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IPEG Book Prize

As I mentioned in my first newsletter as convenor, we are in the process of trying to raise the profile of IPEG both within BISA and beyond. An exciting initiative in this regard is the IPEG Book Prize Chaired by Christopher May (Lancaster). The Prize is to be awarded to the best work published annually in political economy, as nominated and voted for by IPEG members. The Prize will be awarded at the BISA conference, starting in December 2006. Chris has made some considerable progress since the June newsletter.

First, we now have a long-list of books to be considered for the 2004/5 prize. Thanks to those of you who emailed Chris with your nominations. The long-list is as follows:

- Michael Barnett and Raymond Duvall (eds), *Power in Global Governance* (Cambridge University Press, 2005)
- Jacqueline Best, *The Limits of Transparency: Ambiguity and the History of International Finance* (Cornell University Press, 2005)
- Lorraine Eden and Wendy Dobson (eds) *Governance, Multinationals and Growth* (Edward Elgar, 2005)
- Steve Fraser, *Wall Street: A Cultural History* (Faber and Faber, 2005)
- Peter Gibbon and Stefano Ponte, *Trading Down: Africa, Value Chains, and the Global Economy* (Temple University Press, 2005).
- Clark C. Gibson, Krister Andersson, Elinor Ostrom and Sujai Shivakumar, *The Samaritan's Dilemma: The Political Economy of Development Aid* (Oxford University Press, 2005)
- Stephen Green and Guy S. Liu (eds) *Exit the Dragon? Privatization and State Control in China* (Chatham House Paper) (Blackwell, 2005)
- Per Hammarlund, *Liberal Internationalism and the Decline of the State* (Palgrave, 2005)
- Graham Harrison, *The World Bank and Africa: The Construction of Governance States* (Routledge, 2004)
- David Harvey, *A Brief History of Neoliberalism* (Oxford University Press, 2005)
- Wendy Larner and William Walters *Global Governmentality* (Routledge, 2004).
- Sophie Meunier, *Trading Voices: The European Union in International Commercial Negotiations* (Princeton University Press, 2005)
- Himadeep Muppidi *The Politics of the Global* (University of Minnesota Press, 2004)

- Amrita Narlikar: *The World Trade Organization* (A Very Short Introduction) (Oxford University Press, 2005)
- Robert O'Brien and Marc Williams, *Global Political Economy: Evolution and Dynamics* (Palgrave, 2004)
- Ronen Palan and Angus Cameron, *The Imagined Economies of Globalization* (Sage, 2004)
- G.C. Peden (ed.) *Keynes and his Critics* (Oxford University Press, 2004)
- Nicola Phillips (ed.), *Globalizing International Political Economy* (Palgrave, 2005)
- Tony Porter, *Globalization and Finance* (Polity, 2005).
- William Robinson, *A Theory of Global Capitalism* (John Hopkins University Press, 2004)
- Timothy J. Sinclair, *The New Masters of Capital: American Bond Rating Agencies and the Politics of Creditworthiness* (Cornell University Press, 2005)
- Richard Stubbs, *Rethinking Asia's Economic Miracle* (Routledge 2005)
- Matthew Watson, *Foundations of International Political Economy* (Palgrave, 2005)

Congratulations to all those authors who have been nominated.

Second, we now have a panel of judges who will consider a short-list of four books. In addition to Chris as Chair, the panel is as follows:

- Randall Germain, Carleton University, Canada
- Marieke de Goede, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Leonard Seabrooke, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark
- Diana Tussie, FLACSO, Argentina

Many thanks to the panel members for their support.

Third, we are currently working on the voting procedures so that can move from the long-list to the short-list. The long-list should be appearing on the IPEG website

in the near future, accompanied (hopefully) by a facility through which members can cast their votes electronically. It was our original intention for a vote to take place at the IPEG workshop in June, but an electronic system should allow for many more of you to take part. We will be looking for a 1, 2, 3 vote from all members. More on this in the next newsletter early in 2006.

More IPEG Prizes?

In the last newsletter I outlined some ideas for further IPEG Prizes that came up at our AGM – e.g. an IPEG Thesis Prize, IPEG Essay Award, and IPEG Paper Prize. If you would like to be 'nominated' as Chairperson for any of these initiatives, I ask again for you to get in touch. If I do not hear from any members in the next month or so, I will assume that we will be limiting ourselves to the IPEG Book Prize for the foreseeable future.

