EDITOR’S NOTE

A late Happy New Year and a just-in-time Happy Lunar New Year to you all!

Great to be back in touch here, as I have some exciting news to share. Our editorial team have grown twice bigger as we start the year 2022. Qianjin, who has been the true backbone behind every single issue since 2019, will be the Associate Editor and join me from Macau University of Science and Technology (where she now is based at as an Assistant Professor).

Qianjin and I would like to send out a loud WELCOME to our new partners: Assistant Editor Linda van der Wijk and Editorial Assistant Tahlia McKee. Linda, an experienced international development specialist, is currently pursuing her PhD at Thammasat University in Bangkok. She will conduct editorial and research work related to the In Spotlight section. Tahlia, the youngest and brightest on the team, is in her 5th year at UNSW. She will shepherd all the input from different contributors into the final product each month and has written the first In Spotlight piece of this year on an important issue in Australian society.

In this issue, we have selected two articles on volunteering published by VOLUNTAS (a nod to the fresh Editors-in-Chief team!) and two articles with a comparative perspective (one focusing on Africa) from Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly.

Stay well and until soon,
Fengshi Wu

首先遥祝各位同仁新年愉快，拜个早年！

2022 伊始，盼望着与大家分享我们编辑部的消息：乾瑾（现在澳门科技大学任教）自 2019 年一路走来，每一期的通讯都由她仔细过目，今年开始她会担当更多，出任通讯的副主编。不仅如此，乾瑾和我还多了两位伙伴！Linda van der Wijk（助理编辑）和 Tahlia McKee（编辑助理）。Linda 有多年的国际发展和 NGO 的工
Formally established in 1981, the Secretariat of National Aboriginal and Islander Child Care (SNAICC) is the leading non-governmental body in Australia for the overall welfare and safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children. Partnering with both First Nations community-based organisations and the Australian Government, SNAICC develop policies, programs, practices and research which promote and improve the security, well-being and development of Indigenous Australian children. Currently, SNAICC has a strong network and subscriber base of over 10,000 organisations and individuals nationally, all of who share the vision of an Australian society in which the rights of First Nations children, young people and families are protected: their communities are empowered to determine their own futures; and their cultural identity is valued.

SNAICC believes in both the necessity and value of influencing laws, policies and institutions to improve the outcomes for First Nations children, facilitates the growth of the non-profit sector in this field and produces research publications to reach its goals. For example, the most recent Family Matters Report – published in December 2021 – underlines the severe impacts of homelessness, poverty, intergenerational trauma, as well as social exclusion on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families. As seen in SNAICC’s prior publications, this Report once again confirms the worrisome trend that the total number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children being permanently removed and disconnected from their family and culture is increasing at a startling rate.

“This report makes for uncomfortable reading. Our children are 10 times more likely to be in out-of-home care or permanent care, a figure that continues to increase every year. This should be unacceptable” – SNAICC CEO, Family Matters Co-Chair, and Arrernte/Luritja woman Catherine Liddle.

Despite the fact that Commonwealth, State, and Territory Governments in Australia have all committed to reducing the over-representation of Indigenous Australian children in out-of-home care, SNAICC predicts a 54% increase in representation by 2030. In addition, the Report also found that the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children being placed with First Nations carers has dropped from 53% in 2013 to
42.5% in 2020, which indicates – and could result in – a loss of connection to their culture, community, and language.

For more information about SNAICC and their research, such as the Report on the Ongoing Impact of COVID-19, Brief on Indigenous Child Protection During COVID-19, and A call for a National Commissioner for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children, please visit here.

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I Selected Abstracts

Explaining the Varieties of Volunteering in Europe: A Capability Approach
Bernard Enjolras

Abstract: Volunteer rates vary greatly across Europe despite the voluntary sector’s common history and tradition. This contribution advances a theoretical explanation for the variation in volunteering across Europe—the capability approach—and tests this approach by adopting a two-step strategy for modelling contextual effects. This approach, referring to the concept of capability introduced by Sen (Choice, welfare and measurement, Oxford University Press, 1980/1982), is based on the claim that the demand and supply sides of the voluntary sector can be expected to vary according to collective and individual capabilities to engage in volunteering. To empirically test the approach, the study relied on two data sources—the 2015 European Union (EU) Survey on Income and Living Conditions (EU-SILC), including an ad hoc module on volunteering at the individual level, and the Quality of Government Institute and PEW Research Centre macro-level data sets—to operationalize economic, human, political, social, and religious contextual factors and assess their effects on individuals’ capability to volunteer. The results support the capability hypothesis at both levels. At the individual level, indicators of human, economic, and social resources have a positive effect on the likelihood of volunteering. At the contextual level, macro-structural indicators of economic, political, social, and religious contexts affect individuals’ ability to transform resources into functioning—that is, volunteering.

