EDITOR’S NOTE

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Greetings from Bangkok! My name is Dipendra K C, and I am the Assistant Dean for Academic Affairs at the School of Global Studies at Thammasat University in Bangkok.

SGS offers a Bachelor, a Master, and a PhD program in which I am not only part of the administration but also teach. Besides my work at SGS, I also serve as the secretary of ISTR.

It looks like our world is opening again slowly, and travel restrictions are reducing. This also means that planning for the ISTR 15th International Conference (2022), “Navigating in Turbulent Times: Perspectives and Contributions from the Third Sector” is in full swing. The conference is scheduled to take place in Montreal from 12 to 15 July 2022 and registrations have just opened. You can register online via the following link if you haven’t already: https://www.istr.org/events/EventDetails.aspx?id=1620193.

I hope to meet many of you there!

Thanks to Fengshi and Qianjin for inviting me as a guest editor for this issue, already the third issue in 2022. For “In Spotlight” we would like to share with you the work of Martin Chautari in Nepal, an organization that has not only impressed but also inspired me to go into research myself.

We have selected two articles from Voluntas and two book reviews from The Nonprofit Review, to give you an idea of the wide and interesting variety of articles and reviews that these journals publish.

Enjoy reading!

Dipendra
In Spotlight:
Martin Chautari in Nepal

By Dipendra K C and Linda van der Wijk

Established in 1991 as an informal discussion group for academics, practitioners, and activists to give them a space to discuss development and civil society issues with the Nepali context Martin Chautari (MC), after a period under management of the Centre for Social Research and Development, registered formally as an NGO in Kathmandu, Nepal in 2002.

MC’s strategic goal is to provide opportunities for dialogue, promote academic cooperation, facilitate the production of knowledge, and support budding researchers in various ways.

While the discussions are still the core of the organization the work has expanded significantly into research, mentoring, publications, and the operation of a library.

These activities are aligned around the main themes of media, gender, environmental justice, education, health, social inclusion and democracy, and policy.

Publications by MC include research briefs, journals, bibliographies, and their own book series, and there are publications both in English and in Nepali.

Two of the main ongoing research projects are:

- **Promoting the Environment for Further Deepening of Democracy in Nepal**, focussing on federal transition, promoting civil society organizational space, and digital rights in research, discussions, and publications. This project takes place in Kathmandu and runs until March 2023.
- **Enhancing the Capacity of Rights-based Advocates**, in which local right-based activists are supported so they can undertake research. The research is about issues that are of importance to the province that project – now in Phase II – takes place in, Madesh Province. The output of this research can be used in policy debates and civic dialogue. MC assesses civil society and academia in Madesh Province, identifies trainees and assesses their research capabilities, and designs individual training for them, the organization mentors the research and facilitates production of output as well as publication and dissemination.

As of March 2022, MC has published 106 books in their Chautari Book Series, of which 70% are in Nepali. Topics cover a broad range, going from history, literature, civil society, and politics to the work NGOs did in early earthquake relief.

More information can be found on Martin Chautari’s website.
You Shall (Not) Pass: Strategies for Third-Party Gatekeepers to Enhance Volunteer Inclusion

Philine van Overbeeke, Stephanie Koolen-Maas, Lucas Mejis, and Jeffrey Brudney

Abstract: Volunteering appears to be a mechanism that can contribute to societal inclusion. As non-profit organizations continuously seek more volunteers, opportunities for volunteer inclusion seem limitless. We argue that, in reality, it is not that simple. Volunteer exclusion derives from the failure to seek, recruit, and place potential volunteers with antecedents predicting non-volunteering. This article focuses on the “sending-organization” in dual volunteer management. We look at sending-organizations, such as a corporation or school, that organizes volunteer opportunities for its participants in a “receiving-organization,” i.e., the organization where the volunteer service is performed. Based on qualitative data generated from semi-structured and vignette interviews, we explore the crucial role that gatekeepers at the sending-organization play in the inclusion and exclusion of volunteers in receiving-organizations. We identify three strategies for these sending-gatekeepers to enhance volunteer inclusion: encouraging, enabling, and enforcing.

