EDITOR’S NOTE | 編輯按

The biggest news in this month for the community of this monthly publication is the formal change of our name to the ISTR Asia Pacific Third-Sector Researchers Network Newsletter. This change confirms our interest in expanding our outreach to cover more regions and countries and connect more peers with similar research interests.

Many of us attended the recent 11th Asia Pacific Regional ISTR Conference in Bangkok, which was run quite smoothly with the tremendous support from our local host, NIDA – Thailand’s National Institute of Development Administration. You will find a lot of details in this issue in case you missed the conference.

For me and Qianjin, one of the best things out of the Bangkok conference was to meet some of our members in person for the first time and to “recruit” many new members during the conference. Cheers and look forward to hearing from you all soon!

There is a change on my side to share with you. I have moved to the University of New South Wales and will start full-time on Nov. 1st after my maternity leave. But, for the rest of the year, the Newsletter is still hosted by the University of Melbourne.

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ISTR Asia Pacific Conference Review | 會議回顧

The 11th ISTR Asia Pacific Regional Conference and PhD Seminar were successfully held at the National Institute of Development Administration of Thailand in Bangkok. More than one hundred participants from the region and beyond gathered together and made the conference a very productive academic event.

Two participants shared their reflections on the PhD Seminar:

The two-day ISTR PhD Seminar offered a unique opportunity for me to exchange research ideas, receive valuable feedback, and foster long-term collaborations with other PhDs and leading scholars in the field of Third Sector research. The seminar was well-organized, which not only allow for long conversations of thesis writing but also discussions of academic publication, career strategy, and cross-border research. I found the session on career strategy particularly useful as an early-career researcher. As for my own dissertation, I received substantive suggestions and comments from the mentors and cohorts in the group. Moreover, one noteworthy event is the “3MT” competition. Participating in this challenging yet rewarding event helped me to clarify my thoughts. I will strongly recommend my peers who conduct research on topics related to the Third Sector to participate in the forthcoming ISTR PhD seminars.

— Qihai Cai, PhD, Postdoctoral Fellowship at the City University of Hong Kong
I attended the PhD seminar that was designed specifically for current PhD students in the related research fields. The two-day seminar was intensive and I learned a great deal from different sessions that would be very helpful for both my current study and future career development. The most valuable part is the small group discussion, which gave us a unique opportunity to share our research with two experienced mentors and fellow students. We had an in-depth discussion of specific questions or problems that we currently encounter in writing up the PhD dissertation. Another interesting activity during the PhD seminar is the three minutes thesis competition. It is not easy to present your thesis within three minutes and using only one slide. I would recommend all PhD students to give a try. Summarizing your thesis within three minutes not for attending any competitions but clarifying your own thoughts. The preparation process helped me to review and rethink my dissertation in a more structural way.

—Qianjin Zhang, PhD Candidate at the University of Melbourne

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I Selected Abstracts | 精選摘要

Social Entrepreneurial Passion and Social Innovation Performance | 社會企業家的熱情與社會創新績效

Wai Wai Ko, Gordon Liu, Wan Toren Wan Yusoff, Che Rosmawati Che Mat

Abstract: We develop a framework to explain the underlying processes by which social entrepreneurial passion affects social innovation performance. The findings from a survey of 229 U.K.-registered Community Interest Companies indicate that social entrepreneurial passion can positively influence social innovation performance through creative solution generation capacity (CSGC). We also distinguish the moderating effects of different interorganizational network connections on the relationship between social entrepreneurial passion and CSGC. Our findings reveal that network connections with commercial firms are a stronger moderator of the relationship between social entrepreneurial passion and CSGC than network connections with other social enterprises. We discuss the theoretical and managerial implications of our findings.

