group chaired by Felipe Gonzalez to report of *The Future of Europe, 2020-2030* next year. Her publications for this year can be found on <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/esc/knicolaidis/>

PROFESSOR JAN ZIELONKA is Ralf Dahrendorf Fellow in European Politics. Last year his research focused on the European Union's external policies. He also began preparations to launch his new large international project on Media and Democracy and in Central and Eastern Europe funded by the European Research Council. At the Department of Politics and International Relations he was director of the MPhil in European Politics and Society. He was also member of the Steering Committee of the Reuters Institute for the Study of Journalism. He lectured at several leading academic institutions, including Princeton University, Sabanci University, Hebrew University, Central European University and the University of Birmingham. He also attended annual conferences of the ISA and BISA. More information can be found on his website: <http://users.ox.ac.uk/~polf0040/>

#### **Emeritus Fellows**

RICHARD CLOGG, in October 2008, gave a paper on the short-lived Greek College established in Oxford at the beginning of the eighteenth century at a conference on Oxford perspectives on the modern history of Greece held in Athens under the auspices of the Greek Ministry of Foreign Affairs. In May 2009 he gave a paper to the Oxford Modern Greek Studies seminar on 'Colonel Papadopoulos and the seduction of the Mother of Parliaments'. He published 'Academics at War: the British School at Athens during the First World War' in *Scholars, Travels, Archives: Greek history and culture through the British School at Athens*, edited by Michael Llewellyn Smith, Paschalis M. Kitromilides and Eleni Calligas, British School at Athens Studies 17, (Athens 2009) 163-177 and 'George Finlay and the modern history of Greece: a bicentennial retrospect', in Motos Guirao and Moschos Morfakidis Filactos, editors., *Polyptychon. Homenaje a Ioannis Hassiotis. Apheroma ston Ioanni Khasiоти* (Granada: Centro de Estudios Bizantinos, Neogriegos y Chipriotas, 2008) 163-173. He reviewed *Networks of Power in Modern Greece: Essays in Honour of John Campbell*, edited by Mark Mazower, in the *Times Literary Supplement*. Almost all the contributors were John's students at St Antony's. In the course of the year he completed a memoir of his academic career'.

PROFESSOR A.J. NICHOLLS is an Emeritus Fellow of St. Antony's who is working on a study of Anglo-German Relations since the Second World War. On 28th May 2009 he lectured under the auspices of the Deutsch-Britische Gesellschaft at the Großbritannienzentrum in the Humboldt University of Berlin on the subject: 'Ups and Downs in Anglo-German Relations, 1949-2009'.

#### **Research Fellows**

DR OTHON ANASTASAKIS, Research Fellow and SEESOX Director has been co-ordinating the activities of SEESOX, fund-raising and pursuing his personal research. During the academic year 2008-09, he delivered a number of lectures, papers, and chaired and discussed sessions, in conferences and workshops in Barcelona (IEMED) on Greek Turkish relations; in Berlin (EU-Turkey Observatory) on Turkey and the EU; in Athens (conference on Greek history); at Kings College, London on Greek Turkish relations; in Washington (Woodrow Wilson Centre) on the Western Balkans and the European Union; at the LSE on Greek foreign policy.

Publications include: co-edited volumes *In the long shadow of Europe: Greeks and Turks in the era of post-nationalism* (with Kalypso Nicolaidis and Kerem Oktem, eds.) Brill Publications, 2009 & *Greece and the Balkans: 200 years of interaction* (with Dimitar Bechev and Nicholas Vrousalis, eds.) Cambridge University Scholars Press, forthcoming. Working on two chapters of his co-authored book *Democratisation in the post-communist Balkans* (with Marilena Koppa) Palgrave Macmillan, forthcoming in 2010. His journal articles include "The EU's political conditionality in the Western Balkans: Towards a more pragmatic approach" in *Southeast European and Black Sea Studies*, Vol 8, No 4, December 2008, pp.365-377. He contributed with a chapter on "The Limits of regionalism imposed from outside" in the book *Regional Cooperation in South East Europe and Beyond: Challenges and Prospects*, by Wolfgang Petritsch and Christophe Solioz (eds.) Baden-Baden: Nomos

Verlagsgesellschaft, pp.35-44, 2008. He wrote an opinion piece entitled "The new politics of the new century" for the Hellenic Observatory/LSE publication *The return of street politics: Essays on the December riots in Greece*. He contributed with chapters on "Modern Greece and South East Europe: A short history" and on "Kosovo: A short history" in *Regional Surveys of the World: Central and South East Europe*, Europa Publications, 2010

DIMITAR BECHEV steered the contribution by St Antony's College to RAMSES2, a Network of Excellence of Mediterranean Studies supported by the EU's Sixth Framework Programme. The programme organised a range of academic events including a roundtable on borders and security in the Mediterranean (November 2008), a seminar series on politics in South East Europe and the Mediterranean (co-convened with Othon Anastasakis in Hillary Term 2009) and a conference on Agents of Change in the Mediterranean (18-19 June, co-organised with Maison Française d'Oxford). A volume entitled *Mediterranean Frontiers: Borders, Conflict and Memory in a Transnational World*, jointly edited with Kalypso Nicolaidis, is being published in the autumn of 2009 by I.B. Tauris. The book's chapters reflect the collective research coordinated over several years by RAMSES at Oxford. In April 2009, Dimitar also published *Historical Dictionary of Republic of Macedonia* (Scarecrow Press), a survey of the contested history and turbulent politics of the former Yugoslav country. He is currently working on a book on the politics of regional cooperation in the Balkans under the title *Constructing South East Europe*, to appear in the St Antony's Series run by Palgrave/Macmillan.

DR KEREM ÖKTEM, in the academic year 2008/2009, was elected research fellow for the study of Muslim immigrant communities and their interaction with foreign policy in the European Union. Based at the European Studies Centre and an active member of the programme of South East European Studies at Oxford (SEESOX), he has dedicated much of his time to the publication, in 2009, of a series of co-edited volumes on South East Europe, Turkey and Turkey's relations with its neighbours. *In the long shadow of Europe. Greeks and Turks in the era of post-nationalism* (with K Nicolaidis and O Anastasakis, Brill) deals with the complex structures of intimacy and enmity between Turks and Greeks. The volume *Mutual Misunderstandings* explores, in a comparative fashion, Muslims and Islam in the European media and Europe in the media of Muslim majority countries' (with R Abou-El-Fadl, European Studies Centre), while *Turkey's engagement with modernity* traces conflict and change in Turkey's long twentieth century (with C Kerslake and P Robins, Palgrave Macmillan).

DR DAVID RECHTER, Research Fellow in Modern Jewish History, University Research Lecturer in Oriental Studies, and Rachel Finkelstein Fellow in Modern Jewish History at the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies, served as Chair of the Sub-Faculty of Near and Middle East Studies in the Faculty of Oriental Studies and continued as Tutorial Secretary for Hebrew and Jewish Studies in the faculty. In Trinity Term, he convened with Professor Robert Evans a History Faculty seminar on East and East-Central Europe (17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> centuries). He was appointed Contributing Editor of the Leo Baeck Institute Year Book. As part of his work on a book on the history of Bukovina Jewry in the Habsburg Empire, he completed three articles for publication. He published 'Geography is Destiny: Region, Nation and Empire in Habsburg Jewish Bukovina', *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* 7/3 (2008) and was joint editor, with Tobias Brinkmann and Derek Penslar, of a special issue - 'Jews and Modernity: Beyond the Nation' - of the *Journal of Modern Jewish Studies* 7/3 (2008).

### Associate Members and Visiting Fellows

Dr OSCAR ALVAREZ GILA was the Basque Visiting Fellow for 2008-2009. He focused his research at Oxford on the linkages between environmental changes and historical and present-day migration, paying particular attention to the implications for future migratory movements to the UE. He participated in several scientific meetings in Bakersfield (USA), Santiago de Compostela (Spain), Bonn (Germany), Brighton and Oxford, presenting lectures on several social, cultural and environmental aspects of migration. He also convened a workshop at the ESC under the title "Environment and Migration. Insights from a Case Study Approach", with the participation of Han Entzinger (Rotterdam), Anyl Markandya (Bath) and Dominic Kniveton (Brighton), among others. He wrote the chapter "Environment and Migration: Can the Past Help us Rethinking the Matter?" for the book *Migration, Development and Environment: Migration Processes from the Perspective of Environmental Change and Development Approach at the beginning of the 21st Century* (Newcastle: CSP, 2008) and has other articles on the same issue accepted at *International Migration* (Washington DC) and *Trialog* (Darmstad, Germany). He also directed a book on the *Organization, Identity and Image of the Basque Communities Abroad (16<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>th</sup> Centuries)*, that will be published by the University of the Basque Country.

INGRID GILCHER-HOLTEY, Stifterverband Fellow. Activities include: Firstly: the organisation of a workshop with the title: »*Wreckage of Modernity*« or »*Revolution of Perception*«? Secondly: the organisation of a graduate and doctoral workshop which brought together students from Oxford and Bielefeld working on research projects »around 1968« on February, 28<sup>th</sup> 2009. Thirdly: the agreement on a *Proposal for exchange and cooperation between the School for Historical Research, Bielefeld University, Faculty of History and the Modern European History Research Centre, University of Oxford, Faculty of History*. Fourthly: Research on a) 1968 in Oxford and b) the rise and critic of neoliberalism in Great Britain and France.

PROFESSOR JUSTINE LACROIX was the Deakin Visiting Fellow for 2008-2009. During her stay in Oxford, she coordinated, (with Professor Kalypso Nicoláis) a broad comparative study on how intellectuals have debated European integration in their distinct national contexts. She co-convened a workshop at the European Studies Centre under the title: "European Stories. How Intellectuals Debate Europe in their National Contexts". She is presently co-editing a book on this topic with Professor Kalypso Nicoláidis. Justine Lacroix also participated in several seminars and workshops in Oxford, London, Oslo, Paris and Grenoble. Her publications in 2009 include : « Does Europe Need Common Values? Habermas vs. Habermas », *European Journal of Political Theory*, age, vol. 8, n° 2, 2009, p. 140-156. ; « Droits de l'homme ou droits de l'individu? » in A. Caillé et R. Sue (ed.) *De Gauche*, Paris, Éditions Fayard, 2009 ; (with Paul Magnette) « French Republicanism and European law » in S. Besson et J. Marti (eds.), *Legal Republicanism : National and International*, Oxford, Oxford University Press, 2009, p. 406-430 and "Une citoyenneté européenne est-elle possible?", *La vie des idées*, [laviedesidees.fr](http://laviedesidees.fr), 2009.

Dr JULIO CRESPO MACLENNAN, was Visiting Fellow at the ESC with the main aim of setting up the Santander Visiting Fellowship in Iberian and European Studies.

Dr MacLennan published the book *Forjadores de Europa, grandes europeistas y euroescépticos del siglo XX* (Destino 2009), which was widely acclaimed both within the academic community and the Spanish public in general. He is also finishing the English version which will be published under the title of *Great Europeanists and Eurosceptics in the twentieth century*. He wrote a chapter for a major publication in Spanish European studies, *Tratado de Derecho y Políticas de la Unión Europea* (Aranzadi 2009), under the title of "Del ocaso de las potencias europeas al auge de la Europa global",

which analyses the historical antecedents to the present EU. He has also continued with the comparative studies between Spain and Europe and has published an article: "*The EU-Turkey Negotiations: Between the Siege of Vienna and the Reconquest of Constantinople*" in Constantine Arvanitopolous ed. *Turkey's Accession to the European Union, and unusual candidacy*, (Springer, 2009). He has written on a regular basis for the Spanish press, particularly for the dailies *ABC* and *El Imparcial* and has continued his activities as member of the editorial board of *ABC de Artes y Letras*, Spain's leading cultural supplement.

Julio Crespo MacLennan was appointed visiting professor at Tufts University in the Spring semester, at the Prince of Asturias Chair in Spanish and International History, where he taught a course on contemporary Spain. He has also taught a course on contemporary Europe at the IE business School in Madrid. He was one of the coordinators for the conference "Agents of change for the Mediterranean" that took place at the European Studies Centre in Trinity Term and he chaired a panel dedicated to the Spanish and European perspective.

MR MAX WATSON is a Visiting Fellow, and co-ordinates work at SEESOX on the political economy of South East Europe. During the year he co-chaired a workshop of academics, officials and bankers on the impact of the global crisis in the region. He organized workshops on this in Ljubljana and Vienna; and was guest speaker at a Sarajevo meeting of central bank governors, and at a seminar of regional officials at the Austrian National Bank.

He visited Cyprus frequently, chairing a bi-communal conference on fiscal federalism, and a meeting of economists from both sides to discuss the prospects for economic convergence. His paper 'Growing Together? – Prospects for Economic Convergence and Reunification in Cyprus' is to be published in the *Consortium for European Political Research 2009*, with a paper discussing challenges for the northern economy appearing in book form later this year.

On the euro area, he co-edited the book 'Building the Financial Foundations of the Euro – Experiences and Challenges.' The stresses experienced by the area during the crisis were explored in a Chatham House paper 'Will the euro area survive the strains of the Global Financial Crisis?' His research on the surveillance of Europe was published by the IMF.

