Assemblage & Research Planning for Alternative Globalizations  
Chicago ISA Convention

The ISA–IPE section invites participants for a session on alternative globalizations to take place during the 2007 annual meeting in Chicago, Illinois. These session will commence at 10:30am to 12:15pm on Friday 02 March, 2007 and carry forward to lunch. The aim of the session is to encourage and develop a more comprehensive, multi-disciplinary and challenging understanding of alternative globalisations. The session will be facilitated by Robina Bhatti, Robin Broad, Barry Gills, Ruth Reitan and Hasmet Uluorta.

The purpose of the first half of this session is to provide a diverse grouping of researchers with the opportunity to meet, discuss and build networks of solidarity for research projects pertaining to alternative globalizations. Topics of research may include but are not limited to: the World Social Forum along with local, national and regional variants; NGOs; global social movements and protests; global civil society; cultural resistances; defense of the commons; social justice; the social economy; open source initiatives; labour rights and international financial institution reform.

As this networking meeting on alternative globalisations is the first to take place at an annual ISA convention, no papers are solicited nor will there be a panel discussion. Instead, researchers will be given an opportunity to meet one-on-one and/or in small groups to discuss their research. Facilitators will structure this meeting to ensure that participants have ample opportunity to meet and present their research projects to one another.

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The second portion of the meeting will be used to solicit, from participants, a comprehensive direction for future research on alternative globalizations. It also aims to develop a plan for ISA representation at forums such as the World Social Forum and to establish a permanent structure to aid researchers in these endeavours.

Participants are asked to provide a short (300 word max) summary of their research projects and/or interests as well as contact details to Hasmet Uluorta at hasmet@workingalternatives.net prior to 15 November 2006. Summaries will be published in booklet form and emailed to participants in advance of the ISA conference. This booklet, it is hoped, will act as a tool both before and after our gathering by informing participants of ongoing research and the names of key researchers who are currently involved in this area of inquiry.

If further clarification is required please contact Hasmet at hasmet@workingalternatives.net, Ruth Reitan at r.reitan@miami.edu or Barry Gills at b.k.gills@newcastle.ac.uk.

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**IPE Distinguished Scholar: Professor Sylvia Ostry**

It is with great pleasure that we announce that the IPE section Distinguished Scholar for 2006 will be Professor Sylvia Ostry, whose work on trade and international political economy has greatly deepened and influenced scholarship in the areas of trade analysis and beyond.

We hope you will all join us for the panel discussing her work and the reception afterwards on Friday 02 March at the 2007 ISA conference in Chicago.

Please visit Professor Ostry's website at: [http://www.utoronto.ca/cis/ostry/](http://www.utoronto.ca/cis/ostry/)
IPE World Social Forums Grant Announcement

The IPE section announces the first annual IPE World Social Forums grant competition. Five grants of $500.00USD each will be made available to scholars attending the Nairobi WSF in order to either present at a panel or to conduct other research oriented meetings.

Awarded on a competitive basis, these grants are intended to support the IPE Alternative Globalizations assemblage/forum initiative commencing at the 2007 ISA convention in Chicago, United States.

Applicants are invited to submit proposals to hasmet@workingalternatives.net with the subject heading - IPE WSF GRANT APPLICATION. A confirmation email will be sent within 48 hours. The deadline for receipt of applications is Wednesday November 15th (midnight—Pacific Standard Time). All submissions will be compiled and forwarded without any indication of authorship and reviewed by a panel of researchers.

Due to the number of anticipated applications only successful grant recipients will be notified. Notification of award will be by Friday December 08th 2006. For further information, please contact Hasmet Uluorta (hasmet@workingalternatives.net).

Paid Work Announcement

Queen’s University – The Development Studies programme invites applications from outstanding scholars for a tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level with expertise in culture and development, to begin July 1, 2007. We are interested in candidates with research and teaching interests in contemporary cultural production as an idiom of resistance and domination in countries in the South and/or North American aboriginal communities, with reference to local and global contexts. Thematic areas of specialization may include music, religion, mass and popular media, sport, performing and visual arts, social movements, food and cuisine, language and literature.

Candidates should have a demonstrated ability to establish and maintain a vigorous programme of research in one or more these thematic areas as well as excellence in teaching at an undergraduate level. Experience with graduate supervision and a commitment to building a graduate programme would also be an asset. Applicants can learn more about the Development Studies programme and current faculty research and teaching interests at http://www.queensu.ca/devs. Applicants must send hard copies of a curriculum vitae, a statement of research and teaching interests, and a writing sample, plus three confidential letters of reference, by November 24, 2006, to Dr. David McDonald, Director, Development Studies, Queen’s University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, K7L 3N6. Tel:613-533-6000 (x77210). Fax: 613-533-2986.
Email enquiries can be sent to devestu@post.queensu.ca.

The University invites applications from all qualified individuals. Queen’s is committed to employment equity and diversity in the workplace and welcomes applications from women, visible minorities, aboriginal people, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply; however, Canadian citizens and permanent residents will be given priority. Academic staff at Queen’s University are governed by a collective agreement between QUFA and the University, details of which are posted at http://www.qufa.ca. This position is subject to budgetary approval.

Please view the ISA website for other paid work announcements at http://www.isanet.org/employment.html

Need to make an announcement or comment for the IPE Newsletter?

Please forward your item(s) or idea(s) to:

hasmet@workingalternatives.net