摘要：我們建立了一個研究框架來解釋社會企業家的熱情影響社會創新績效的潛在過程。對299家英國註冊社區利益企業的調查結果表明，社會企業家的熱情能夠通過創造性解決方案生成能力（CSGC）來積極地影響社會創新績效。我們還區分了不同組織間網絡聯系對社會企業家熱情和CSGC之間關係的調節作用。我們的研究結果表明，與商業公司的網絡聯系而非與其它社會企業的聯系是社會企業家熱情與CSGC之間關係的一個更強有力的調節者。我們討論了研究結果的理論性和管理性意義。

Building a Cross-Sectoral Interorganizational Network to Advance Nonprofits: NGO Incubators as Relationship Brokers in China | 建立一個跨部門組織間網絡以推進非營利組織的發展：在中國非政府組織孵化器作為關係代理人

Aimei Yang, Pauline Hope Cheong

Abstract: In light of the recent rise of Chinese nongovernmental organizations (NGO) and the significant roles that they are playing to advance nonprofit and voluntary activities, this article explores the network dynamics of emerging NGOs in China, known as NGO incubators. NGO incubators were birthed to provide services to
civil society actors, including capacity-building training, fundraising, information support, and network formation guidance. This study examines the evolution of the organizational network of the largest Chinese NGO incubator over its 6-year formative period and provides fresh empirical evidence to illustrate how NGO incubators can powerfully bridge structural holes and build cross-sectoral alliance networks in a nascent civil society. Theoretical and practical implications for NGO development are discussed.

摘要：鉴于近期中国非政府组织（NGO）的崛起及其推动非营利和志愿服务方面发挥的重要作用，这篇文章探讨了中国新发起的NGO孵化器的网络变化。NGO孵化器的诞生为民间社会行动者提供服务，包括能力建设培训、筹款、信息支持和网络组建指导。本研究考察了中国最大的NGO孵化器在其6年形成期内的组织网络演变，同时本研究还提供新的实证证据以说明NGO孵化器如何在新一个新兴公民社会中有力地弥合结构性漏洞并建立跨部门的联盟网络。文章还讨论对NGO发展的理论性和实践性的意义。

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Measuring Social Change: Performance and Accountability in a Complex World | 測量社會變化：在復雜世界中的績效和責任
Alnoor Ebrahim

This new released book addresses one of the fundamental dilemmas facing leaders as they navigate this uncertain terrain: performance measurement. How can they track performance towards worthy goals such as reducing poverty, improving public health, or advancing human rights? What results can they reasonably measure and legitimately take credit for? This book tackles three core challenges of performance faced by social enterprises and nonprofit organizations alike: what to measure, what kinds of performance systems to build, and how to align multiple demands for accountability. It lays out four different types of strategies for managers to consider—niche, integrated, emergent, and ecosystem and details the types of performance measurement and accountability systems best suited to each. Finally, this book examines the roles of funders such as impact investors, philanthropic foundations, and international aid agencies, laying out how they can best enable meaningful performance measurement.

Understanding Social Enterprise: Theory and Practice, the Third Edition | 了解社會企業：理論和實踐（第三版）
Rory Ridley-Duff & Mike Bull

This updated edition of Understanding Social Enterprise comes packed with a wealth of learning features to help students understand the theory and practice within this ever-expanding field. Updates to this edition include: new case studies and examples throughout; considerations of new developments in policy, the economy and legal implications of social enterprise; a focus on the pathways that social enterprise follow.

Civic Space is Shrinking, Yet Civil Society is not the Enemy | 公民空間在縮小，但是公民社會不是敵人
By Lysa John

The 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), adopted by the UN member states in 2015, represent an ambitious, but achievable, agenda to make the world better. Importantly, they are a reminder that world leaders have agreed on common goals to end poverty, protect the
planet, and ensure that all people enjoy peace and prosperity by 2030. In a remarkable shift in international public policy, they have pledged to ‘leave no one behind’ in this effort, thereby committing themselves not just to work together, but also to work for the benefit of all people irrespective of who they are or where they come from.

The values that underpin our ability to generate an internationally co-ordinated response to the sustainable development challenge are, however, increasingly being questioned, undermined and even overruled by leaders who promote narrow, self-serving interpretations of national interest. Report after report from civil society organisations across the globe highlight what we have called in our State of Civil Society report this year a trend towards “presidential sovereignty” that aims to undermine or override the mandate of constitutions, national rights preserving institutions and international agreements.

To read the full blog, please click here.