## LATIN AMERICAN STUDIES

### **The Latin American Centre**

The Latin American Centre had an eventful and productive year in 2008-2009. After the retirements of Alan Angell in 2006, Leslie Bethell in 2007, and Malcolm Deas and Rosemary Thorp in 2008, this was a year of transition and rebuilding. Thankfully, this year there were no more retirements, but there were some major changes nonetheless. Joe Foweraker left the directorship of the LAC to become Head of SIAS, and was replaced by Tim Power. As former directors, Joe and Alan Knight helped Tim navigate his first year. The LAC welcomed two new Fellows of St Antony's, Professor Leigh Payne (a joint appointment between SIAS and Sociology), and Dr Diego Sánchez-Ancochea (a joint appointment with Queen Elizabeth House). Dr Eduardo Posada-Carbó became a Departmental Lecturer of SIAS and played an important role in mentoring our large student body. The LAC had a record intake in 2008, with some 36 postgraduate students enrolled in our three masters' courses.

As always, the LAC continued to receive valuable support from scholars based at other colleges, including Andrew Hurrell (Balliol), Laura Rival (Linacre), and Laurence Whitehead (Nuffield). The Centre also hosted a number of visiting scholars in 2008-2009. Mónica Serrano contributed to the Mexican Studies Programme, while Oswaldo Amaral, Lauro Mattei and Lucio Rennó were research associates of the Brazilian Studies Programme. Edgardo Mondolfi Gudat served as the Andrés Bello Fellow and Dr Sarah Washbrook completed her term as British Academy Post-Doctoral Fellow at St Antony's.

The Latin American Library, under the stewardship of librarians Nathalie Chaddock-Thomas and Laura Salinas, continued to provide excellent support to our staff and students. Frank Egerton also made an important contribution to the library in 2008. Elvira Ryan, the LAC admissions secretary, managed our sharp increase in student numbers with grace under pressure. Our administrator, Susannah Bartholomew, was on maternity leave in 2008-2009 and was replaced by the very able David Robinson. David's tireless work on behalf of the Centre was interrupted only by his successful 8-mile run through Oxford on Red Nose Day.

### **Governing Body Fellows**

VALPY FITZGERALD has spent the year as Head of the Oxford Department of International Development, a university department with very strong links to College - both in student numbers and in membership of Governing Body. Research on Latin America has thus been limited to conferences and the occasional midnight hour. He presented papers on international tax cooperation and Latin America in the Universidad Complutense (Madrid) and Chatham House (London); and on the impact of the global financial crisis on the region in Columbia University (New York) and the Fundacion Carolina (Madrid)

Valpy has also been supervising a number of DPhil theses on the region, the topics of which include: the gold standard in the 1930s; fraud and trust in Jamaica; anthropometrics of income distribution in Mexico; Brazil and the WTO on export promotion; integration of Caribbean capital markets; and the balance of payments constraint in Mexico. With Pablo Astorga and Ame Berges (both Antonians) he is continuing slowly but steadily with the writing of a major book on the long-run economic development of Latin America since 1880 under contract to the (ever-patient) OUP, using the OxLAD data base.

JOE FOWERAKER, Professor of Latin American Politics and Fellow, spent much of the year in on-the-job training as the new Head of the School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies (SIAS), trying to figure out how the 'system' works. This task became easier with the realization that there is no system. He ran a Research Away-Day for SIAS in February. He has also been the Chair of Examiners for the Latin American Centre's three postgraduate degrees.

Happily, the steady round of committee meetings has been interrupted by occasional forays into intellectual life. In October he was invited to deliver the key-note address to a conference in Baeza (Andalusia) on "The World of Labour and the Conquest of Liberty in Spain", and subsequently gave seminars in Dublin (December) and Leiden (April).

He is continuing to work on a comparative inquiry into the nature of really-existing democracy, mainly but not exclusively with reference to Latin America. His article on civil rights regimes in Latin America is about to be published in William Smith, ed, *Latin American Democratic Transformations: Institutions, Actors, and Processes* (University of Miami Press); and his article on rights demands, social mobilization, and NGOs will shortly appear in Patricio Silva, ed, *Widening Democracy: Citizens and Participatory Schemes in Brazil and Chile* (Brill Publishers).

ALAN KNIGHT continued work on modern Mexican history, as well as the broader history of Latin America and its relations with the rest of the world. He gave lectures/conference papers at the Universities of Ohio, Louisville, and Michigan State in the US; at the Tec de Monterrey, the Colegio de Mexico and UNAM in Mexico; at the University of Durham; and at conferences in Warsaw and Krakow. Topics included British imperialism in Latin America, Anglo-Mexican relations, the Mexican economy in the early C20, US-Mexican relations, and Mexican politics during the Second World War. One trip to Mexico was made as swine flu (supposedly) raged and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office advised 'only essential travel'. What could be more essential than pushing forward the frontiers of historical knowledge?

LEIGH A PAYNE, professor of Sociology of Latin America and Fellow, began her first term at Oxford in January 2009. The highlight of her year is the translation of her 2008 book *Unsettling Accounts: Neither Truth nor Reconciliation in Confessions of State Violence* into Spanish. She also had a book she co-edited with Ksenija Bilbija on *The Memory Market in Latin America* accepted for publication, including two co-authored chapters (the introduction, entitled "Time is Money" and a second contribution on "Trauma Tourism"). She has another book co-authored with Tricia Olsen and Andrew Reiter on *Engaging the Past to Safeguard the Future* currently under review. That book uses her Transitional Justice Data Base to explore when transitional justice (i.e., truth commissions, trials, amnesties, lustration, and reparations) accomplishes its goals of improving democracy and reducing human rights violations and under what conditions countries adopt transitional justice. An article from that project is forthcoming in the *Journal of Peace Research*. She also had a piece published in *Theory and Events* this year. She made research presentations at Yale University, New York University, the International Studies Association, George Mason University, the Université de Montreal and the University of Minnesota.

TIMOTHY J. POWER, University Lecturer in Brazilian Studies and a fellow of St Cross College, combined several administrative roles at the LAC in 2008-2009. Thanks to two stellar acting instructors, David Robinson and Elvira Ryan, he was able to turn in a passing portrayal of a centre director. Against their advice, however, he occasionally broke character in order to continue his research on democratisation and political institutions in Brazil. With Peter Kingstone, he published an edited volume entitled *Democratic Brazil Revisited* (University of Pittsburgh Press, 2008). With Cesar Zucco Jr, he contributed an article on "Estimating Ideology of Brazilian Legislative Parties,

1990-2005” to the *Latin American Research Review* (February 2009), and with Jeffrey Cason, he published “Presidentialization, Pluralization, and the Rollback of Itamaraty: Explaining Change in Brazilian Foreign Policy Making in the Cardoso-Lula Era” in the *International Political Science Review* (March 2009). He also contributed the article “Compulsory for Whom? Mandatory Voting and Electoral Participation in Brazil, 1986-2006” for the inaugural issue (April 2009) to the new *Journal of Politics in Latin America*, of which he is associate editor. During the year, he gave presentations to the Royal College of Defence Studies, the FCO, the Ditchley Foundation, the University of Salamanca and the Latin American Studies Association. None of these gigs gave him as much pleasure as did sitting in on bass guitar with “The Funky Llamas,” the official house band of the LAC, at the centre’s summer garden party in June.

DIEGO SANCHEZ-ANCOCHEA was appointed University Lecturer in the Political Economy of Latin America in October 2009 and has had an exciting first year in Oxford. He learnt how to combine its various responsibilities at the Latin American Centre (where he lectures on Economics of Latin America), the Department of International Development (Politics and Economics of Development and Latin America) and St Antony’s College. In the first part of 2009, he published two co-edited books *The Political Economy of the Budgets in the Americas* (with Iwan Morgan) and *Transnational Corporations and Development Policy* (with Eric Rugraff and Andy Sumner), the Special Issue “Latin America Capitalism: Economic and Social Policy in Transition” in *Economy & Society* (vol. 38, no. 1) with Juliana Martínez and Maxine Molyneux and an article on Latin America’s neoliberal model in a Spanish journal. During the academic year, he also had the opportunity to make presentations of his work at the School of Oriental and African Studies, the Institute for the Study of the Americas (his old home, where he made three different presentations), the Eastern Economic Association Conference in New York and the Latin American Studies Association in Rio de Janeiro. Dr Sánchez-Ancochea continued his collaboration with the Instituto de Iberoamerica of the University of Salamanca and with the Norwegian Research Council, where he is member of the Latin American Programme Management Committee.

### **Research Fellow**

EDUARDO POSADA-CARBO started his three year appointment as a Departmental Lecturer in Latin American Politics at SIAS. He is also a Senior Research Fellow at St Antony’s.

He completed the edition of the first volume of the *Historia Contemporánea de Colombia* (a five volume history of Colombia to be published by Fundación Mapfre in Spain), for which he is the general editor. He also worked towards the completion of two further edited collections: The first, on elections and the origins of democracy in the Americas (co-edited with J. Samuel Valenzuela), the result of a conference he co-convened with J. Samuel Valenzuela at the Kellogg Institute, Notre Dame University, in September 2008; the second (co-edited with Iván Jaksic), on liberalism in nineteenth-century Latin America, the result of a conference on the subject previously held at the Stanford University programme in Santiago, Chile.

With Enrique Ayala Mora, he co-edited *Los proyectos nacionales americanos: sus instrumentos y articulación, 1870-1930*, corresponding to volume VII of Unesco’s *Historia General de América Latina* (Ediciones Unesco/ Editorial Trotta, 2008), where he is also the author of a chapter on the history of the press in Latin America. He also published “Sorpresas de la historia. Independencia y democratización en Hispanoamérica”, in *Revista de Occidente* (326-327, Madrid, 2008).

With Malcolm Deas, he co directed a Liberty Fund colloquium on “Jeremy Bentham and Liberalism in Nineteenth-century Colombia”, held at Cartagena on 22-25 January 2009. In May 2009 he

presented a paper -“Elections and the Origins of Democracy in Colombia, 1809-1886”- at a Research Seminar on Colombia organized by Professor Anthony McFarlane, held at the British Academy in London. In March 2009, he was awarded a “Doctorado Honoris Causa” by the Universidad del Norte in Barranquilla, Colombia.

#### **Associate Members and Visiting Fellows**

JOHN CRABTREE has continued to work on the politics of Peru and Bolivia, with occasional forays northwards into Ecuador. He co-edited (with Laurence Whitehead) a book entitled *Unresolved Tensions: Bolivia Past and Present*, published at the end of 2008 by the University of Pittsburgh Press. A Spanish translation of this was due out in July 2009, published by Plural in La Paz. His chapter on Bolivia in a compendium on Latin American politics, entitled *Reclaiming Latin America* and published by Zed Press, was also due to be published in July 2009. He has continued to play an active role in the teaching work of the Latin American Centre, as well as organising and teaching a ten-week course on Latin American politics for Oxford University’s Department for Continuing Education. In December 2008, he received a doctorate by published work from Oxford Brookes University, under the title ‘Democracy without Representation? The Peruvian Party System (1980-2008)’.

EDGARDO MONDOLFI GUDAT was “Andrés Bello” Visiting Fellow at the LAC for 2008-2009. He is a Full-time Professor at the the School of Liberal Studies of the Universidad Metropolitana (Caracas, Venezuela). He holds a B.A. in Literature (Universidad Central de Venezuela), a M.A. Degree in International Studies (American University, Washington), and is currently a candidate for a DPhil in History (Universidad Católica Andrés Bello, Caracas). During his term as Andrés Bello Fellow, Mr. Mondolfi centered his research on the first ten years of diplomatic contacts between Venezuela and Great Britain (1810-1820). In order to undertake this research, which comprised manuscripts as well as periodicals and other primary sources kept at both Public and Private Archives in the UK, Mr. Mondolfi concentrated heavily on primary sources located at the Public Records Office (Kew Gardens), the British Library, the British Periodical Library, as well as at the Bodleian Library, Taylorian Institute, All Souls College, Harris Manchester College, Wadham College, Worcester College and the Vere Harmsworth Library. On April of this year, Mr. Mondolfi was able to offer some insights on his research during a Presentation held at the LAC under the title of “Insurgent Diplomacy: Venezuela’s First Contacts with Great Britain, 1810-1820”.

## MIDDLE EASTERN STUDIES

### **The Middle East Centre**

The 2008-2009 academic year has witnessed unprecedented growth and development in the Middle East Centre. The Centre concluded a major new benefaction to establish a chair in Islamic studies that will add a seventh permanent member to the Centre's fellowship. The Centre also secured planning permission for its new building from Oxford City Council, and received a remarkable gift to continue with the design and development of the project. The Centre concluded a cooperation agreement with the Ca' Foscari University of Venice, with the support of the Venice Foundation. And the Centre is proud to announce a new annual lecture to celebrate Arabic literature and culture.

The establishment of the HH Sheikh Hamad Bin Khalifa Al Thani Chair in Contemporary Islamic Studies was made possible by the generous support of the Qatar Foundation. The benefaction for the Chair was made to the Faculty of Oriental Studies, with an endowed Fellowship at St Antony's. The post was formally announced during the visit of British Prime Minister Gordon Brown to Qatar on 2 November 2008. Dr Eugene Rogan, Centre Director, briefed the Prime Minister on the cooperation agreement concluded between the Qatar Foundation and St Antony's. For the first ten years of its establishment, the Chair will teach for eight weeks in the Qatar Faculty of Islamic Studies, a Qatari postgraduate college based in Doha's Education City. In addition, faculty and researchers from Oxford will take part in team-taught options for a total of eight weeks in the spring, fostering an unprecedented degree of exchange between Oxford and a Middle Eastern university.

