

RISING POWERS STUDY GROUP

Development Studies Association London, 31 October-1 November 2014

"The Rising Powers and Development Post-2015"

This workshop will act as the launch event for the DSA's Rising Powers Study Group. A related DSA Annual Conference session on 1 November will take place on the same theme, with Sunil Suri (Saferworld), Thomas Fues (DIE) and Marco Vieira (Birmingham University) as speakers. The workshop will be held at the Open University London Centre (Camden) on Friday 31st October, 2-6pm (tbc).

The workshop will be free of charge, although places must be booked in advance, with preference given to DSA members. Graduate students are very welcome. A reception will be held at the end of the workshop.

Both the workshop and the panel will focus on the issue of how the 'rising powers' (broadly conceived) have been engaging with the post-2015 development agenda: domestically, in regional institutions and platforms, and within multilateral organisations. As well as, and beyond the UN-led MDG process, to what extent and how do different 'rising powers' envision the post-2015 development agenda, and their role within emerging international development norms, institutions and governance agendas? We welcome contributions on non-state as well as state actors, and are interested in papers that have new data on how these processes and debates are unfolding in particular contexts.

Keynote

'From Geopolitics to Knowledge Politics: The Rising Powers and the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation'
Alex Shankland (IDS) and Jennifer Constantine (IDS)

Speakers

Thomas Muhr (University of Bristol) 'The return of socialist development in the ALBA-TCP space: implications for the post-2015 development agenda'

Sarah Hardus (University of Amsterdam) 'China's indirect challenge to the current aid regime: the post-2015 agenda in the light of DAC policies in response to 'China in Africa"

Balazs Szent-Ivanyi (University of Aston) 'Uninterested and Uncommitted: Hungary and the post-2015 agenda'

Inken Wiese (University of Konstanz) 'The open quest for identity: Qatar as a development actor'

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