CALL FOR PAPERS | 論文徵集

The 5th ISTR PhD Seminar, Montréal, Canada

Global Civil Society in Uncertain Times: Strengthening Diversity and Sustainability | 全球公民社會進入不確定時期：加強多元化和可持續性

Deadline for abstract submissions: 30 September 2019 | 摘要提交期限：2019 年 9 月 30 日

Conference Dates: July 5-7, 2020 | 會議日期：2020 年 7 月 5-7 日

Location: Montréal, Canada

The ISTR PhD Seminar is open for applications to all enrolled doctoral students in the field of third sector and civil society research, across the different regions in the world, and at all stages of their doctoral research. The aim of the workshop is to provide doctoral students with the opportunity to engage with senior scholars and peers in extensive intellectual and methodological discussion on their doctoral research, to discuss the main theories and developments in the field, to reflect upon publication and career strategies, and to provide a unique opportunity to network within the international ISTR research community and civil society in general.

The seminar is limited to a group of (up to) 50 doctoral students. Applicants must become members of ISTR for 2020/2021 and must register and attend the ISTR International Conference in Montréal. Students are encouraged to submit abstracts to the main conference (see the call here: https://www.istr.org/page/Montreal). Past participants in ISTR International and Regional PhD Seminars are welcome to apply.

For more information, Please contact Megan Haddock, ISTR Program Manager at mhaddock@istr.org.

Workshop on “Modes of Activism under Authoritarian Governance Regimes in the Asia Pacific”, Sydney, Australia

Deadline for abstract submissions: 31 July 2019 | 摘要提交截止：2019 年 7 月 31 日

Location: Sydney, Australia

This interdisciplinary workshop brings together scholars with research expertise on activism in the Asia-Pacific to explore how civil society actors navigate diverse authoritarian spaces. Existing research on the role of activism in society tends to privilege “liberal” democracies and the experiences and histories of activism within primarily Western contexts. By exploring social movements’ organising and activism across the Asia-Pacific, the workshop aims to demonstrate the limitations of these dominant theories in accounting for experiences across the range of authoritarian governments, illiberal democracies and hybrid political regimes that exist across the Asia Pacific region. The workshop will posit alternative theories of civil society organising and activism with a view to building a nuanced and regionally-specific understanding of activism. The workshop seeks to locate experiences from Asia within critical theory and “decolonise” knowledge production through approaches such as the “Asia-as-method” framework.

The workshop welcomes papers from a range of disciplines that explore different perspectives on activism in the Asia-Pacific region, seen here as encompassing East, South and Southeast Asia as well as Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific. We particularly invite papers that respond to the following questions:

• What types of authoritarian governance regimes are emerging in the Asia-Pacific region and with what consequences for activism?
• How is activism conceptualised and understood in the Asia-Pacific, and how do these conceptualisations challenge dominant theories of civil society and activism?
• What are the challenges and opportunities for activism under such diverse modes of authoritarian governance?

To participate in the workshop, please send abstracts (max 250 words) and a 100 word bio to Dr. Thomas Baudinette (Department of International Studies; tom.baudinette@mq.edu.au) copied to Dr. Sara Fuller (Department of Geography and Planning; sara.fuller@mq.edu.au) and Dr. Amy Barrow (Law School; amy.barrow@mq.edu.au) with the subject line Activism in the Asia-Pacific. The deadline for submissions is 31 July 2019. Acceptance will be confirmed by end August 2019 and participants will be expected to submit a 3000-word paper no later than 1 November 2019.

The workshop is free to attend but participants will need to cover their own travel and accommodation costs. The workshop will be held at Macquarie University.

Call for chapter proposals: Sagamore Nonprofit Studies Series: Nonprofit Financial Management

Deadline for submissions: 15 August 2019

The editors of the Sagamore Nonprofit Studies Series invite chapter proposals from scholars and instructors in the field of nonprofit financial management. The vision for this book is that it would be used in graduate and undergraduate courses introducing students to nonprofit financial management.

If you are interested in writing a chapter for this book, please develop a topical outline of the sections and subsections on one page and a brief discussion of the chapter in no more than 250 words. Submit this by August 15 to Heather Carpenter hcarpenter@ndm.edu and Crystal Evans cevans005@regis.edu. For more information, please visit istr website.
Call for Manuscripts: Management Communication Quarterly Special Issue on Communication Dynamics of Nonprofit and Voluntary Organizations

Deadline for submissions: 2 March 2020 | 提交期限：2020 年 3 月 2 日

Submissions that examine emerging trends and concerns in nonprofit organizing or underexplored contexts are particularly encouraged. Topics of interest include, but are not limited to:

- Interorganizational, cross-sector, and community collaborations
- Nonprofit organizing across international boundaries and in non-U.S. contexts
- Non-charitable organizations (e.g., political action committees, labor organizations, business leagues)
- Engagement with marginalized and stigmatized populations
- Intersectional identities in nonprofit organizing (e.g., gender, race, ethnicity, religion, sexuality, age, ability, class)
- Contested, controversial, or hidden missions or practices
- Disruptions and threats (e.g., crisis, turnover, ethical transgressions)
- Power and role negotiations (among board, staff, volunteers, donors and stakeholders)
- Emotionality, exhaustion, burnout, and resilience in client interaction

Manuscripts should adhere to Management Communication Quarterly’s standard submission guidelines for full-length articles. Submissions should be no more than 10,000 words, including abstract and references. All papers should be formatted in APA style. Submissions will be accepted until March 2, 2020. For more information, please contact Special Issue Editors Brittany Peterson at petersob@ohio.edu or Lacy McNamee at Lacy_McNamee@baylor.edu.

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Application Closing Date: 11 August 2019

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Research Fellow in The National Drug and Alcohol Research Centre (NDARC), UNSW

Application Closing Date: 04 Aug 2019

Position Enquiries: Dr Amy Peacock at amy.peacock@unsw.edu.au

Lecturer in Sociology, Monash University

Application Closing Date: 30 August 2019

Position Enquiries: Dr Helen Forbes-Mewett at helen.forbesmewett@monash.edu
Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Centre for Social Responsibility in Mining, University of Queensland

Application Closing Date: 13 Aug 2019

Position Enquiries: Professor John Owen at j.owen@uq.edu.au

Canada | 加拿大

Associate Professor of Social Work, University of Northern British Columbia

Application Closing Date: 30 September 2019

For the further information, please contact Dawn Hemingway at Dawn.Hemingway@unbc.ca

Assistant Professor/Associate Professor/Professor in Indigenous Politics, University of Toronto

Application Closing Date: Sep 30, 2019

Submission guidelines: http://careers.hrandequity.utoronto.ca/help/how-to-apply-for-academic-positions/

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Associate Professor in Governance, University of Copenhagen

Application Closing Date: 1 August 2019

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Application Closing Date: 1 August 2019

Position Enquiries: Christian Elmelund-Præstekær cel@sam.sdu.dk

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Application Closing Date: Sep 1, 2019

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Application Closing Date: 15 Aug 2019

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United Kingdom | 英國

Teaching Associate in Philosophy, University of Nottingham

Application Closing Date: 1st September 2019

Position Enquiries: Dr Andrew Fisher at Andrew.fisher@nottingham.ac.uk

United States | 美國

Pre and Post-Doctoral Fellow, Global Development Policy Center, Boston University

Application Closing Date: October 1, 2019

Position Enquiries: Xinyue Ma at xma@bu.edu

Assistant Professor of Sociology, Whitman College

Application Closing Date: 19 September 2019

Online Application: https://whitmanhr.simplehire.com

Lecturer in Sociology, University of Virginia

Application Closing Date: Applications will be accepted until the position is filled

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The Asia Pacific Third-Sector Researchers Network (formerly the East Asia Third-Sector Researchers Network) is an initiative first launched by the ISTR (International Society for Third-Sector Research) and the Centre for Social Innovation Studies in the Chinese University of Hong Kong in 2016 to help scholars and students in East Asia and beyond to exchange information about publications, conferences and job vacancies in third-sector studies through this Newsletter. Starting from November 2018, the Asia Institute of the University of Melbourne becomes the host of the Newsletter, and the scope of the Newsletter and the network has expanded to cover the entire Asia Pacific. You are welcome to follow us on Facebook (ISTR-Asia Pacific) and Weibo (@亚太第三部门研究网络).

亞太第三部門研究人員網絡（前身为東亞第三部門研究人員網絡）是由ISTR（國際第三部門研究學會）和香港中文大學社會創新研究中心於2016年發起成立。該網絡旨在通過發布每月通訊為亞太及其他地區的學者和學生提供第三部門研究領域出版物，學術會議，職位空缺等相關信息交流。從2018年11月起，墨爾本大學亞洲研究院成為該通訊的主辦單位，該通訊和研究網絡的範圍也擴大到整個亞太地區。歡迎您在Facebook（ISTR-Asia Pacific）和微博（@亞太第三部門研究網絡）上關注我們。