The post was advertised internationally and a short list of three candidates was interviewed by the University's Board of Electors. The University was delighted to announce that Professor Tariq Ramadan has been appointed the first holder of the Sheikh Hamad Chair, with effect from 1 October 2009. The Chair will teach contemporary Islamic thought and will promote research on Islam in Europe, in collaboration with colleagues in the European Studies Centre.

The Softbridge Building received conditional approval in a tense meeting of the Oxford City Council on 4 September 2008. The unconventional design by Zaha Hadid Architects split the Council's Planning Committee with four members strongly supportive of the scheme and four equally opposed. The deciding vote in favour of planning permission was cast by the Committee's chair, in support of the planning officer's recommendations. The September approval came with strict conditions, and for the next six months the architects revised their plans to meet the Council's terms. Full planning permission was awarded for the scheme on 31 March 2009. The Centre has three years within which to break ground. The Centre is enormously grateful to its anonymous benefactor for continued support for this project, and is pleased to announce another major gift to meet the costs of architectural design and related consultants' fees to see the project through the tender process.

The Centre is delighted to announce the expansion of its cooperation with European universities to promote postgraduate study of the Middle East. In June 2009 the Centre concluded a cooperation agreement with the Ca' Foscari University of Venice, for three years in the first instance. In return for an annual subvention from the Venice Foundation, MEC Fellows will visit Venice and lecture to masters students in international studies. Professor Shlaim and Dr Rogan lectured at Ca' Foscari in Trinity Term, and it is expected that two fellows will take part in the exchange each year. In future, it is hoped that the exchange might be expanded to enable Oxford students to travel to Venice to take part in specialist training courses with students of Ca' Foscari jointly taught by faculty from both institutions.

The Centre has entered into an agreement with the Abu Dhabi-based Sheikh Zayed Book Award to host an annual lecture celebrating excellence in Arabic letters. The SZBA, now in its fourth year, has emerged as one of the most important literary prizes in the Arab world. With eight prizes each year – in the social sciences, for young authors, in translation, in literature, in children’s literature, in fine arts, publishing and distribution, and “cultural personality of the year” – the SZBA pays tribute to Arabic publishing across North Africa, the Middle East and the Arabian Peninsula. The inaugural lecture was given on 5 November 2009 by Literature prize-winner Jamal al-Ghitani (Egypt), for his novel *Rin*. Thereafter, the Lecture will be held in Trinity Term, shortly after the announcement of the prize.

It has been an excellent year for the intellectual life of the Centre. On 27 February we welcomed Dr Ahmad Chalabi to give his “Reflections on the American Intervention in Iraq,” chaired by Honorary Fellow Foulath Hadid. Other events on Iraq included a lecture by Dr Joseph Sassoon (SAM) in March on Iraqi refugees post 2003, the subject of his recent book.

In May we enjoyed an evening with Alaa Al Aswany, bestselling Egyptian author of *The Yacoubian Building*, *Chicago*, and *Friendly Fire*. Other events in cultural studies included a musical evening with Turkish composer/performer Latif Bolat in October, and a discussion with Ali Allawi (SAM) of his new book, *The Crisis of Islamic Civilization*.

H.E. Bouthaina Shaaban, minister and media advisor to the President of Syria, addressed the Centre on “Syria’s Vital Role in the Middle East” in November.

H.E. Shaykh Nasser Al Khalifa, chairman of Qatar Katrina Fund, spoke development and reconstruction aid given by Qatar and other Gulf states to the United States in the aftermath of the Katrina Disaster in New Orleans.

The Sixth King Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud Annual Lecture was given on 20 November by Dr Abdullah Saleh M Al-Uthaimin, member of the Saudi Shura Council, on “The Movement of Ibn Abdulwahab: a historical and doctrinal perspective.”

33<sup>rd</sup> Annual George Antonius Lecture was given on 4 June by Professor Marilyn Booth (Edinburgh), entitled “House as Novel, Novel as House: The Global, the Intimate and the Terrifying in Contemporary Egyptian Literature.”

The Michaelmas Term seminar was convened, exceptionally, by two advanced doctoral students. Ms Reem Abou-El-Fadl and Mr Abdel Razzak Takriti organized a series of six lectures to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the union of Syria and Egypt in the United Arab Republic (1958 – 1961). The speakers were Henry Laurens (Collège de France), Mahmoud Abdel Fadil (American University in Cairo), Ilan Pappé (Exeter), Muhammad Jamal Barout (Aleppo), Tewfik Aclimandos (CEDEJ, Cairo) and Peter Sluglett (Utah).

The Centre held a number of events in Moroccan and North African studies in the course of the year. In November, Michael Peyron (Al Akhawayn) spoke on Berbers in history and gave a seminar with Angela Suarez Collado (Madrid) on Berber and regional identity in Morocco. Lise Storm (Exeter) spoke in December on international aid and development in Morocco. In January, Yahia Zoubir (EUROMED Marseille) spoke on US policy and the Maghreb. Raphaëlle Branche (Paris I) spoke on memories of the Algerian War of Independence in March, and Jan Jansen (SOAS) presented her

research on settler colonialism in Algeria. The Alistair Horne Fellow, Stephanie Hare, spoke on her research on France and the Algerian War.

Dr Ahmad Al-Shahi, Research Fellow, organized a series of successful conferences and lectures for the Sudan Programme, as set out in his entry below.

It was a particularly active year in Iranian Studies. Visiting Iranian Fellow Ali Gheissari (San Diego) spoke in January on Shiism and Constitutionalism in Iran, and presented his new book, *Contemporary Iran: Economy, Society, Politics* (OUP) in May. Hooshang Amirahmadi, SAM (Rutgers) lectured in February on US President Obama's policies towards Iran. Yann Richard (Sorbonne Nouvelle) gave an overview of the 1921 Coup in Iran. And Emanuele Ottolenghi (Transatlantic Institute, Brussels) returned to the MEC to present his new book on Europe and the Iranian nuclear programme.

In Israel studies, we welcomed Shai Feldman (Brandeis) who spoke on US policies towards the Arab-Israeli conflict in November, and returned in April to consider the implications of the new Netanyahu government in Israel for U.S. Mid East policies. This followed a panel discussion to assess the February election results convened by Pears/Rich Research Fellow in Israel Studies, Raffaella Del Sarto, which included Moshe Behar and Avi Shlaim. Also in April, Idit Nathan of MachsomWatch spoke on Israeli checkpoints in the Palestinian territories.

In Palestine studies, Anne Le More of Chatham House spoke on foreign aid to the Palestinians on 24 February.

The Centre for Lebanese Studies Visiting Fellow Maha Shuayb presented her research on youth political views and the education system in contemporary Lebanon in May.

Bruce Hoffman (Georgetown) addressed the MEC and the Pluscarden Programme at St Antony's on al-Qaeda and the Taliban in Pakistan and war on terrorism on 30 October.

There were other excellent lectures in the modern history of the Middle East. Salim Tamari (Bir Zeit) spoke in November on the diaries of Ottoman soldiers in WWI.

James Barr (St Antony's) gave two research-in-progress presentations from his forthcoming book, examining French support for Zionist terrorism in mandate Palestine (February) and British-French relations in the Middle East between the two world wars (May).

The Hadid Scholarship for 2009-10 was awarded to Nadia von Maltzahn for her doctoral research on the role of culture in Syrian-Iranian relations post-1979.

The Hourani Scholarship for 2009-10 was awarded to Naysan Rafati for his doctoral research on political exiles and statecraft in the Middle East, 1979-2003.

The Walter Zander Prize for the best performance in the MPhil examination was awarded to Hussein Omar (Magdalen).

The staff members at the Centre are Julia Cook, Administrator, Mastan Ebtehaj, Librarian, Debbie Usher, Archivist, and Susan Godfrey, Housekeeper.

### **Middle East Centre Archive**

During the past year 127 readers have made 290 visits to the Middle East Centre Archive and consulted 1857 items. The archivist, Debbie Usher, has answered 1064 enquiries and supplied 1767 photocopies, 163 JPEG images of documents and 139 photographic images. In addition she has catalogued the Royston Ball, BBC Documentary: No Plan No Peace, David Brown, John Burt, Victor Emery, John Hunt, Derek Kent, Eric Lowe and The Star Newspaper Armistice Edition Collections. The Archive was also host to Jenny Smith, who worked as a volunteer seeking cataloguing experience in the Archive, in August 2008. Under the supervision of the archivist, Jenny Smith catalogued the Sir Geoffrey Arthur and John Poole Collections. Due to this years' cataloguing 11 collections are now open totalling 5 boxes, 4 files and 2 items.

Work in the Archive this year has been marked by a considerable increase in the use of the Archive. A larger number of readers have made more visits to the Archive and the number of items requested has jumped from 1033 to 1857 – an increase of 824 items (an item mainly being a box or a file). Enquiries have also increased by a significant 224 enquiries. Despite the strain of increased use, improvements to the storage and services offered by the Archive have been made and four projects have been worked on consisting of the Philby Project, the Sinderson Project, the Charles Butt Project and lastly the Palestine Veterans' Association and Command Collections Project.

The Philby Project has continued with the completion of the Islam and also the Iraq sections of the Philby Catalogue. Work on clearing copyrights for material not written by Philby (such as incoming correspondence) has also commenced and so far the Archive has been successful in clearing copyrights for Gertrude Bell, Sir Reader Bullard, Harold Dickson, Sir John Bagot Glubb, T.E. and A.W. Lawrence, Richard Meinertzhagan, Freya Stark and Wilfred Thesiger.

The Archive has continued to benefit greatly from membership of the Oxford Conservation Consortium (OCC). The OCC has conserved material from the Cunningham Collection (1 item), the Palestine Police Service Record Cards (4 bundles) and the Jerusalem and East Mission Collection (17 items) including the first volume of Bible Lands dated 1899-1903 and 12 copies of *The Palestine News* which was produced for soldiers serving under General Allenby in 1918. The OCC has also started a conservation survey of the Glubb Collection as a basis for recommending treatment of the Collection as part of a future funding bid. Following the recommendation of the OCC the archivist also went on a Society of Archivists conservation training day in Birmingham in March 2009. The training day focused on new archive buildings as well as problems and remedies in Archive buildings. Following this training day further improvements were made in the Archive's disaster kit, which will help to protect the collection from water damage in the event of a disaster.

Improvements have also been made to the Archive's storage area with the installation of additional shelving in January 2009. The Archive ran out of space in the autumn of 2008 so the last wall in the Archive has now been utilised for static shelving, giving the Archive an additional 21.94 linear meters of space which will house 276 boxes. It is hoped that this additional space will be sufficient to cover growth in the Archive until the completion of the much needed new Middle East Centre building. In December 2008 a successful funding application was submitted to the Anglo-Omani Society for the Charles Butt Project. The Archive would like to thank the Anglo-Omani Society for a grant of £3,600.00 which paid for a digitisation computer, Extensis Portfolio image management software, the latest version of Photoshop, archival packaging for 10,000 colour slides and the labour costs of typing up captions and scanning over 7000 slides relating to Oman in the Charles Butt Collection. The Charles Butt Project is now nearing completion and a gallery of over 200 of the best Oman images will be made available online as a photo gallery once the project is completed. New web pages

showcasing the Oman Archive and the Charles Butt Project have also been created and a light box for slides and negatives has also been purchased.

As a result of the Charles Butt Project, the Archive has not only significantly increased its stock of digital images relating to Oman but now has the equipment necessary for future digitisation projects. The acquisition of image management software is significant step forward in the Archive's ability to manage an increasing number of digital images which now total over 20,000. Most of these images are the result of digitisation projects to increase access and preserve originals. To protect these digital assets the Archive applied and was accepted in February 2009 to store data on the Archive service provided by OUCS.

The other main digitisation project this year has been to digitise the photographs of Sir Harry Sinderson, which the Sinderson family kindly loaned to us to copy. Sir Harry Sinderson was the physician to the royal family of Iraq from 1921 to 1946 and the over 1000 Sinderson photographs include images of the Iraqi royal family, the opening of the Royal College of Medicine and Iraq during this period. In addition to the Sinderson Collection images in the George Webb Collection (200 items), James Morrison Collection (19 items) and the John Poole Collection (84 items) have been digitised. The Jane Digby microfilm has also been digitised with the help of the Vere Harmsworth Library which kindly permitted the use of its microfilm equipment.

Following the purchase of software to enable automatic batch watermarking and resizing of images the Archive was able to offer a new photo research service. From December 2008 researchers have been able to order via email watermarked browsing copies of photographs. Researchers can then select which images they would like to purchase without watermarking and fill out our standard photo order form. The research service provides the first half hour of research free and thereafter any research or scanning of images costs £15.00 per hour. This new service is a significant step forward in increasing access to our photographic collection and it enables the easy selection and purchase of images by researchers who have not visited the Archive.