The Rural / Urban Volunteering Divide

Laurie Paarlberg, Rebecca Nesbit, and Ryan Moss

Abstract: Are rural residents more likely to volunteer than those living in urban places? Although early sociological theory posited that rural residents were more likely to experience social bonds connecting them to their community, increasing their odds of volunteer engagement, empirical support is limited. Drawing upon the full population of rural and urban respondents to the United States Census Bureau’s current population survey volunteering supplement (2002–2015), we found that rural respondents are more likely to report volunteering compared to urban respondents, although these differences are decreasing over time. Moreover, we found that propensities for rural and urban volunteerism vary based on differences in both individual and place-based characteristics; further, the size of these effects differs across rural and urban places. These findings have important implications for theory and empirical analysis.

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Black Wave: How Networks and Governance Shaped Japan’s 3/11 Disaster
Takayoshi Amenomori

Abstract: Despite the devastation caused by the magnitude 9.0 earthquake and 60-foot tsunami that struck Japan in 2011, some 96% of those living and working in the most disaster-stricken region of Tohoku made it through. Smaller earthquakes and tsunamis have killed far more people in nearby China and India. What accounts for the exceptionally high survival rate? And why is it that some towns as cities in the Tohoku region have built back more quickly than others? Black Wave illuminates two critical factors that had a direct influence on why survival rates varied so much across the Tohoku region following the 3/11 disasters, and why the rebuilding process has also not moved in lockstep across the region.

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   Mika Nagai
Due to the heavy greenhouse footprint of coal-fired electricity, reducing the amount of coal in the fuel mix will be necessary for many countries to achieve their climate policy goals and, by extension, for the successful implementation of the Paris Agreement. Public opposition to coal in some locations – including sites in India, Indonesia, and the United States – has become an important factor in project development. This project asks: what explains variation in public opposition to proposed coal-fired power plants? Based on statistical analysis of a global sample of 337 proposed coal-fired power plants, I find that domestic connections to the global anti-coal network do increase the likelihood of a given project being opposed. But qualitative case studies reveal a wide range of protest modes and motivations amongst local actors, suggesting that international NGOs are somewhat peripheral in building network power.

The keynote speaker for this seminar is:

Jennifer Hadden: Associate Professor, Department of Government and Politics (University of Maryland).

To register online, please visit here.

Upholding a Sustainable, Resilient Internet: What Coalitions and Solutions Are Needed?

06 April 2022

17:30 – 19:00 London

This event will explore the steps for companies to uphold internet resilience and tackle questions about how to address risks related to the internet’s ‘breaking points’. The internet is a resilient network. During the pandemic, the internet’s underlying protocols and infrastructure were capable of handling skyrocketing demand and stress. However, in recent years, global internet has also been under growing threat from fragmentation. Competing visions for the future of the internet have led to an increased politicization of its technical architecture. At the international level, there is a widespread deficiency in trust and shared visions. And as a result, technical solutions for improving the internet’s resilience hold new weight, with higher stakes for prosperity, security and human rights around the world.

This panel conversation starts by unpacking key trends across the different layers of global internet: From telecommunication cables to its upper protocol layers and applications, including domain name system (DNS) resolver issues. Drawing on the panel’s experience, this conversation will explore the coalitions and solutions necessary for ISPs and ICT companies to uphold internet resilience at different levels and ask
questions about how to address the risks associated with the internet’s ‘breaking points’, consolidation and fragmentation.

The keynote speakers for this conference are:

**Baher Esmat:** Managing Director, Middle East and Africa, ICANN.

**Mark Hughes:** President, Security, DXC Technology.

**Emily Taylor:** Associate Fellow, International Security Programme.

To register online, please visit [here](#).

**Australian Not-for-Profit Organizations: Insights from Internal and External Stakeholders**

**Annual Report**

The not-for-profit sector is a highly diverse sector with varied legal structures, sizes, tax concessions, missions, activities, and outputs/outcomes. This report sought to obtain:

i. An in-depth understanding of who the users of not-for-profit annual reports are;

ii. User’s information requirements;

iii. Whether users’ requirements are satisfied by the current reporting frameworks;

iv. Preparer’s understanding of reporting requirements;

v. Where any red tape challenges lied;

vi. The costs associated with not-for-profit financial reporting; and

vii. Not-for-profit reporting other than through annual reports.

The report consequently garnered insights from internal and external stakeholders to clarify how Australian not-for-profits use annual reports for decision-making, resource management and accountability discharge.

To access the report online, please visit [here](#).