Making the State’s Volunteers in Contemporary China
Ming Hu

Abstract: China has experienced a striking rise of volunteerism in the past three decades while the civil society is still incipient and repressed by the authoritarian state. This seeming paradox alludes to the critical role of the state, which has been well noted but scarcely examined in the extant literature on Chinese volunteering. Analyzing 103 government documents associated with volunteering that were published between 1986 and 2017, this study explores the state’s roles and motivations in fostering volunteerism. It finds that Chinese volunteering has been incorporated into the state’s ruling scheme by developing a state-
controlled volunteer service system. Volunteering is utilized for strengthening the state’s ideological hegemony, implementing innovative social management for social stability, and facilitating the Chinese Communist Party’s party building for its long-term rule. Implications and suggestions for future research are included.

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I Selected Abstracts

Reconciling Theory and Context in Comparative Nonprofit Research
Yi Zhao, Joseph Galaskiewicz, and Eunsung Yoon

Abstract: The article reviews a family of multilevel models that can be used to build general theories of the nonprofit sector that are still sensitive to variations in context. The comparative study of the nonprofit (or nongovernmental) sector presents formidable challenges to social scientists who are attempting to advance theory on the sector. Ostensibly, the goal is to model and test theories that are generalizable. Yet, as scholars study topics such as volunteerism, donations, governance, management, advocacy, accountability, and the like in different political, economic, and cultural contexts, they often find different patterns across cases. After reviewing the issues and introducing the idea that time (or more specifically events) can be
thought of as context as well, we present an analytical approach for doing comparative research using the framework of hierarchical linear modeling.

**Civil Society and Philanthropy in Africa: Parallels, Paradoxes and Promise**  
*Ebenezer Obadare, and Kelly Krawczyk*

**Abstract:** Civil society and philanthropy in Africa are regularly theorized in formal terms and oft perceived as inherently democratizing forces. Yet, existing evidence exposes the limitations of these assumptions. This article provides an introduction to the symposium issue on civil society and philanthropy in Africa. The objective of the introduction, and the articles contained in the symposium, is to examine important questions related to civil society and philanthropy on the continent: What is the complex history and role of civil society and philanthropy in Africa? How have donor dependence and professionalization affected the effectiveness of the third sector? What are the contours of the relationship between the state and civil society? We ask these crucial questions in an attempt to provide a more nuanced and contextualized understanding of civil society and philanthropy on the continent.

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Panel Discussion: Responding to Crises: Civil Society Experiences in Different Asia-Pacific Regimes

23 February 2022

9:30 New Delhi | 12:00 Kuala Lumpur | 15:00 Sydney

This panel discussion offers diverse views on the differing responses to the COVID-19 pandemic as a crisis. The questions underpinning the entirety of the discussion are how civil societies respond to crises, and what this means for state-civil society relationships.

The panel members for this discussion are:

**Xin Ying Chan:** *Program Manager at Penang Women’s Development Corporation, Malaysia.* Within this role, she has mobilized non-governmental organizations to play an active role in COVID-19 relief. With the Penang State being governed by a different political party than the Federation, the political response to Covid-19 is mixed. This environment challenges the donative and responsive role of civil society to those impacted by the pandemic. Xinying will draw on both academic and practitioner’s perspectives.

**Dr. Peng Lin:** *Researcher at the Institute of Politics and Law, Guangzhou Academic of Social Sciences* His research on disaster politics and public policy have combined in his recent research into China’s civic response to the first and most deadly wave of COVID outbreak in 2020, examining how various forms of civic activism responded to humanitarian emergencies caused by the combination of virus and state failure. He sheds light on China’s state-society relationship under authoritarian absolutism by exploring how civic actors respond and adapt to the highly coercive virus response measures and increasingly restrictive political environment for civic activism in China.

**Dr. Faraha Naz:** *Assistant Professor at the Indian Institute of Technology, India.* She is a sociologist with an interest in development studies and public policy. Her research on natural resource management and disaster risk reduction has led her to examine responses of different socio-political structures to pandemics and particularly to explore possible strategies and incentive structures in the model adopted by the state of Kerala in partnership with civil society to fight against Covid-19.

