



## Second phase IAS programmes

The Institute for Advanced Studies has announced its next five programmes which will tackle key issues facing society through multi-disciplinary enquiry and extensive new collaborations. Funding of £125k has been awarded to the programmes to fund, for example, travel by invited international participants and third sector involvement. Programme events will take place in a purpose built multi-functional space in the city centre of Glasgow. They will also benefit from hands on support from the Institute's development team.

The programmes selected by representatives of a group of Scottish universities to run during the six months from July 2009 are:

### 1. Miscarriages of Justice in Scotland

This programme will address the legal and socio-economic mechanisms currently in place to identify miscarriages of justice in Scotland and the opportunities afforded to prisoners who are claiming innocence while in prison and following their release. It will also focus on the education and training of practicing lawyers as well as law students concerning miscarriages of justice. The programme will run from August to October 2009 and include participants from different sectors: academics, policy makers, lawyers, members of the Scottish Criminal Cases Review Commission. Discussions and workshops will integrate multiple disciplines including law, forensic science, sociology, psychology and criminology.

#### *Programme team:*

Mr Michael Bromby, Research Fellow, Division of Law, Glasgow Caledonian University

Dr Michael Naughton, Innocence Network UK and University of Bristol

Prof. Amina Memon, Psychology, University of Aberdeen

Prof. Paul Maharg, Glasgow Graduate School of Law, University of Strathclyde

### 2. Mapping Futures for News

The programme is designed to explore fundamental changes taking place in the news industries in modern democracies, elucidate the underlying causes and process of these changes and identify emerging opportunities for the news industries. It also aims to produce policy recommendations regarding the economic viability of newspaper publishing and the erosion of news in public service broadcasting. The programme will run from August 2009 to January 2010 and will include contribution from two international fellows, Prof. Michael Schudson, Columbia

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University School of Journalism (USA) and Dr Sally Young, School of Social and Political Sciences, University of Melbourne (Australia).

*Programme team:*

Dr Martin Montgomery, School of Journalism and Communication, University of Strathclyde

Dr Raymond Boyle, Centre for Cultural Policy Research, University of Glasgow

Dr Graham Meikle, Media Research Institute, University of Stirling

### **3. Investing in an Uncertain Future**

The programme aims to explore the methodological gap between quantitative and qualitative methods of analysis aimed at evaluating risk and uncertainty (especially when considering long-term investments in infrastructure). It proposes to find elicitation and modeling approaches that enable an improved structuring of i) the way we perform scenario analysis and ii) the uncertainty models used in cost-benefit analysis. The programme will run for two months from Mid-September 2009. Participants will include academics from Scotland, UK, mainland Europe and North America as well as industry participants (KPMG Europe).

*Programme Team:*

Prof. Tim Bedford, Management Science, Strathclyde Business School

Prof. Colin Eden, Management, Strathclyde Business School

Prof. Simon French, Manchester Business School, University of Manchester

Prof. Peter McKiernan, School of Management, St Andrews University

Prof. Kim Swales, Economics, Strathclyde Business School

### **4. Designing Environments for life**

This programme proposes to develop a community of practice including academics, artists, architectural and design professionals as well as government, business and industry in order to understand how people perceive and shape the world around them through creative practices of designing, making, building and inhabiting. The first aim of the programme is to firstly, rethink the concept of environment so as to situate the lived experience of engaging with our surroundings and secondly, reconsider the meaning of design in a world that is perpetually under construction by way of the activities of inhabitants. Thirdly, the programme will question the tendency to attribute the creativity of design to innovation rather than improvisation – that is to the novelty of prefigured solutions rather than to the capacity of inhabitants to respond with flexibility and precision to ever-changing environmental conditions. The programme will run for 4 months from September 2009. It will include close collaboration with the Lighthouse in Glasgow and the Dundee Centre for Contemporary Arts who will host a touring exhibition of art and design related to the themes of the programme.

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Simon Roberts, Intel Digital Health Group, Leixlip, Ireland

Ian Grout, School of Design, Glasgow School of Art

Anne Douglas, Gray's School of Art, Robert Gordon University

Emilia Ferraro, St Andrews Sustainability Institute, University of St Andrews

## **5. Delivering System Change: Governing Decarbonisation in Scotland**

This programme seeks to explore alternative policy frameworks for governing and delivering decarbonisation. It will draw on expertise about different policy approaches, in particular on transition management models developed in the Netherlands in the environmental policy area. These models seek to integrate insights from economics, innovation studies, sociology and social sciences. The programme will also investigate the potential to achieve decarbonisation through decentralization of societal systems for production and consumption. This will involve including other disciplines beyond economics and innovation studies to politics, history and geography. These different models will be applied to the Scottish context in order to investigate the feasibility of applying the identified policy approaches in Scotland. This particular aspect of the project will bring together governmental representatives, industry and non-governmental organizations.

*Programme team:*

Dr Nils Markusson, University of Edinburgh

Ms Brigid Moran, University of Edinburgh

Dr Simon Shackley, University of Edinburgh

Dr Mark Winskel, University of Edinburgh

Prof. Richard Bellingham, University of Strathclyde/Scottish Government

## **6. Participating**

If you are interested in taking part in any of these programmes, please send an email to: [participate@instituteadvancedstudies.org.uk](mailto:participate@instituteadvancedstudies.org.uk)

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