**Applications for the Fulbright Professional Scholarship in Nonprofit Leadership**

**Deadline for Applications: 06 July 2022**

The Fulbright Professional Scholarship in Non-Profit Leadership (supported by the Australian Scholarships Foundation) is the first scholarship for the not-for-profit sector in Australia. It provides a unique opportunity to travel to the U.S. for 3 – 4 months in 2023 to study, conduct research into, and gain experiential learning in leadership and the operations of U.S. non-profit sector organisations.
Every application is assessed based on merit and the quality of the application and its proposal for study, research and experiential learning is critical. The perceived benefits to the Australian not-for-profit sector and a willingness, on their return, to share their U.S. findings and knowledge in the sector are important considerations.

For more information, please visit here.

Co-Production and Japanese Healthcare: Work Environment, Governance, Service Quality and Social Values

13 April 2022
10:00 Tokyo

Healthcare in most developed countries face a complex and partly contradictory mix of financial, social and political challenges. Fiscal strains combined with New Public Management agendas have caused severe cutbacks and calls for greater efficiency in public healthcare, resulting in a growing concern about service quality. Co-production and Japanese Healthcare explores a possibility to address these issues from a new perspective that emphasizes greater collaboration between the staff and patients. Here professionals and patients/clients act as ‘partners to co-produce healthcare through their mutual contributions’.

Japan has a unique system of two user-owned healthcare providers with nearly 200 hospitals, 500 clinics and 50,000 beds. However, they differ from each other and from public hospitals, in terms of their work environment, service quality, governance models and social values. This volume compares cooperative and public healthcare providers at ten hospitals across Japan with survey data from the staff, as well as from the patients and volunteers at four hospitals.

To register for the event, please visit here.

American Political Science Association Asia Program

Deadline for Applications: 08 April 2022

Bangkok – 21 July to 23 July

The American Political Science Association (APSA) is pleased to announce a Call for Papers from scholars interested in attending the 2022 Asia Pacific Political Science Research and Publication Conference. This three-day program offers an opportunity to share and receive critical feedback on research manuscripts, network with colleagues from across the Asia Pacific region, and contribute to a range of forthcoming publications.
Organized in partnership with Thammasat and Chulalongkorn Universities, the conference will be held in Bangkok from July 21, 2022 to July 23, 2022. Approximately 60 scholars will be invited to attend, including up to 30 alumni of the APSA Asia Workshops.

The conference will be held alongside the Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG) Summer Conference to maximize opportunities for networking and professional development. With support from the Henry Luce Foundation, organizers will cover the cost of airfare and hotel accommodation for all invited scholars. The 2022 conference is part of APSA’s effort to support political science research among early-career scholars in East and Southeast Asia and strengthen research networks linking Asian scholars with colleagues overseas. The working language of the conference is English.

The conference is intended for PhD students and early-career faculty in political science, international relations, and other social science disciplines who are based at institutions in East and Southeast Asia. Scholars based outside the Asia Pacific may apply, though preference will be given to applicants from within the region. The program is open to those undertaking Asia politics research across a range of contemporary topics.

For more information, please visit here.

**International Summer Workshop – Digital Innovation: Gender Technology and Well-Being**

**Deadline for Applications: 25 April 2022**

07 June to 08 June

While digital innovation is often praised as the solution to contemporary and future wellness problems, the social inequalities contained in and reinforced through digital technologies are often not acknowledged. This summer workshop addresses this shortfall by asking how the development, design, and use of digital technologies interplay with gender and other social categories such as race, class, and sexuality to shape individual and societal well-being. From an interdisciplinary perspective, participants will participate in lectures, work together to reflect, identify, analyze, and address current challenges in international (digital) technology contexts.

The workshop is organized by the Gender Studies program at the Chinese University of Hong Kong, and the Centre for Gender Studies at Karlstad University, in collaboration with the Digital Well Arena. The workshop is for MA-level students or final-year undergraduate students around the world. Participation in this summer workshop is free. The number of student participants is limited to 20. In addition, students are required to be proficient in English given the digital workshop will be conducted in English. International students are strongly welcomed to apply.
In order to be admitted to the summer workshop, applicants will need to submit:

- Completed registration form with basic information;
- Current CV;
- One-page personal statement of interest regarding:
  - (i) Why you are interested in attending this workshop, and
  - (ii) A potential project idea relating to digital innovation.

Inquiries can be directed towards genderstudies@cuhk.edu.hk and linghan@cuhk.edu.hk.