The moderator for this discussion is:
Kin-Man Chan: Professor in the Department of Sociology at the National Chengchi University, Taiwan. Editorial board member of the Journal of Civil Society (US), China Non-Profit Review (Beijing), and Third Sector Review (Taiwan), and member of the ISTR Board of Directors.

To register online, please visit here.

Book Club: In Defense of Philanthropy

02 March 2022

9:00 London | 19:00 Sydney

Despite philanthropists and big donors being lampooned and criticized for their charitable activities, having their actions characterized as self-aggrandisement or a means of tax evasion, it is broadly recognised that philanthropy has played a critical role in developed and developing societies alike. Featuring the Director of the Centre for Philanthropy, and Reader in Social Policy at the University of Kent, Beth Breeze will tackle the main critiques aimed towards philanthropy in an impassioned defence of its role in modern society. She will contend that, although flawed, philanthropy is a sector which ought to be celebrated and championed in order for a multitude of causes and interests to flourish.

She will be joined in conversation by Wendy Scaife; An Associate Professor and Director of the Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies and the Social-Purpose research team in the Queensland University of Technology’s Centre for Future Enterprise.

A pre-reading of interest can be found here.

To register online, please visit here.

Publication: Nonprofit and Civil Society Studies
An International Multidisciplinary Series

Paul Dekker and Benjamin Lehn

As all scholars in the field of third-sector research can contest, research on the non-profit sector (as well as civil society) has gained traction in recent years. It is especially exciting – for students, policy makers, and practitioners alike – to see an increase in research and funding opportunities, as more scholars have sought to participate in the development of a broad and ambitious sector within the social science discipline. This international multidisciplinary series possesses titles such as ‘Accounting for the Varieties of Volunteering’ (2021), ‘The New Social and Impact Economy’ (2021), and ‘Handbook on Corporate Foundations’ (2020). Each title offers innovative and in-depth insight from disciplines spanning from business and economics, to philanthropy, civil society and sociology.
Call for Papers

Call for Papers for a Special Issue in Voluntary Sector Review

Deadline for Submissions: 01 March 2022

The Voluntary Sector Review are seeking submissions for the issue: ‘Adapting to Survive or Thrive: Civil Society, the Third Sector and Social Movements in ‘Post-Socialist’ Spaces’. Papers which explore the development of civil society, the third sector, social movements and their agents in countries that, to date, have received minimal research attention are particularly welcome. Given expanding the geographical focus of research on civil society has potential to provide further insights into civil society and its manifestations, the Journal is keen to receive papers authored or co-authored by academics in-country which speak both to a particular geographical context, and theoretical development.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this issue please email crottyj@edgehill.ac.uk:

- 600-word abstract that outlines the contents of the article, as well as its methodology and fit with the special issue; and
- 50-word author biographical statement.

View the full call for papers here.

Call for Papers for a Special Issue in the Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Management

Deadline for Submission: 01 April 2022

The Journal of Hospitality and Tourism Management are seeking submissions for the issue: ‘Disruption and Resilience in Post-Pandemic Volunteer Tourism: Rethinking Theory, Contents and Methods’. Papers that enable a meaningful, critical and innovative reconsideration of existing theoretical and pragmatic perspectives on volunteer tourism and the role it plays in our post-pandemic societies, are welcomed. The aim of this issue is to advance current understandings on how post-pandemic volunteer tourism relates and response to the crisis of our century. Critical, inter- and multi-disciplinary submissions on re-theorising volunteer tourism provision, and politics and ethics of volunteer tourism, among others, are sought.

If you are interested in submitting an article for this special issue please email e.burrai@leedsbeckett.ac.uk, d.sterchele@leedsbeckett.ac.uk, and K.Holmes@curtin.edu.au:

- 300-word abstract;
• 200-word list of highlights with the main contributions of the paper in the form of 3-5 bullet points; and
• Short biography (including recent publications).

View the full call for papers here.

Call for Papers for a Special Issue in the International Journal of Public Sector Management

Deadline for Submission: 31 May 2022

The International Journal of Public Sector Management are seeking submissions for the special issue: ‘Social Enterprises and Public Organizations: Allies or Adversaries?’. The main questions this special issue will address is what the rise of social enterprise means for public organizations; what public management of social enterprises entails; and how social enterprises and public organizations can best relate to one another. A non-exhaustive list of matters that articles might address include governance and management of social enterprises, funding and procurement of social enterprises, accountability and impact measurements, and the role of social enterprises in crisis management.

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this issue please email both bholland@american.edu and karre@essb.eur.nl a:

• 500-word abstract.

View the full call for papers here.

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