Continuing the theme of development of our photographic resources the Archive would like to thank the donors and families of donors for copyright assignments for the Edward Ashley, Malcolm Astley, John Bagot Glubb, James Kirkcaldy, Bini Malcolm, John Poole, Hamish Roberts and the Arthur Lionel Smith Collections. Copyright assignment enables the Archive to provide copies of photographs for research and publication. The Archive would also like to thank the family of Sidney Carter for licensing the Archive to act on its behalf with regard to copyright in the Sidney Carter photographs. The final project in the Archive this year has been the Palestine Veterans' Association and Palestine Command Collections Project to collect the papers and photographs of members of the Armed Forces that served at the end of the Palestine Mandate. In October 2008 the Archive printed 1400 leaflets giving information about the Archive and requesting papers, photographs and memoirs which Eric Lowe then kindly posted with a covering letter to the members of the Palestine Veterans' Association. Due to this collecting project, by the end of May 2009, an additional 18 Collections of papers and photographs had been received which is reflected in our high number of new accessions for this year.

### MEC Library

In the summer of 2008 a selection of under-used books and periodicals which were kept on the top floor at 68 Woodstock Road were transferred to an out-house storage space. The newly created space has been filled with the 'Rare Books' collection.

In December the MEC library and OULS signed a contract to continue with their cooperation.

In December, for the first time in its history, the library managed to undertake an inventory of its current and non-current serials holdings. The result was an astonishing discovery. A total of 200 titles in non-European languages and 146 titles in the European languages were accounted for. For a complete list of titles in non-European languages please see below: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/mec/mec-library-NEL.html> and for a complete list of titles in the European languages please see below: <http://www.sant.ox.ac.uk/mec/mec-library-EU.html>.

The annual subscription to six journals has been cancelled, due to their availability on OU e-journal. Currently, at the OULS level, the following two important issues are under discussion: (a) the move of the oriental collections in the near future to the Radcliffe Observatory Quarter (ROQ) and (b) the adoption of the Library of Congress Classification scheme across the Humanities collections. The librarian has attended the COLPSME meetings to take part in these discussions.

The librarian attended the Melcom UK winter meeting in January. In that meeting she was elected as the new Chair of the Committee.

Finally, the following DPhil students have been helping the librarian in the daily routine work of the library. Their help is much appreciated: Adam Berry, Laura Smith, Pegah Zohouri-Haghian, Zahra Javidi (spouse of DPhil student), and Tania Saeed.

### Governing Body Fellows

DR WALTER ARMBRUST continued as Course Director for the taught courses in Modern Middle Eastern Studies (MPhil and MSt). Dr Armbrust's guest-edited special issue of the journal *History Compass* (<http://www.blackwell-compass.com/subject/history/>), titled "The Formation of National Culture in Egypt: Social, Cultural and Intellectual Trajectories," went online in January 2009. Armbrust's contributions included an introduction to the special issue and the article "Long Live Love: Patriarchy in the Time of Muhammad Abd al-Wahhab." Dr Armbrust presented a paper entitled "Egyptian National Cinema?" at the Middle East Studies Association conference in Washington D.C. (November 24, 2008). He also presented "The History of New Media in the Arab Middle East" in Abu Dhabi at the Conference on Education, Media and Human Development, organized by New York University (March 20, 2009). Dr Armbrust contributed a more developed version of this paper to the Critical Middle East Studies Workshop, sponsored by the British Academy (March 20, 2009). He was unable to attend the workshop due to a scheduling conflict, but his paper was presented and discussed at the workshop.

DR CJ KERSLAKE, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in Turkish, continued to work with Dr Asli Göksel of Boğaziçi University, Istanbul, on *Turkish: An Essential Grammar* (to be published by Routledge). Her article 'A contrastive study of apposition in English and Turkish' was published in Éva Á. Csató et al. (eds), *Turcological Letters to Bernt Brendemoen*, Oslo: The Institute for Comparative Research in Human Culture, 2009, 155-168. She played a part (with Dr Kerem Öktem of the European Studies Centre and Dr Philip Robins) in the final preparation for publication of *Turkey's*

*Engagement with Modernity: Conflict and Change in the Twentieth Century*, which is to be published in the Palgrave Macmillan St Antony's Series. Dr Kerlake also reviewed articles submitted for publication in the fields of Turkish linguistics (*Australian Journal of Linguistics*) and Turkish cultural history (*International Journal of Turkish Studies*).

DR PHILIP ROBINS, Faculty Fellow and Reader in Middle East Politics, took up the position of Junior Proctor of the University in March 2009, a position that he will hold for one year. Over the course of the last year Dr Robins published two articles in fulfilment of his British Academy grant on illegal drugs in Turkey. They were: 'Back from the Brink: Turkey's Ambivalent Approaches to the Hard Drugs Issue' (*The Middle East Journal* Vol.62, No.4); and 'Public policy making in Turkey: faltering attempts to generate a national drugs policy' (*Policy and Politics*, Vol.37, No.2). He also published a chapter entitled 'The War for Regime Change in Iraq' in Louise Fawcett's second edition of the *International Relations of the Middle East* (Oxford University Press). In February 2009 Dr Robins produced an extended paper on Turkey's relations with the Middle East, a paper commissioned as part of a review of policy by the British Foreign Office, which extended all the way up to the Foreign Secretary. He presented his ideas to an intra-governmental seminar in the spring. In November, Dr Robins took part in the second Arab Women's Conference in Abu Dhabi, devoted to the issue of women and security.

DR EUGENE ROGAN, Faculty Fellow and University Lecturer in the Modern History of the Middle East, continued as Centre Director. He travelled to Rabat to meet with the Moroccan British Society in September. In November he made two trips to the Gulf. He met with Prime Minister Gordon Brown in Doha to announce the establishment of the new chair in Islamic studies. Later in November he returned with the Vice Chancellor Dr John Hood as part of an Oxford official delegation to Qatar and the United Arab Emirates. In March he helped convene the Vice Chancellor's Research Forum on the Islamic World, bringing together scholars attached to the Oxford Centre for Islamic Studies, the Oriental Institute and the Middle East Centre to discuss their current research. In May he was keynote speaker at the American University in Beirut Alumni Association Dinner in London. He went to Venice to lecture at the Università Ca' Foscari in Venice. And in June he took part in the College's successful "St Antony's Looks at the World" day conference. He completed his new book, *The Arabs: A history*, which was published in November.

PROFESSOR AVI SHLAIM, Professor of International Relations, served as Sub-Warden of the College and as Director of Graduate Admissions in International Relations for the University. He was a visiting professor in March-April 2009 at the Sorbonne. The American edition of *Lion of Jordan: King Hussein's Life in War and Peace* was published by Alfred A. Knopf. An article he published in the *Guardian* on 7 January 2009 about the Israeli attack on Gaza was translated into ten languages and reprinted in countless newspapers and website. One version is 'Israel's War against Hamas: Rhetoric and Reality', *Islamica* magazine, 19 January 2009. He also published 'The Civil War in Palestine', in Mary Coll, ed., *Faithful Companions: Collected Essays Celebrating the 25th Anniversary of the Kate O'Brien Weekend* (Limerick, Ireland: Mellick Press, 2009), pp. 134-45; 'The Bush Administration, Palestine, and Iraq', *Culturas*, No. 4, 2009 (in Spanish); 'New History and the Nakba', *Haq al-Awda*, 14 May 2009 (in Arabic); and 'The Moderate Sharett against the Activist Ben-Gurion' in Yaakov and Rina Sharett, eds., *Pursuer of Peace: Aspects and Views on Moshe Sharett* [in Hebrew] (Tel Aviv: Moshe Sharett Heritage Society, 2008), pp. 423-58. He debated in the Palestine Institute in Washington DC with Ali Abunimah the one-state versus the two-state solutions to the Israel-Palestine conflict; participated in a panel on 'Israel at 60: What Happened to the Zionist dream?' in the Battle of Ideas festival, London; and spoke at a conference at Yale University on 'Reconfiguring a Region: Opportunities and Challenges in the Middle East'. He lectured at the Kevorkian Center, NYU

on 'Israel confronts its past: the "new historians" and their critics'; Sarah Lawrence College on 'The United States and the Arab-Israeli Peace Process: Challenges Facing the Next U.S. President'; the Middle East Institute, Columbia University, on 'Dialogue across the Battle Lines: King Hussein and Israel'; Queen Mary, London University, and Friends of *Le Monde Diplomatique*, London, on 'The History and Historiography of the Arab-Israeli Conflict'; The Institute for War and Peace Reporting, London, on 'The Gaza War'; Jews for Justice for Palestinians, London, on 'Israel's war against Hamas: Rhetoric and Reality'; IR Society, Oxford, 'Perspectives on Palestine' with Karma Nabulsi on the Gaza War; Ca Foscari University, Venice, on 'Israel: The Strategy of the Iron Wall Revisited'; and he gave four lectures on Zionism and the Palestinians at the Sorbonne, Paris.

DR MICHAEL WILLIS has continued to develop events and studies associated with the King Mohamed VI Fellowship in Moroccan and Mediterranean Studies which he holds.

Dr Willis has attended and spoken at a number of different institutions and conferences in Britain and abroad during the academic year. Within Oxford he contributed in March to the Vice-Chancellor's Forum on the Islamic World where he spoke on 'Thinking About Islamism: The Maghreb.' In London in December he gave a lecture on 'Pluralism in Morocco' at an event at the School of Oriental and African Studies (SOAS) entitled 'Morocco: Visions for the Future' organised by the Moroccan Memories National Touring Exhibition that has been documenting the experiences of the Moroccan community in Britain. In June he presented a paper on radicalisation in North Africa to a conference at Cambridge University. He also formed part of a panel of academic specialists on the Maghreb which met with British ambassadors from the region for a roundtable discussion at the Foreign Office in March. Outside of Britain he travelled in September to Rabat with Eugene Rogan where, in addition to meetings with the Moroccan British Society, he gave a lecture on Moroccan politics to the AMIDEAST programme in the city. In November he attended and contributed a paper on political reform in Morocco to the Middle East Studies Association (MESA) annual conference in Washington DC. In Oslo in June he spoke on the Maghreb and the Oslo Peace Process at a conference marking the fifteenth anniversary of the Oslo Declaration.

Dr Willis also organised a number of events in Oxford this academic year. In November he convened a lecture and a seminar on the Berber community in Morocco and in May a workshop at St Antony's on Maghreb history in co-conjunction with the Maison Française in Oxford.

This year Dr Willis co edited (with Driss Maghraoui) a special edition of the journal *Mediterranean Politics* on the theme of 'Reform in the Arab World: the Experience of Morocco' which was published in July and featured papers delivered at a conference on reform in Morocco held at St Antony's in May 2008. Dr Willis has also continued work on his book for Hurst and Columbia University Press on the comparative politics of the Maghreb states for which he travelled to Tunisia in April to conduct field work and interviews.

#### **Emeritus Fellows**

DR MUSTAFA BADAWI. Recent publications include 'A Turning Point in Arabic East/West Fiction: a study of the Egyptian novelist Bahaa Tahir's *Love in Exile*' published in *Al-Arabiyya* Vol. 40-41, 2007-2008 and 'From Primary to Secondary Qasidas: Thoughts on the development of classical Arabic Poetry' published in *Early Islamic Poetry and Poetics* ed. Suzanne Pinkney Stetkevych, Ashgate Publishing KLtd, USA, 2009.

DR DEREK HOPWOOD continued as an Emeritus Fellow, cultivating his garden. He attended and wrote a paper for a conference in Lebanon on views of Near East society as held by European travellers and chroniclers. He contributed a paper to a festschrift for a long standing colleague Paul Auchterlonie who is retiring from the Exeter University Library. He also attended the annual Melcom-International Conference in Kazan where he lectured to undergraduates following courses in Middle East studies. He also continued to write a monthly cookery column for his village newsletter and to sing in and write for the village choir.

MR ROBERT MABRO, Emeritus Fellow of the College and Fellow of St Catherine's College, is the Honorary President of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies. During this academic year he taught a course on the Geopolitics of Energy at the Institut Français du Pétrole. He was a Visiting professor at the New York University during the Spring Term 2009, teaching two courses on oil and Middle East economic history to Masters students. During his stay in New York he also delivered lectures at Princeton and Columbia.

### **Honorary and Foundation Fellows**

FOULATH HADID arranged for Dr Ahmad Chalabi, former Deputy Prime Minister, former President of the Iraq Governing Council and leader of the Iraq National Council Party to come to Oxford from Baghdad to deliver a lecture, which Mr Hadid chaired, on "Reflections on the American Intervention in Iraq".

Mr Hadid also delivered a lecture at the Middle East Centre on "Iraq's Democratic Moment: British Imperialism, Hashemite Kings and the National Democrats", which is the title of a forthcoming book he intends to publish with I. B. Tauris. He also participated in a panel discussion in the House of Lords on "Terrorism, Democracy and the Rule of Law: Can Democracy and the Rule of Law fight Terrorism effectively?"

PROFESSOR WR LOUIS holds the Kerr Chair in English History and Culture at the University of Texas, where he is also Distinguished Teaching Professor and Director of British Studies. A past President of the American Historical Association, he is Founding Director of the AHA's National History Center in Washington. In December 2008 he resigned on principle from the U.S. State Department's Historical Advisory Committee. His Britannia series remains in progress:

*Adventures with Britannia, More Adventures with Britannia, Still More Adventures with Britannia, Yet More Adventures with Britannia, and Penultimate Adventures with Britannia.* The volume to be published on Thanksgiving Day 2009 is *Ultimate Adventures*, to be followed by—would you believe it?—*Post-Ultimate Adventures*. He continues to draft chapters for *British Imperialism in the Revolutionary Middle East* (the sequel to *The British Empire in the Middle East*). He most recent book is *Ends of British Imperialism: The Scramble for Empire, Suez, and Decolonization*. He has undertaken to organize and edit the twentieth-century volume of the *History of the Oxford University Press*. He was recently chosen as Professor of the Year by the 50,000 students at the University of Texas. In the coming academic year he will hold the Kluge Chair at the Library of Congress.