**Call for Papers**

**Call for Papers for a Special Issue of VOLUNTAS**

**Deadline for Submissions: 01 June 2022**

The VOLUNTAS is seeking submissions for the issue: ‘The Role of Philanthropy in Building Bridges in times of Polarization’. The special issue will be dedicated to the theme of the 10th International ERNOP Conference; ‘The Role of Philanthropy in Building Bridges in the Aftermath of COVID-19’. Papers which take stock of the contribution of philanthropy to bridge existing and new societal divides, as well as specific tensions arising in the broad field of voluntary action for the public good are particularly welcomed. First stream contributions will analyse the extent to which philanthropy can contribute to overcome populism, polarization, and rising levels of inequality. Key questions which may guide submissions include the following:

i. How might philanthropy keep communities together through connecting religious groups, native and immigrant groups, the rich and poor?
ii. How can philanthropy help alleviate the digital divide?
iii. How can philanthropy contribute to address the United Nations’ Sustainable Development Goals?

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this issue, please visit:

- [Here](#) for the full call for paper.

**Call for Papers for a Special Issue of VOLUNTAS**

**Deadline for Submissions: 07 September 2022**

The VOLUNTAS is seeking submissions for the issue: ‘Civil Society in Latin America: Experiments, Resilience, New Utopias’. Latin America and the Caribbean share a colonial legacy and deep socioeconomic inequalities that today produce vulnerabilities. In both the 1990s and early 2000s, the region experienced significant improvements in expanding public services and fighting poverty. During this period, although accompanied
by the continuity of neoliberal structural adjustment programs, the Latin American economies grew at an average rate of 2% of GDP between 1990 and 2008 (ECLAC, 2015). It is clear that these growths were uneven, with greater increases in Panama (3.4%), Peru (3.3%), Uruguay (2.8%) and smaller in Guatemala (0.7%), Salvador (0.6%) and Paraguay (0.5%). This period also represented a growth in the participation of civil society organizations (CSO) in both wealth generation and job creation. In this sense, the Comparative Project of the Non-Profit Sector informs that for the year 2004 the contribution of this sector was 4.9% in Chile, 4.8% in Argentina, 2.5% in Peru and 1.6% in Brazil (Irarrázaval, 2006).

If you are interested in submitting a proposal for this issue, please visit:

- [Here](#) for the full call for paper.

**Call for Application: Asia Pacific Week Conference – Pathways to Transformation: Resilience in an Age of Uncertainty**

**Deadline for Submissions: 11 April 2022**

Asia Pacific Week is an interdisciplinary conference for exemplary students and young professionals from all disciplines who are interested in tackling current and challenging issues facing Asia and the Pacific. We want individuals who can reimagine the possible; who are hungry for deeper understanding of the region and who are committed to lead impactful lives.

The twelfth Asia Pacific Week Conference will be held from 20 June to 23 June 2022 and our theme for this year is “Pathways to Transformation: Resilience in an Age of Uncertainty.” The delegates will delve into current crises affecting the region, guided by our eminent and cutting-edge panellists. Students will also enjoy a series of non-formal, practical events planned for fun and learning through doing.

**Delegate applications open at 9:00am 28 March 2022 and close at 5:00pm Friday 11 April 2022 (AEST).**

Interested applicants may access the application form here: [https://forms.office.com/r/qWCneVgTxY](https://forms.office.com/r/qWCneVgTxY). For up-to-date communication, we also encourage students/participants to follow us on Facebook: [www.facebook.com/ANUAPW](http://www.facebook.com/ANUAPW).

This will be the third year that the APW Conference will be held online, to ensure that the Conference is accessible to all students globally. We are excited to invite your students to participate, meet and work alongside like-minded students from all over the world. If any of the Conference details change, we will keep you updated and happily address any concerns at [asiapacificweek@anu.edu.au](mailto:asiapacificweek@anu.edu.au).
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Associate Professor in Public Policy  
University of Melbourne  
Application Closing Date: 04 April 2022

Lecturer in Buddhism Studies  
University of Melbourne  
Application Closing Date: 05 April 2022

Associate Professor in Population Health  
Curtin University  
Application Closing Date: 05 April 2022  
Position Enquiries: rosa.alati@curtin.edu.au

**Germany**
Professorship of Environmental and Technological History  
University of Passau  
Application Closing Date: 21 April 2022  
Position Enquiries: dekanat@phil.uni-passau.de

**Hong Kong**
Director of Journalism and Media Studies Centre  
University of Hong Kong  
Application Closing Date: 30 April 2022

Senior Research Assistant  
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Application Closing Date: 31 March 2022

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Post-Doctoral Fellow in Elderly Mental Health  
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Associate Professor of Criminology
University of Southampton
Application Closing Date: 21 March 2022
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