IPEG@BISA 2005

I am sure that a good number of you will be attending BISA's 30th Anniversary Conference at the University of St Andrews later this month. Thanks largely to the work of the previous convenor, I am pleased to say that IPEG sponsored panels feature strongly in the conference programme. The details are as follows:

IPEG Panel I: Cultural International Political Economy (1)

Chair: Nicola Philips (Manchester)

Discussant: Matt Davies (Penn State)

- Louise Amoore (Durham) 'Consulting/Calculation/Culture'
- Paul Langley (Northumbria) 'Cultures of Consumer Credit'
- Andreas Antoniadis (Essex) 'Cultures of the Hegemonic? Globalization in Greece and Ireland'
- Matthew Patterson (Ottawa) and Simon Dalby (Carleton) 'Over a Barrel: Cultural Political Economy and "Oil Imperialism"'

IPEG Panel II: Cultural International Political Economy (2)

Chair: Randall Germain (Carleton)

Discussant: Louise Amoore (Durham)

- Matt Davies (Penn State) 'Works, Products and the Division of Labour: Notes for a Cultural and Political Economic Critique'
- Phoebe Moore (Lincoln) 'Globalization of the South Korean Labour Culture: What "Tripartite Relations" Means For Workers'
- Gigi Herbert (York, Toronto) 'A Post-Modern Political Economy: Subjectivity and the Impossibility of Justice in Hayek'

IPEG III: Twenty-First Century Finance (1)

Chair and Discussant: Phil Cerny (Rutgers)

- Timothy Sinclair (Warwick) 'The Intersubjectivity of Global Finance'
- Matthew Watson (Birmingham) 'Self-Constituted Market Subjectivities and the Anatomy of a Financial Scandal: Contextual Reflections on the Enron Affair'
- Duncan Wigan (Sussex) 'Credit Derivatives, the New Goldrush and the Completion of the Markets'
- Anthony Jarvis (La Trobe) 'In the Shadow of Globalization: State Adaptiveness and Global Change'

IPEG IV: Twenty-First Century Finance (2)

Chair and Discussant: Paul Langley (Northumbria)

- Susanne Lutz (Fern University, Germany) 'From Managed to Market Capitalism? German Finance Between Commodification and Regulation'
- Johnna Montgomerie (Sussex) 'The Consumer Debt Bomb: Accident or Policy Prescription'
- David Hudson (UCL) '(How) Can We Say Whether Markets Are Rational? Deconstructing the Efficient Market Hypothesis'

IPEG V: Twenty-First Century Finance (3)

Chair and Discussant: Ronen Palan (Sussex)

- Andrew Baker (Queens) 'Sarbanes Oxley, Corporate Practice and Global Financial Governance: The Changing International Political Economy of Financial Power in the United States and Beyond'
- Richard Woodward (Hull) 'Adam Smith, Moral Economy and Financial Regulation in the City of London'
- Adam Stephenson (Newcastle) 'Islamic Pensions and the Anglo-American Model: Problematizing the Financialized Identity?'

In addition to the IPEG sponsored panels, it is also great to see IPEG members appearing across much of the rest of the BISA programme. So, let us hope for good weather and an enjoyable conference.

IPEG Research Student Convenor

I am pleased to say that Penny Griffin (Bristol) has agreed to act as the first IPEG Research Student Convenor. It is Penny's role to represent the growing number of research students who form such an important group within IPEG. If any research student members have any ideas as to how IPEG could do more for them, please contact Penny (Penny.Griffin@bristol.ac.uk). There is still a little money available in the budget for this year, so ...

IPEG Directory

Thanks largely to the hard work of Stephen Buzdugan at Manchester University, we now have an up-to-date database of members, including contact details and, in many cases, key words to indicate research interests. Stephen and I are currently working on how we will make this database available through our website as the IPEG Directory - a searchable networking tool for those working in IPE and related fields. There

are two issues that I would like members to address. First, could those of you who have not yet done so please email me your key words. The four or five words that best summarise your research interests is all I need.

Second, we need to decide on access to the Directory once it becomes available through the website. Most importantly, will the Directory be password protected and accessible to IPEG members only, or will access be open to all visitors to the website? Given that the Directory includes members' email addresses, it may be that full and open access to all visitors leaves members at the mercy of the spammers. I would, therefore, like to hear your views on this issue. At present, my preference would be that we go for the password protected option in the first instance, but I am aware that this undercuts the potential utility of the Directory.

IPEG Co-Sponsorship

IPEG has a small budget set aside for the co-sponsorship of workshops and events organised by members. In the last few months I have agreed that IPEG will co-sponsor **'The Space Between Us: Theorising Gender in International Politics and IPE'**. This workshop will be held at Bristol University on 1st-2nd June 2006. I have included the call for papers in the 'Announcements' section at the end of this newsletter, and encourage all members who are interested to participate in what promises to be an interesting workshop.

If you have an event planned that you would like IPEG to co-sponsor, please let me know. We are far from flush with cash, so co-sponsorship is only likely to stretch to a few hundred pounds. Workshops or events leading to publication – e.g. special sections in journals or edited volumes – are particularly welcome.

IPEG Annual Workshop

The date for the 2006 IPEG Annual Workshop, hosted by Lancaster University, has now been set for Friday 9th June. As decided at the 2005 Workshop, the theme for 2006 will be 'Rolling Back Neoliberalism?'. I will be posting the official call for papers early in 2006, but in the meantime if anybody wishes to submit a short abstract then please get in touch.