### **Research Fellows**

DR AHMED AL-SHAHI. In October he participated in a panel discussion held at Chatham House on the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (Sudan), and he participated in the celebration of the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the establishment of the Department of Anthropology and Sociology, University of Khartoum, where he read a paper on "Pluralism and Governance in Sudan: reflections on the local and national perspective". He also gave a talk to the Centre for Future

Thinking, Khartoum, on “The Significance and Problems of the Diversity in Sudan”. In November he attended a closed meeting at Chatham House on ‘Stumbling blocks to the stability in Sudan’. In January, he attended the launch and discussion of a ‘New Chatham House Report on the Comprehensive Peace Agreement’ held at Chatham House. In March, he attended a meeting on ‘Somaliland’s role in the stability of the Horn of Africa’ held at Chatham House. In June he chaired a talk at Chatham House on ‘Darfur and Somalia: how to solve the crisis in the Horn of Africa’ given by Pekka Haavisto (MP and Finish Special Envoy for the Horn of Africa Crises).

As co-organiser with Bona Malwal (SAM) of the Sudan Programme, he organized the following: in October, a lecture on “The Oil Boom and its Implications in Sudan”; in November, a lecture on “The Indictment Effort by the International Criminal Court (ICC) and its Implication for the Peace Process in Sudan” and “Darfur in Comparative Perspective: Regional Crises, Ethnic Exclusion and Civil War in Africa”; in January, a lecture on “Darfur and Conflict Resolution in Sudan: Where Did it Go Wrong?”; in February, an international conference on “Local, Regional and National Dimensions of Identity in Sudan”; in June, a lecture on “Land, ‘Community’ and Conflict; land disputes in Juba, southern Sudan after the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA), and an international conference on “Sudan: Four Years of the Implication of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement (CPA)” at which the Chairman of the Assessment and Evaluation Commission of the CPA, Sir Derek Plumbly, the Secretary-General of the Sudan People’s Liberation Movement, Mr Pa’gan Amum, and the Minister of State at Sudan’s Ministry of Cabinet Affairs, Dr Taj Al-Sirr Mahjoub, were the main speakers. He contributed to the supervision of postgraduate students. He continued his research on the anthropology of northern Sudan and the works of Peter Lienhardt in the Arab Shaikhdoms of the Gulf. He published: “Sudan” in *The Annual Register of World Events* (vol. 250, ProQuest, USA, 2009)

DR RAFFAELLA A DEL SARTO is the Pears/Rich Fellow in Israel Studies, a joint post with the Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies; she is also associated with the RAMSES Mediterranean Studies network through the European Studies Centre. Her research project that deals with the contributions (or failures) of IR theory in explaining the persistence of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. In February, she presented her preliminary research findings in the IR faculty seminar (*‘Paradigms and Predictions: Can IR Theory Explain the Persistence of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict?’*) Dr Del Sarto also organized a panel discussion on Israel’s parliamentary elections at the Middle East Centre in February, in which she was also one of the three panellists. In Hilary term, she gave additional talks on Israeli Politics and society. These included talks on *‘Israel: Divided Societies and Peace Making’* at Manchester University and *‘Domestic Cleavages and Political Mandates: Israel after the Elections’* at University College London (both took place in March). She also acted as discussant in the conference on *‘Altneuland: Multiplicity and Fragmentation in Israeli Identity’* (Oxford Centre for Hebrew and Jewish Studies). In the field of Europe’s relations with the Middle East, Dr Del Sarto was a panellist at the European Studies Centre’s core seminar on *‘Security, Conflicts and Borders in the New Euro-Med Agenda, from Morocco to Cyprus: Strategic Turn or More of the Same?’* and she was one of the co-convenors of the conference on *‘Agent of Change in the Mediterranean’* which took place in June (hosted by the ESC, the MEC and the Maison Francaise d’Oxford). She participated at the Annual EuroMeSCo conference in Amman (where she acted as a working group rapporteur), and she also gave a paper on the failures of the EU’s democratisation policy in the Middle East and North Africa at a workshop at the ETH Zurich in June. A book chapter on *‘Borderlands: The Middle East and North Africa as the EU’s Southern Buffer Zone’* in the edited volume *Mediterranean Frontiers: Borders, Conflicts and memory in a Transnational World* (edited by D Bechev and K Nicolaidis, London: I.B. Tauris) is forthcoming.

Dr HOMA KATOUIAN continued his editorship of *Iranian Studies*, Journal of the International Society for Iranian Studies, of which five more issues were published from September 2008 to June 2009. Likewise, he continued to act as joint editor (together with Professor Mohamad Tavakoli-Targhi of the University of Toronto) of the book series in Iranian studies, published by Routledge, of the Taylor and Francis Group, on behalf of the International Society for Iranian Studies, of which five volumes have so far been published. He also continued to serve on the Board and Executive Council of ISIS, and the Academic Committee of the Iran Heritage Foundation.

He continued to supervise his research students whose number this year increased to five (all of them St Antony's students), and act as examiner for Persian and Modern Middle Eastern studies. In February 2009, he delivered a lecture at the British-based Iran Society on Iraj, a major modern Iranian poet, which is due to be published in their journal. He presented a paper to the international conference on Forugh Farrokhzad (the most renowned Persian woman poet) held in July 2008 at Manchester University, which is forthcoming in the conference collection. He also attended a few other conferences, notably the conference on how to negotiate with Iran sponsored by the Foreign Office and the Oriental Institute and held at St Antony's. He spent 3-11 June 2009 in Japan at the invitation of the University of Osaka to deliver two lectures on Persian literature and talk to their students and staff of Persian and Iranian studies.

He finished writing his book on Iranian history – *The Persians: ancient, medieval and modern Iran* – for Yale University Press, which was published in October 2009. He wrote 'Sadeq Hedayat: His Life and Works' as the introduction to Sadeq Hedayat, *Three Drops of Blood*, tr. Deborah Miller Mostaghel, London: Oneworld, 2008, and Sadeq Hedayat, *The Blind Owl*, tr. D.P. Costello, London: Oneworld, 2008. His article 'Private Parts and Public Discourses in Modern Iran' was published in *Comparative Studies of South Asia, Africa and the Middle East*, 28, 2, 2008, pp. 283-290. The fourteenth impression of the Persian translation of his *Political Economy of Modern Iran* was published in Tehran in winter 2008, as was the fifth impression of his *Hedayat's The Blind Owl* (a critical monograph).

DR LEÏLA VIGNAL is a Marie Curie post-doctoral fellow in Geography. In 2008-2008, she has been working extensively on the publication of her PhD in the form of two books:

*Global Cairo, une métropole dans la mondialisation*, Paris : Editions des Presses Universitaires de France And *Territoires et réseaux de la mondialisation: Beyrouth et Damas à l'heure globale*, Beyrouth/Damas: Editions de l'Institut Français du Proche-Orient.

She has also taken part to several conferences : a conference in Damascus (Novembre 2008, Institut Français du Proche-Orient, Paper: *Les dynamiques métropolitaines de la mondialisation à Damas: premiers constats et pistes de réflexion*) ; a conference in Amman (April 2009, Leeds University, Paper; *The new territories of tourism in Egypt: a global frontier?*), a conference she co-convened in June in Oxford (St Antony's College-Maison Française, Paper: *Economy and economic actors as agents of change in the Mediterranean?*), the BRISMES (British Middle Eastern association) conference in Manchester (July 2009, Paper: *Global Damascus: Global and Transnational Processes as Engines of Metropolitan Transformations*).

She has submitted two articles to reviews: the first one is entitled "The Egypt/EU Partnership and the Economic Reform process in Egypt: from the Association Agreement to the European Neighbourhood Policy (ENP)", the second one "the inversion of the territories of tourism in Egypt" (based on the paper presented at the Amman conference).

She has also made a presentation at the seminar organised by Oxford Vice-Chancellor in March 2009 (Paper: *Globalisation and urban societies in the Middle East*).

DR ALIA BRAHIMI has been attached to the Middle East Centre during her two-year fellowship at the Oxford Leverhulme Programme on the Changing Character of War. She is nearing completion of her book, *Jihad and Just War in the War on Terror* (Oxford University Press) and has several article forthcoming: 'Crushed in the Shadows: Why Al-Qaeda Will Lose the War of Ideas', *Studies in Conflict and Terrorism* 33:2 (February 2010); 'Terrorist Beheadings: Politics and Reciprocity', in Adam Roberts and Sibylle Scheipers, eds, *Prisoners in War* (Oxford University Press); 'Religion and War' in Hew Strachan and Sibylle Scheipers, eds, *The Changing Character of War* (Oxford University Press); 'Asymétrie Morale' in Didier Danet, Christian Malis and Hew Strachan, eds, *La Guerre Irrégulière* (Economica). Over the course of the last year, she has delivered a series of lectures abroad, including 'Why Osama bin Laden Wants to Kill You' at the US Naval War College in Rhode Island and 'The Illogic of Massacre: Why Al-Qaeda Will Share the Fate of the GIA' at Le Centre d'Etudes Maghrébines en Algérie. She has also attended a number of conferences, ranging from the St. Cyr Military Academy's Symposium on Irregular Warfare to the British International Studies Association's Annual Meeting in Exeter. In addition to supervising MPhil students of International Relations, she taught a special paper for the Middle East Centre entitled 'Islam in International Relations'.

#### **Visiting Fellows and Associate Members**

DR ALI GHEISSARI (OA), Visiting Iranian Fellow and Associate of the sub Faculty of Near and Middle Eastern Studies (2008-2009), gave a series of seminars and papers in the context of his current research on aspects of constitutional and judicial history, including 'Shi'ism and Constitutionalism in Iran' (St Antony's College, MEC, 30 January); 'Constitutional Rights and the Development of Civil Law in Iran, 1906-1941' (SOAS, 2 March); 'Iran's Judiciary and its Constitutional Mandate in the Islamic Republic' (Center for Middle Eastern Studies, Lund University, 2 May); and 'Constitutionalism and the question of Independent Judiciary in Iran' (International Institute for the Sociology of Law, Onati, Spain, 28 May). During Michaelmas Term he completed work on an edited volume, *Contemporary Iran: Economy, Society, Politics* (Oxford University Press); this also included his coauthored chapter on 'New Conservative Politics and Electoral Behavior in Iran'. A book launch was held at the Centre on 20 May 2009. On the topic of Iranian elections he further gave a joint paper on 'The Evolution of Iran's Electoral System: Rules, Institutions and Practice' (Centre for Iranian Studies, Durham University, 2 June). In addition he collaborated in a number of graduate supervisions and offered tutorials on modern Iranian history.

PROFESSOR HOSSEIN MODARRESSI, Golestaneh Fellow, continued to work on the second volume of his *Tradition and Survival: A Bibliographical Survey of Early Shi'ite Literature*.

## RUSSIAN AND EURASIAN STUDIES

### **The Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre**

This was a landmark year for the Centre. Michaelmas term saw the completion of the Library project. We now have a wholly remodelled Reading Room, complete with mezzanine, as well as a structurally refashioned lower library area which now boasts rolling stacks and a new seminar room (excellent photos of the Reading Room can be found in the Spring 2009 St Antony's Newsletter). That this major project was brought in on time and with such a high quality of finish was due to the hard work of a very effective team: Graham Bannell the architect, Knowles the builders, and on the College side, the Bursar Allan Taylor, the Domestic Bursar Peter Robinson, the RESC administrator Richard Ramage, and Robert Service, who as Centre director until autumn 2008 saw the refurbishment through to a very late stage. Alex Pravda, who took over as director in October, had to deal only with the finishing touches. Richard Ramage organised the operation of moving our holdings into their new home and did much of the 'heavy lifting' involved in making sure all was in place in time for opening celebrations.

In close cooperation with Emma Tracy and Ranj Majumdar in the Development Office, Richard organised two highly successful events to launch the new-look Reading Room. A College gathering at the beginning of May gave us a chance to thank all those who had helped and put up with the disruption that accompanies any major building project. A fortnight later we had a larger launch party, attended by nearly a hundred Antonians and friends of the Centre. The Warden and the RESC director found that the new mezzanine made an excellent platform from which to express our collective thanks to those whose generosity had made the project possible. In addition to the usual refreshments, we had music and pictures. Rosamund Bartlett organised three fellow cellists to play some Russian and other European pieces. Avril Pyman kindly made available for exhibition pictures painted by her late husband, the Russian artist Kirill Sokolov, during the winter of 1989 which they spent on Spetses in a villa owned by Max Hayward, a founding Fellow of the Centre. And it was Max Hayward who played a key role in holding one of the most important international conferences held in the Library, that on Soviet literature in 1962. The removal of the central shelving blocks and the flexibility of the new furnishings will make it possible for us to have conferences in the Reading Room once again. The attractively light look of the Library has already resulted in a marked increase in the number of regular readers. And we have already begun making out-of-hours use of the Library for teaching and discussions, so supplementing the facilities of the new seminar room.

We owe a great debt of gratitude to the institutional and the individual donors whose generous support made it possible to transform our Library into such a splendid and attractive space. For giving us invaluable help in achieving the goals of the first stage of our fundraising campaign, we are enormously grateful to the members of the Campaign Committee: Judge William Birtles, Professor Archie Brown, Sir Bryan Cartledge, Lady Ellen Dahrendorf, Mr Geoffrey Elliott, Mr David Hoffman, Dr Tina Jennings, Ms Bridget Kendall, Mr John Lloyd, Mr Paul Newman, Dr Julie Newton, Mr Julian Simmonds, Professor Alfred Stepan, and Dr Tiffany Troxel. As we discussed at our meeting in February, we shall now concentrate on moving forward with the second stage of the campaign which focuses on raising funds for new Research Fellowships to strengthen our work on cultural studies and deepen our coverage of Ukraine, the Caucasus and Central Asia.

Gratitude is also due to the following donors of books to the RESC library collection: Professor Archie Brown, Dr Paul Chaisty, Dr Alexey Gromyko, Ms Nadiya Kravets, the Slavic Research Center (Hokkaido University) and the European Humanities University of Lithuania.

The Centre's academic programme has been as full and busy as ever (details of seminars and talks are listed at the end of this section). The Monday seminar has continued to provide a focal point for the RESC and wider REES community. In Michaelmas term, Paul Chaisty, Julie Newton and Alex Pravda convened a series on the politics, and especially the foreign policies, of Russia under the Putin/Medvedev tandem. In Hilary term, Carol Leonard and Judith Pallot organised wide-ranging eight sessions on society and economy in post-communist countries. Dr Leonard, together with Antoni Chawluk (Mansfield), Chris Davis (Wolfson) and Linda Yueh (St Edmund Hall), organised the Economics of Transition seminar series at the College. The Trinity Monday seminar, convened by Robert Service and Julia Mannherz (Oriol), provided a rich variety of historical perspectives on 'Russia in international relations'. In addition to the core Monday series, we had the benefit in Trinity term of the Max Hayward seminar on culture. This year's holder of the Max Hayward Research Fellowship, Stephanie Solywoda, organised, with the help of Visiting Fellow Rosamund Bartlett, a series on the theme of 'Understanding the self: subjectivity and Russian thought in Late Imperial and Soviet Russia'. It was gratifying to see that the audience for this seminar, as well as for the Trinity Monday series, regularly included a larger number of students and colleagues from literary and cultural studies, leavening the lump of historians and social scientists.

A similar widening of our inter-disciplinary horizons was also evident in the rich menu of special talks, workshops and conferences which the RESC community enjoyed in the course of the year. In October, Professor Stephen Wheatcroft (University of Melbourne) spoke on 'Stalin's Terror in perspective' and Professor Mikhail Ilyin led a discussion on current political developments in Russia. In November, Alfred Kokh gave us the benefit of an insider's view in his lecture on 'Russia: oligarchs, assertiveness and international misconceptions'. In December the Centre hosted a CEELBAS conference, organised by Dr Leonard, on 'Science and Innovation Policy in the CIS'. March was particularly busy: Anders Aslund (Peterson Institute), an Antonian and leading authority on post-Communist economies, gave a talk on 'How Ukraine became a market economy and democracy'; Jenik Radon (Columbia University) spoke to us about 'Problems of trans-border pipelines'; two of our Visiting Fellows, Kyohei Norimatsu and Junna Hiramatsu organised a conference entitled 'Cultural Creation of "Russian Reality"'; and Charlie Walker, one of our post-doctoral Fellows, organised a CEELBAS conference on 'Youth and social change across borders: emerging identities and divisions in Eastern and Western Europe'. In May, Dr Stephen Fortescue (University of New South Wales) led a discussion on the Russian policy-making process, while Professor Robert Hillenbrand (University of Edinburgh) gave the second Paul Bergne Memorial Lecture (sponsored jointly by RESC and The Oxford Society for the Caspian and Central Asia) entitled '"Speak not of Persian brick work but of Persian brick magic": the architecture of 12th-century Turkmenistan.' Finally, in June, our post-doctoral Fellow, Robert Pyrah, assembled an impressive international list of speakers for a conference on 'Legacies and prospects: Poland 1989: Twenty Years On.'

### **The RESC Monday Seminar 2008/9**

*Michaelmas Term 2008*

#### **Russia under Putin/Medvedev: foreign policy and politics**

Convenors: Paul Chaisty, Julie Newton & Alex Pravda

Neil MacFarlane (St Anne's): *The crisis in Georgia*; Mikhail Troitsky (MGIMO, Moscow): *Russia's relations with the US: towards a new era?*; Dov Lynch (OSCE, Vienna): *Russia and the OSCE: the contours of European security*; Bobo Lo (Centre for European Reform): *Great Power aspirations: Russia, China and North-East Asia*; James Sherr (Royal Institute of International Affairs): *Ukraine and*

*Russia after Bucharest and Georgia*; Thomas Gomart (IFRI, Paris): *Russian civil-military relations: from Putin to Medvedev*; John Kampfner (Index on Censorship): *Russia today – authoritarian capitalism or liberal democracy?*; Dmitri Trenin (Carnegie Moscow Center): *Foreign policy-making and thinking in Russia today*

*Hilary Term 2009*

### **Society and economy of post-communist countries (CEE/CIS)**

Convenors: Carol Scott Leonard & Judith Pallot (Christ Church)

Judith Pallot (Christ Church): *Remembering the past to secure the future: patriotic discourses in Russia's penal peripheries*; Galina Myazhevich (RAI): *Moderating the extreme: the role of Vladimir Pozner's Vremena in mediating xenophobia in Russia*; Anna Badyina (UN Economic Commission for Europe): *Informal settlements in Russia and Eastern Europe: challenges and policy responses*; David Stuckler (Christ Church): *Transition policies and the post-communist mortality crisis*; Craig Young (Manchester Metropolitan) & Duncan Light (Liverpool Hope): *Media representations of post-accession migrants in the UK and Romanian press*; Cameron Ross (Dundee): *Federalism and local politics in Russia*; Marina Khmel'nitskaya (Wolfson): *Ideas in policy-making: the case of Russian housing reform during the 1990s*; Tina Jennings (St Antony's): *Big business in Russia under Putin and Medvedev*

*Trinity Term 2009*

### **Russia in international relations**

Convenors: Julia Mannherz (Oriol) & Robert Service

Dominic Lieven (LSE): *War and Peace, the reality: how Russia defeated Napoleon, 1807-14*; Philip Bullock (Wadham): *Morbid curiosity and colossal credulity: Rosa Newmarch and Russophile propaganda in Britain, 1895-1917*; Julia Mannherz (Oriol): *International relations in the spirit world*; Timothy Johnston (St Peter's): *International relations in the word-of-mouth network: rumours about the wartime Grand Alliance*; Maria Rubins (UCL-SSEES): *The Russian diaspora in the cultural and political context of inter-war France*; Andy Byford (Wolfson): *Russia in international relations: the case of Russian-speakers in the UK today*; Daniel Beer (Royal Holloway, London): *Russian liberals: unwitting architects of the GULAG*; Robert Service: *Russia and 'the West': the geopolitics of revolutionary expansionism*

### **Other RESC seminars 2008/9**

*Michaelmas 2008*

### **Economics of transition**

Convenors: Carol Scott Leonard, Antoni Chawluk (Mansfield), Chris Davis (Wolfson), Linda Yueh (St Edmund Hall)

Simon Commander (EBRD) with Jan Svejnar (CEPR): *Do institutions, ownership, exporting and competition explain firm performance?*; Laixiang Sun (SOAS): *Challenging, complementing or assuming 'the mandate of heaven'? Political distrust and the rise of self-governing social organizations in rural China*; Phil Hanson (Royal Institute of International Affairs): *Foreign investment in Russia (and Russian investment abroad)*; Tomasz Mickiewicz (UCL-SSEES): *Property rights, supply of formal and informal finance and business start-up financing in comparative perspective*; Shuang Han (Liaoning): *Re-industrialization in China and Russia in the period of transition*; Sai Ding (Oxford)

& John Knight (St Edmund Hall): *Why has China grown so fast? What production functions and growth accounting cannot explain*; Antoni Chawluk (Mansfield): *Real convergence in the countries of East Central Europe*

Trinity 2009

**Max Hayward Seminar – Understanding the self: subjectivity and Russian thought in Late Imperial and Soviet Russia**

Convenors: Stephanie Solywoda and Rosamund Bartlett

Alexandra Smith (Edinburgh): *Montage, eugenics and Freudian psychoanalysis in Soviet Russia: Sergey Tret'yakov's 1926 play "I Want a Baby" in the context of intellectual trends of the 1920s*; Andrew Louth (Durham): *Human person and the human condition according to Florensky and Bulgakov: a patristic angle*; Helen Rappaport (Oxford): *Challenging orthodoxies on Lenin and the Romanovs: finding new ways of writing history*; Vera Tolz (Manchester) : *Post-colonial scholarship as a 'descendant' of Russian orientology of the early twentieth century*; Rosamund Bartlett (St Antony's): *Tolstoy's spiritual revolution: the excommunication and its repercussions*; Katerina Levidou (Christ Church): *The artist-genius in Petr Suvchinsky's Eurasianist philosophy of history: the case of Igor Stravinsky*; Stephanie Solywoda (St. Antony's): *Unity as a foundation for epistemology: a Russian philosophical perspective on isolating personal experience in an interconnected universe*; Avril Pyman (Durham): *Pavel Florensky: Russian Leonardo? Theologian of the Silver Age? Escapee from Ancient Egypt with a crocodile at his tail? Problems of identity, perception and self-perception*

**Governing Body Fellows**

DR PAUL CHAISTY, University Lecturer in Russian Politics and Faculty Fellow, co-chaired a weekly seminar in Michaelmas Term on international relations in the former Soviet Union, and throughout the academic year taught undergraduate and postgraduate courses on Russian, post-communist and comparative politics. In research, Dr Chaisty completed work on a project entitled *Particularism and Legislative Behaviour in the Russian Federation*. This pilot project, which was funded by the Nuffield Foundation, examined the impact of particularistic economic interests on Russian legislative behaviour. The grant supported a study trip to Moscow in March, which was used to conduct a final round of interviews. This research formed the basis for several talks - Nuffield College, Oxford; the Moscow State Institute of International Relations; the UK Political Science Association, Manchester University – and it was incorporated into a number of publications. These publications included a chapter in E. Meleshkina and G. Mikhaleva (ed.), *Politicheskaya konkurentsia i partii v gosudarstvakh postsovet'skogo prostranstva* (Moscow: INION RAN, 2009) and an article on legislative velocity in Russia, which is currently being considered for publication. Dr Chaisty edited another volume of the Russian-language history and politics journal *Russkii sbornik: issledovaniya po istorii Rossii*, and he continued to work on a manuscript on Russian party politics, which will be published by Pennsylvania State University Press. Finally, Dr. Chaisty participated as a group rapporteur in the Ditchley Conference, *Russia's Future: The Choices for the New President* in June of last year, and he launched the new St. Antony's summer school in International Politics, which will take place in August.

DR CAROL SCOTT LEONARD, University Lecturer in Regional Studies of the Post-Communist States and Faculty Fellow, was engaged in teaching and research on regional aspects of the transition from Communism, with a focus on Agrarian Reform, Science and Technology in Transition, and regional economic growth. She also taught undergraduate courses, for the Department of Economics and the Department of Geography. During the year 2008-2009, she presented several papers. For the CEELBAS Workshop she organized at the College in December, 'Science and Innovation Policy in the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)', she presented a paper co-authored with Paul Domjan, on 'Science and Technology in Kazakhstan'. In November she presented a paper 'Emancipation of the Serfs and Russia's Economic Institutions' at the AAASS Congress in Philadelphia. Her paper on 'Agricultural Productivity Growth in Russia, 1861-1913: From Inertia to Ferment,' presented at the Final Conference of the Research Training Network, "Unifying the European Experience: Historical Lessons of Pan-European Development" in Krakow in September, will be published in a volume on '*Agricultural production and productivity in Europe*' (forthcoming, Brepols). A collection of articles she organized in honour of Daniel Field (1938-2006) is due to be published, along with her introduction to the collection, in the first issue of *The Russian Review* in 2010.

She continued to serve as a consultant for the doctoral studies programme in Innovation Management at the Eurasian National University in Astana, Kazakhstan, and taught two graduate courses at the University of St Petersburg in March 2009 – which she will do again in 2010. Dr Leonard continued her work on the book, "Russian Agrarian Reform: The Road from Serfdom" (forthcoming in 2009, Cambridge University Press). She has a contract for her book on *Privatization and Transition in Russia* (with David Pitt-Watson) (Routledge, 2010). Her articles include (with Brigitte Granville) "Do Informal Institutions Matter for Technological Change in Russia? The Impact of Communist Norms and Conventions, 1998-2004" forthcoming in *World Development*, and (with Jonas Ljungberg), 'The Standard of Living in nineteenth-century Europe' (forthcoming). *Economic History of Modern Europe*, Cambridge: Cambridge University Press, vol 2, ch. 5.