IPEG Papers in Global Political Economy

There are a couple of recent additions to the IPEG Papers in Global Political Economy series. Both should be appearing on the website in the very near future. They are as follows:

No. 20 'Selfwoven Safetynets: The Crisis of Employability and Education Policy in the Globalising South Korea', Phoebe Moore (University of Lincoln)

No. 21 'Thirsty Dragon, Hungry Eagle: Oil Security in Sino-US Relations', Brent Boekestein and Jeffrey Henderson (University of Manchester).

Any members who would like to contribute a paper to the series should contact me.

Money

Thanks to those of you who have responded to my call for the payment of membership fees. For the vast majority, however, the annual fee of £5 remains due. To remind you, research students and overseas members are exempt (as long as they are members of BISA), and cheques are payable to 'International Political Economy Group'. Please send cheques to me at the address at the head of this newsletter.

New Books

Since the last newsletter, I have received notification of the following:

Peter Humphreys and Seamus Simpson, *Globalisation Convergence and European Telecommunications Regulation* (Edward Elgar, 2005)

Kanishka Jayasuriya, *Reconstituting the Global Liberal Order: Legitimacy and Regulation* (Routledge, 2005)

Jonathon Moses, *Norwegian Catch-Up: Development and Globalization before World War II* (Ashgate, 2005).

Tony Payne, *The Global Politics of Unequal Development* (Palgrave, 2005).

Jan art Scholte, *Globalization: A Critical Introduction* (Palgrave, 2005)

Rorden Wilkinson (ed.), *The Global Governance Reader* (Routledge, 2005).

New Appointments

Adam Morton has been appointed as Senior Lecturer in International Relations, School of Politics, University of Nottingham. His new email address is: Adam.Morton@nottingham.ac.uk.

Leonard Seabrooke has been appointed Associate Professor at the International Centre for Business and Politics, Copenhagen Business School. His new email address is ls.cbp@cbs.dk.

Announcements

The Space Between Us: Theorising Gender in International Politics and IPE

University of Bristol, UK
1st – 2nd June 2006

Keynote address: Marysia Zalewski
Forum speakers: Terrell Carver, Fred Halliday, Adam Jones, V. Spike Peterson, Christine Sylvester and Mike Williams

This conference, co-sponsored by the BISA GIR Working Group, the BISA IPEG Group and the Bristol Gender and Governance Research Group, aims to

bring together scholars from the fields of International Relations, International Political Economy, Security and Development who are interested in reflecting on the presence and absence of gender in their work.

It's been almost a decade since J. Ann Tickner published 'You Just Don't Understand...' in *International Studies Quarterly*. Since then, feminist scholarship in the disciplines of International Relations, Peace and Security Studies, Development and International Political Economy has continued to challenge the boundaries of these disciplines, drawing attention to gender as inherent in both the organisational logic and the objects of study of all aspects of international politics. Despite the breadth and depth of critical work that also aims to challenge the same boundaries of the disciplines mentioned above, there is still limited engagement between feminist and non-feminist critical work. While interdisciplinary scholarship in becoming increasingly mainstreamed, there is a lack of conversation between critical scholars regarding gendered work. We welcome submissions from those who work on gender in these subject areas, but also from scholars who do not undertake gendered critiques in their work who nonetheless would be interested in engaging in debate with notable feminist scholars.

The conference will take place at the University of Bristol over the course of two days, with each day beginning with a forum session where eminent scholars reflect on the constructions of gender that inform their own work. Marysia Zalewski will present the closing keynote address on the final day.

Participants who do not intend to present papers are also encouraged to attend the conference, and are asked to register their interest with the conference organiser. If participants would be interested in acting as discussant or chair, please signal this in the initial e-mail. Please e-mail abstracts of no more than 300 words accompanied by contact details to Laura

Shepherd (Laura.Shepherd@bristol.ac.uk)
by 1st March 2006.

New ECPR Standing Group on Regulatory Governance

The European Consortium on Political Research has recently approved a new standing group on Regulatory Governance. The group was initiated by a group of scholars of regulation, aiming to enhance cooperation among scholars as well as the state of the knowledge in this highly important field. Our group is organized under the ECPR, which is the organization of European political scientists, but we do hope to include and to be able to attract lawyers, economists, sociologists and criminologists (among others) to join us in this scholarly organization. While we are located in Europe we hope to attract as many scholars as possible from other parts of the worlds as equal partners for academic exchange and full members of our group.

To join the group and to learn more about its activities please visit the following website:

<http://galactus.upf.edu/regulation/reg-gov>

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And Finally...

... if you have anything you would like to bring to the attention of IPEG members, either through this newsletter or through the e-mail distribution list if the information has a limited shelf-life, please contact me at the above address. News of new books, conferences, workshops, new appointments, situations vacant, new

activities, new opportunities and anything else new is gladly received! Equally, comments on and/or suggestions for IPEG, IPEG's activities and the newsletter itself are extremely welcome.