DR ALEX PRAVDA, Souede Salameno Fellow and University Lecturer in Russian and East European Politics succeeded Robert Service as Centre Director. As Bob had done such a good job in seeing through the Library project, all that remained to do on that front was to make sure that the finishing 'snagging' touches were taken care of. Dr Pravda co-convened the Michaelmas term Monday seminar. In addition to his usual teaching for the IR MPhil and the REES MPhil and MSc, he continued to be director of admissions for REES. These programmes continue to flourish, producing record numbers of applications and admissions. Dr Pravda continued to contribute to the Russia and CIS programme at the Royal Institute of International Affairs (Chatham House) as an Associate Fellow. In June last year he chaired the Ditchley conference 'Russia's Future: the Choices for the New President. In November he gave the annual Oxford lecture at the University of Oslo – the title was 'Russia's imperial dilemma: between self-insulation and global competitiveness' – and presented a seminar paper at the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, 'Russia: a revisionist power?'. In March he contributed oral and written evidence to the House of Commons inquiry 'Russia: a new confrontation?'. In the following month he participated in a panel on 'Losing Russia?' at the Oxford Literary Festival and paid a research visit to Moscow.

PROFESSOR ROBERT SERVICE, Professor of Russian History, spent the academic year through to March 2009 putting the ice axe into *Trotsky: A Biography*. The book was denounced in online publications of the Fourth International even before fingers were put to keyboard. He has ceased counting the times when people have said: 'You must be so pleased you're not doing Stalin any longer...I've always had a soft spot for Trotsky.' Hmmm - or 'Gmmm', as Lenin would have said.

He worked too on new editions of his small textbook on *The Russian Revolution, 1900-1927* and his Penguin *History of Modern Russia*. Both revisions occupied much swearing time. It got to the point

that the author had no good word to say about fresh contributions to our understanding of 1917. He must, though, record a debt to Paul Chaisty for his bibliography on Putinoidal Russia for the updating of the Penguin volume. *The Russian Revolution* was published in May; *A History of Modern Russia* will be out in October 2009.

Back to the Library: as the work neared completion in summer 2008 Centre members added fresh words like 'snagging' and 'on-costs' to their vocabulary. The outcome is superb: we now have a set of rooms to be proud of.

Professor Service taught a large, lively bunch of master's and undergraduate students. He convened the Visiting Parliamentary Fellowship seminar series in Hilary Term with David Marquand, John Horam MP and Gisela Stuart MP. In Trinity Term he convened the history series for the Russian Centre with Julia Mannherz (in which both of them gave talks). He served on the History Faculty Research Committee, the Oxford Historical Monographs Editorial Committee, the Management Committee of Russian and East European Studies and the Modern History Standing Committee of the British Academy. He did the odd bit of journalism and broadcasting.

He is now working on a book about Russia and the West in 1917-1921.

### **Emeritus Fellows**

PROFESSOR ARCHIE BROWN published *The Rise and Fall of Communism*. Apart from separate British, American and Canadian editions, the book has been translated into German and Dutch. It was launched in London at the LSE and in Oxford at St Antony's, with the Warden presiding. Archie Brown took part in various literary festivals, talking about the fall of Communism, and in the BBC World Service discussion programme, The Forum, presented by Honorary Fellow Bridget Kendall. Archie Brown's article, 'Reading Russia: Forms without Substance' was published in the *Journal of Democracy*, and he has a chapter in *The Cambridge History of the Cold War*. He spoke also in Professor Anne Deighton's seminar series on the Cold War.

Professor Brown presented a paper and took part in a roundtable at the annual American Association for Slavic and East European Studies conference in Philadelphia in November 2008. In the same month he gave two lectures at the University of Oklahoma at Norman. In March 2009 he lectured at Peking University and at the Central Party School in China. He was a plenary session speaker on '1989 in the Soviet Union' at the BASEES conference in Cambridge later the same month.

PROFESSOR MICHAEL KASER continued as Honorary Professor at Birmingham University's European Research Institute, as Associate Fellow of Templeton College, Oxford, and as an Associate of the Centre for Euro-Asian Studies of Reading University. A student whose thesis he supervised received her DPhil., and he provided supervision for another. He continued on the committees of the Europaeum, of the Pluscarden Programme, of SEESOX and of the Oxford Intelligence Group and as Hon. Treasurer of the Oxford Energy Policy Club, which meets biannually in College. He was on the committee arranging the St Antony's Day Service, held annually in College. He continued on the Advisory Board of *The Annual Register* and on the Editorial Boards of *The Slavonic and East European Review* and of *Central Asian Survey*, participating in their London meetings. He revised and updated a paper originally published in French in 1966, 'The Debate on the Law of Value in the USSR, 1941-53' for Vincent Burnett and Joachim Zwynert (eds), *Economics in Russia: Studies in Intellectual History* (Ashgate, Aldershot), and contributed entries on EBRD and OSCE to *The Annual Register: A Record of World Events 2008* (Keesing's Worldwide, Bethesda Md).

DR HAROLD SHUKMAN continued as chairman of the editorial board of East European Jewish Affairs. With Felix Patrikeeff he published (in Russian) "Civil War, Foreign Intervention: Russian Society and the Role of Certain Personalities: a British View", in (Eds), V.A. Zolotaryov and S.V. Listikov, *Voyna i obshchestvo nakanune Pervoy Mirovoy Voyny* (War and Society on the Eve of the First World War), Vol. I, Nauka, Moscow, 2008. He also wrote an entry for the Dictionary of National Biography on George Bolsover, the long-time Director of the School of Slavonic Studies

### Research Fellows

DR JUNNA HIRAMATSU started at the RESC in August 2008. Her current interest lies in researching problems of the representational system in Stalinist culture. In Hilary Term, she presented a paper entitled "Logic of Soviet Literature under Stalin: the Case of *Virgin Soil Uplifted* (1932-1960)" in the Russian Graduate Seminar. She also organized a conference on "Cultural Creation of Russian Reality" in collaboration with St Antony's colleagues Kyohei Norimatsu and Katharina Uhl, at which she presented a paper on "Mimetic Representation and Violence in Stalinist Culture: The Case of M. Sholokhov". She published an article entitled "Transmitted Irony: Between Stalinist Language and Double-dealing" (in Japanese) in the Japanese literary magazine *Eureka*, 41:1, 2009, and contributed to *Antropologicheskii forum*, 10, 2009.

DR ROBERT PYRAH has promoted Polish Studies at St. Antony's with the help of Profs. Garton Ash and Norman Davies, who gave keynotes at the conference 'Poland 1989, 20 Years On: Legacies and Prospects' in June 2009. This well-attended event, which Robert co-organised and chaired, received support from CEELBAS, the Polish embassy, the MB Grabowski Foundation, and RESC. Also in June, Robert was invited to a Council of Europe conference in Krakow, where he joined a team of policymakers to formulate new cultural policy guidelines for the Council in East-Central Europe. The core course on the culture of Russia and Eastern Europe for Oxford Masters' Students, which he jointly remodelled and taught, has settled in and is achieving good notices, with new topics including pan-regional cinema and historical memory. Meanwhile research continued towards his contracted monograph on the 20<sup>th</sup> Century cultural history of L'viv (Ukraine), with two extended fieldwork visits, and fruit in the form of conference presentations. These included the paper '(Back) Towards a Hyphenated Identity? Recent Academic and Cultural Discourses on L'viv's "Multicultural" Past', publication pending, with the full monograph due next year. Finally, he announced the publication of a co-edited volume in the Oxford *Legenda* series presenting the most innovative research from his Central European Seminar.

DR STEPHANIE SOLYWODA greatly enjoyed her year at RESC as the Max Hayward Research Fellow. She was able to extend her doctoral research by examining aesthetics in Russian religious philosophy in order to publish her doctoral thesis *Internal Visions External Changes: Russian Religious Philosophy, 1905-1940* as a monograph. In Michaelmas term she enjoyed teaching the M.Phil in Russian and Eastern European Studies with Robert Service. She has also had the pleasure of organizing and co-convening the Max Hayward seminar series *Understanding the Self: Identity and Subjectivity in Late Imperial and Early Soviet Thought* for the college. Dr Solywoda looks forward to concluding her year at St. Antony's by attending the Vekhi Centenary Conference in Bristol, and giving a guest lecture in Durham.

DR CHARLIE WALKER is a CEELBAS Postdoctoral Research Fellow. His current research addresses transformations of class and gender identities amongst young people in Eastern Europe, focusing on youth transitions from vocational education in Russia and Lithuania. In early 2009 he conducted fieldwork in Lithuania, where he was based at Vilnius University.

In 2009 Dr Walker has articles appearing in the *Journal of Youth Studies* and *Europe-Asia Studies* and a chapter in an edited volume entitled *Russian Education and Society* (Symposium Books). A monograph – provisionally entitled *Learning to Labour in post-Soviet Russia* – will be published by Routledge-Curzon later in the year.

He presented papers at a conference organised by CEELBAS Postdoctoral Fellows at St Antony's in December 2008 and the annual conference of the Aleksanteri Institute, University of Helsinki, in the same month. Dr Walker organised an international conference entitled 'Youth and social change across borders: emerging identities and divisions in Eastern and Western Europe', which took place at St Antony's in March 2009. He is currently editing a special edition of the *Journal of Youth Studies*, which will include a number of papers from the conference.

Dr Walker has taken a permanent post as Lecturer in Sociology at the University of Southampton.

#### **Visiting Fellows and Associate Members**

DR ROSAMUND BARTLETT, RESC Visiting Fellow, was appointed External Examiner for the MA and Diploma in Cultural Management at the Moscow School of Social and Economic Sciences. This has been chiefly a year of research, but her Introduction to the new translation of Turgenev's *Fathers and Sons* for Penguin, and Foreword to *The Mariinsky Theatre: A Chronology of Opera Performances, 1860-1917* (Edwin Mellen Press) are both forthcoming. Her new translations of a selection of Chekhov's 1886 stories were published in 2008 by Hesperus Press (*The Exclamation Mark*), and she launched a campaign to support the Chekhov House-Museum in Yalta, whose fabric has suffered from the cessation of state support and deteriorating Russian-Ukrainian relations. She continues as Chair of the Proceedings Committee of the Royal Musical Association, and as convenor of the BASEES Russian and East European Music Study Group, whose conference on "Russia's Musical Revolutionaries" was held at the Music Faculty in 2008. She gave a paper on Tolstoy's excommunication to the Max Hayward Seminar in Trinity Term, which she helped to convene, and found three other Slavist cellists to perform a short programme of Russian music at the re-opening of the Russian Centre library.

Dr TINA JENNINGS continued to work on the forthcoming book of her DPhil dissertation *Big Business and the State in Putin's Russia (2000-2008): Towards a New 'State Corporatism'*, which will be published in 2010. In connection with this, she undertook a number of research trips to Moscow and Paris to interview Russian officials and to collect material. As part of the RESC Hilary Term Monday seminar series entitled Society and Economy of Post-Communist Countries (CEE/CIS), she gave a talk on 'Big Business in Russia under Putin and Medvedev' at St Antony's. Dr Jennings was involved in marking REES MSc and MPhil theses, and continued to be an active member of the RESC Campaign Committee. In the coming academic year, she is helping to organise (with Dr Paul Chaisty) the Hilary Monday seminar series, which will focus on business and politics across Russia and the former USSR.

DR JULIE NEWTON, Associate Professor at the American University of Paris (AUP), supervised the writing of several REES MSc theses at Oxford. She also co-taught a course at AUP analysing the development of Russia and China since 1989 as authoritarian great powers. This course was taught at AUP to undergraduates and graduates (the latter being from AUP-Institut Catholique's graduate programme in 'International Affairs, Conflict Resolution and Civil Society Development', founded by French Foreign Minister Bernard Kouchner). In Michaelmas term, she co-chaired the RESC Monday

seminar with Alex Pravda and Paul Chaisty. Regarding publications, Julie Newton is co-editor with William Tompson of *Institutions, Ideas, and Leadership in Post-Soviet Russia*, Palgrave-Macmillan, 2010, to which she contributed the Introduction and a chapter entitled 'Shortcut to Greatness: Russia in Pursuit of Multipolarity'. She contributed an article to *Russkii Sbornik: Issledovanie po Istorii Rossii*, the English-language title of which is 'Shortcut to Great Power: France and Russia in Pursuit of Multipolarity'. She also published a review of Andrei Grachev, *Gorbachev's Gamble: Soviet Foreign Policy and the End of the Cold War* (Polity Press) in the April 2009 issue of *The Russian Review*. Dr Newton is an active member of the RESC Campaign Committee and the College's Financial Advisory Board.

DR KYOHEI NORIMATSU was at the RESC for the academic year 2008-2009. During his time at RESC he was supported by the Slavic Research Center, Hokkaido University, Japan, through the international training programme managed by the Japanese Society for the Promotion of Science. Throughout the year he was engaged in the development of his research on the representation of the Caucasus in nineteenth-century Russian literature, and presented several papers on the subject, including 'The Dispute over "Russian Orientalism" in the Mirror of Bestuzhev-Marlinsky's *Ammalatsbek*' (at the Oxford conference in March on 'Cultural Creation of "Russian Reality"'), and "The Limitations of Rousseauistic Dichotomy: Elena Gan's Caucasian Tales" (at the annual conference in March of the British Association for Slavonic and East European Studies). He also organized, with fellow Antonians Junna Hiramatsu and Katharina Uhl, an international conference on 'Cultural Creation of "Russian Reality"'. This took place at the College in March and involved speakers from the UK, France, Germany, Switzerland, and Russia. He will continue as a RESC Visiting Fellow for the first two terms of the coming academic year.

DR SHAMIL MIDKHATOVICH YENIKEYEFF is a Research Fellow at the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIES) and a Senior Associate Member at the Russian and Eurasian Studies Centre, St Antony's College, University of Oxford. In 2009 he continued to run "The Geopolitics of Energy" lecture series under the joint auspices of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies and St Antony's. His publications included *Kazakhstan's Gas: Export Markets and Export Routes* (OIES) and a chapter on Kazakhstan in Simon Pirani (ed.), *Russian and CIS Gas Markets and Their Impact on Europe*, published by Oxford University Press. He also co-authored with Nadia Campaner, *The Kashagan Field: a Test Case for Kazakhstan's Governance of its Oil and Gas Sector*, published by the French Institute of International Relations (IFRI). Dr Yenikeeff's publications also appeared in *Oil and Gas Journal*, *Middle Eastern Economic Survey*, *Geopolitics of Energy*, *Transitions Online*, *Economía Exterior*, *Cuadernos de Energía*, *European Energy Review*, and *EIU*. His forthcoming book, *The Battle for Russian Oil: Corporations, Regions, and the State*, is due to be published by Oxford University Press in the fall of 2009.

## CROSS-CENTRE AND OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES AND FELLOWSHIPS

### **The Visiting Parliamentary Fellowship**

The theme for this year's Visiting Parliamentary Fellowship seminar series, "Democracy: Who Wants It?" was established by the two Visiting Fellows, Mr John Horam MP and Ms Gisela Stuart MP, together with Dr Alex Pravda, Prof. David Marquand and Prof. Margaret Macmillan in Trinity Term 2008.

Dr Pravda handed over the baton to Prof. Robert Service with the change of directorship in the Russian Centre and a programme of speakers was devised to cover the question of democracy in several regions and large countries of the world. This was a lively process, and the local organisers owe a debt of gratitude to our two parliamentarians (or indeed three, if we include David Marquand as a former MP himself) for their imaginative ideas and their personal interventions to secure acceptance from invitees. Behind the scenes, as ever, the founding Fellow of the series, Patrick Cormack MP was unfailing helpful; and the neophyte co-convenor Robert Service would like to express his gratitude to everyone just mentioned.

Their commitment of the Visiting Fellows to making the seminar series a success was much appreciated. Each of them was absent on only one occasion, surely a College record, and their contributions at the Monday sessions were consistently impressive.

John Horam has had a kaleidoscopic careers in British politics, having entered the House as a Labour MP for Orpington and moved to the SDP before becoming a Conservative minister. His interest in both economics and international relations made him an outstanding Visiting Parliamentary Fellow. Neither John Horam nor Gisela Stuart has felt that party affiliation should inhibit free political expression. Gisela Stuart, MP for Edgbaston, became Europe minister before becoming disenchanted with the negotiations on EU constitutional reform. Her abiding interest in foreign policy made her too an exceptional Visiting Parliamentary Fellow.

The series started with a sparkling evening which brought together Douglas Hurd, Margaret Macmillan and Adam Roberts. All three emphasised the historical difficulties of introducing democracy, especially Western forms of democracy, to other parts of the world in the twentieth century. The session on China was equally bracing. George Walden learned Chinese before going out to the country in the British diplomatic corps during the Cultural Revolution. Together with Rana Mitter and Steve Tsang, the panel gave reasons for caution about the prospects for democratisation although it was suggested that there were might be glimmerings of light in the gloom at least in the decades ahead.

Russia was the next session on an evening of snow, and Dr Vladimir Buldakov did not hesitate to note the British tendency to treat such weather as a disaster. His viewpoint on Russian democracy since 1991 was uniformly depressing. Robert Skidelsky and, still more so, David Owen, offered a less negative verdict. On the EU we had two in-house speakers, David Stuart and Gisela Stuart, as well as David Curry MP. All to different degrees expressed a worry about the 'democratic deficit' and unexpectedly agreed with each other more than they disagreed.

Akbar Zaidi. The talks were excellent and the evening was enriched by the presence of so many Pakistanis from both Oxford and London. Something similar occurred at the Turkish session where the speakers were Christopher Brewin, Ihsan Daği and Jan Truszczyński from the European Commission. In-house contributions were to the fore again on southern Africa with the presence of David Johnson and Terence Range reinforced by Peter Lawrence. On Pakistan, Turkey and southern Africa a set of measured judgements was offered; in all three cases the emphasis was on the need for local pathways to be found towards wider democracy.

The final session was aimed at summarising the arguments. John Dunn gave an exposition of the difficulties of achieving any sort of democracy in modern conditions. John Horam provided a conspectus based upon regions of the world he knows best. Constanza Stelzenmüller put forward ideas for incremental improvement, drawing on her work in the German Marshall Fund of the US. The entire seminar series gave pause for thought about the diverse forms and scales of democracy in today's world and about the dangers of attempts to export democratic imperative through airborne lethal force.

**Robert Service**

### **The Pluscarden Programme for the Study of Global Terrorism and Intelligence**

The Programme has just completed its fifth year of activities at St Antony's. Dr Steve Tsang has continued as Director, and all members of the Advisory Committee have continued to serve with the exception of Dr Roy Giles who stepped down for personal reasons in the course of the year. For his great contributions over the years, the Programme is very grateful.

In Michaelmas Term Rear Admiral Chris Parry (government adviser and formerly MOD) gave a seminar on 'Dealing with the unknown unknowns: beyond countering global terrorism', which aroused so much interest that he was invited to give a further seminar in Hilary Term on the subject of 'Future shock or future proof? What do we know and what don't we know?'. Also in Michaelmas Term the Pluscarden Programme joined with the Middle East Centre and Asian Studies Centre to sponsor a seminar by Professor Bruce Hoffman (Georgetown) on the topic of 'Parallel Universe: Pakistan, al Qaeda, the Taliban and the War on Terrorism' which was very well attended.

Hilary Term saw a very full schedule of activities. In addition to the second seminar by Rear Admiral Chris Parry there were two further seminars: Dr Jack Caravelli (Pluscarden Programme and former US Deputy Assistant Secretary for Energy) spoke on 'Iran: a memo to President Obama', and Robert Hannigan (Security Adviser to the Prime Minister) spoke on 'Co-ordinating responses to the threats of transnational terrorism'. There was also a successful half-day workshop on 'Conflict economics, underdevelopment and counter-terrorism', in which Professor Paul Collier (St Antony's & Centre for the Study of African Economics) spoke on 'Framework for understanding conflict economics, underdevelopment and terrorism' with the Rt. Hon. Clare Short MP acting as discussant, Dr Anke Hoeffler (CSAE, Oxford) spoke on 'Lack of security and underdevelopment: how to break the vicious circle?' with Professor David Keen (LSE) as discussant, and Dr Zoe Marriage (SOAS) spoke on 'Counter-terrorism as driver behind development aid: the wrong paradigm?' with Rear Admiral Richard Cobbold (Pluscarden Programme) as discussant. The schedule for the workshop also included a discussion led by Professor David Anderson (St Cross) on 'Failure of states: what drives them? What can be done to arrest state failure?', which replaced the talk on that subject which had to be cancelled owing to illness of the speaker Professor Kristian Skrede Gleditsch (University of Essex). The following acted as chairs of sessions: Dr Steve Tsang, Dr Raufu Mustapha (St Antony's), Alex Duncan (African Studies Centre & The Policy Practice) and Dr Jennifer Castle (Nuffield).

The Pluscarden Programme annual conference convened by Dr Steve Tsang was held just after the end of Hilary Term on the subject of 'Countering home-grown terrorism'. On day one Sheikh Musa Abubaker Admani (London Metropolitan University) spoke on 'The preaching and understanding of Islam', Sara Thornton (Thames Valley Police) on 'Policing, counter-terrorism tactics and government policies', Professor Bruce Hoffman (Georgetown) on 'The external links, leadership and support network', Dr Emile Nakhleh (CIA, retired) on 'Engaging with the Islamic world at home and abroad in countering home-grown terrorism', and Major General (retired) Tim Cross (Staff College) on 'Can adopting the "comprehensive approach" in Afghanistan and elsewhere help to combat home-grown terrorism?'. On day two Charles Allen (CIA) spoke on 'Home-grown terrorism in the USA: why is it a lesser threat than in Europe?', Orla Lynch (St Andrews) on 'Home-grown terrorists: who are they and what drives them?', Professor Tariq Ramadan (St Antony's) on 'Identity, loyalty and other social factors', and a very senior figure from the government on 'Countering home-grown terrorism in the

UK: how to strike the right balance?'. The following participants acted as discussants: Jonathan Yahya Birt (City Circle), Dr Peter Neumann (King's College London), Matthew Jukes (South Yorkshire Police), Dr Alia Brahim (Leverhulme CCW Programme, Oxford), Dr Tobias Feakin (RUSI), Jonathan Paris (King's College London), Dr Jeroen Gunning (Aberystwyth), Siddik Bakir (Political Assistant of Baroness Nicholson MEP) and Judge William Birtles (Pluscarden Programme). The sessions were chaired by: Dr Steve Tsang, Rear Admiral Richard Cobbold (Pluscarden Programme), Dr Robert Johnson (History Faculty, Oxford), Dr Michael Willis (St Antony's/Pluscarden Programme), Dr Jack Caravelli (Pluscarden Programme), Dr Roy Giles (St Antony's), Dr Tobias Feakin, Dr Jeevan Deol (History Faculty, Oxford) and Sir Colin McColl (Pluscarden Programme).

Two seminars were organised for Trinity Term. In the first Dr George Joffe (Cambridge) spoke on 'Terrorist and security threats in North Africa' with Dr Michael Willis acting as discussant. The second was given by Margaret Gilmore (RUSI) who spoke on 'Confronting the challenges of dissident Republicans: security and intelligence in Northern Ireland'.

The following electronic publications have been posted on the Programme's website: pre-publication chapter in 'Combating Transnational Terrorism: Searching for a New Paradigm', by Steve Tsang, forthcoming by Praeger Security International, 2009; 'Conflict Economics, Underdevelopment and Counter-Terrorism': report by Andrea Baumann (Lincoln College, Oxford) on the half-day workshop; papers produced for the annual conference: Charles Allen (CIA) 'Home-grown terrorism in the USA: why is it a lesser threat than in Europe?'; Professor Bruce Hoffman (Georgetown) 'The external links, leadership and support network'; and Dr Emile Nakhleh (CIA, retired) 'Engaging with the Islamic world at home and abroad in countering home-grown terrorism'.

**Geopolitics of Energy Lecture Series**

In Hilary 2009 the Geopolitics of Energy Lecture Series continued under the auspices of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies and St. Antony's College. The series, organized by Dr. Shamil Midkhatovich Yenikayeff of the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies (OIES) and St Antony's College, focused on the role played by geopolitics in the energy sector.

The purpose of the seminar series is to inform participants about recent and future geopolitical and economic developments and their potential impact on international energy markets. The key aim of the seminar is to promote an in-depth understanding of driving forces and processes in global energy markets with a focus on domestic and international political actions, economic policies and corporate strategies. The series seeks to present a balanced approach to the geopolitics of energy with most of the lectures given by high-level guest speakers with special expertise and experience in the energy field.

The first seminar of 2009 was given by Mr Michael Stoppard of Cambridge Energy Research Associates and focused on the Geopolitics of Liquefied Natural Gas and its impact on Europe's pipeline dependence. Mr Simon Pirani of OIES gave the second lecture, examining the latest Russo-Ukrainian 'gas war', and its consequences. Mr Christopher Allsopp CBE, Director of OIES focused on the financial crisis, world recession and energy. A Senior Advisor to the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum of Venezuela, Dr Juan Carlos Boué, presented a view on resource nationalism in Latin America. Dr Bassam Fattouh of OIES examined the key challenges facing OPEC during the period of volatile oil prices. Professor Jenik Radon of Columbia University presented a view on the main problems of Transborder pipelines: Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan, Baku-Tbilisi-Erzurum, Trans-Caspian and Nabucco.

During Trinity 2009, a special lecture on Global Energy Governance was given by Ambassador Richard H. Jones, Deputy Executive Director of the International Energy Agency (IEA).

The seminar is designed as an ongoing event with lectures taking place every Wednesday (starting at 5 pm) during term time. It is held at the Nissan Lecture Theatre, St Antony's College. The seminar has already attracted a large number of participants, made up of Oxford students and academics, as well as professionals from the energy sector and financial institutions in the City of London

**Professor Margaret MacMillan, Warden and Professor of International History**

Professor MacMillan taught in one of the core courses for the MPhil in International Relations in Hilary Term. She gave a number of guest lectures, at the University of Ottawa, Carleton University, Queen Mary's College at the University of London, the Nixon Presidential Library, the British Seminar at the University of Texas in Austin, the University of Ulster, and the Graduate Institute of International Studies in Geneva. She also spoke at the following conferences: on Anglo-Greek Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Athens, on Anglo-Canadian relations at Churchill College, Cambridge, and on the centenary of the Department of Foreign Affairs in Ottawa. She published several book reviews and newspaper articles. The revised British edition of her book *The Uses and Abuses of History* came out in the spring of 2009 and her biography *Stephen Leacock* also came out in Canada.