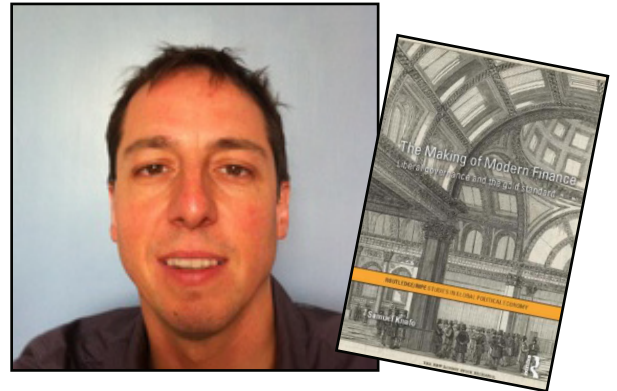


Sam Knafo is 2014 IPEG Book Prize winner

CGPE member Sam Knafo was awarded the prestigious and highly-competitive BISA IPEG 2014 prize for the best book published on IPE. The judges commended the agenda-setting nature of the book, not least because it takes on perhaps the iconic example of a supposedly free market in action – the era of classical liberalism and the Gold Standard in the 19th century. In particular, Knafo undermines IPE's hardwired assumptions about this period in history through a meticulous, well-organised empirical discussion and via an explicit conceptual disavowal of the notion that liberalism is chiefly concerned with the ideal type of the market. For these and other reasons, *'The Making of Modern Finance'* constitutes an important intervention into a wide range of debates that go beyond the empirical confines of the book – for example, contemporary discussions about neoliberalism, financial governance, and the state-market relationship in times of crisis. Furthermore, its systematic grounding in economic history demonstrates that Knafo is an excellent ambassador for IPE's claim to be an open, innovative and forward-looking discipline.



Other awards for CGPE

Rorden Wilkinson won the ***Society of Women in International Political Economy (SWIPE) Mentor Award*** earlier this year. He received this award for his extraordinary dedication to mentoring women in the field of IPE.

Julian Germann won the ***2013 New Political Economy Graduate Student Essay Prize*** for his article 'State-Led or Capital-Driven? The Fall of Bretton Woods and the German Currency Float Reconsidered'.

Changes at CGPE

Sussex GPE has been strengthened by the arrival of Prof. Rorden Wilkinson as Chair of IPE and Head of Department. Rorden works on trade, development and global governance www.rordenwilkinson.com

Prof. Peter Newell is taking on the role of Director of Research for the School of Global Studies and therefore stepping down from his 3 year tenure as CGPE director from September. Ben Selwyn will take over as director from January and Earl Gammon will help run the centre during the autumn.

Other Events and News

The CGPE Centre organised three Public Lectures last year. We hosted Prof. Leslie Sklair talking on **'The transnational capitalist class in theory and practice'** on 10th October; Prof. Leo Panitch presenting **'The Making of Global Capitalism'** on 6th November; and Prof. Sandra Halperin with **'Re-Envisioning Global Development'** on 4th December.



Peter Newell organised workshops at the Royal Society in London and OECD in Paris around an ESRC project on **'Climate Crunch'**.

Sam Knafo participated in the public debate **'Austerity and us'** in Brighton. The conference is organised under the Public Culture Research Hub and the CNN+ at the University of Sussex, along with a range of campaigning, advocacy and political organisations from the local community and nationally.

Kevin Gray and **Andreas Antoniadis** participated in the international seminar **'Beyond Global Governance: Furthering South-South Cooperation and the Role of BRICS'** held in Delhi, India on 25-26 September. The event was co-organised by the Council for Social Development (CSD), the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and the Research Network on Global Governance and the Emerging Global South (SouthGovNet) which Dr. Gray and Dr. Antoniadis are members. The seminar was attended by high-profile Indian scholars and helped to strengthen the SouthGovNet network partnership in India.

CGPE co-hosted seminars with the STEPs centre: **'The Turnaround Challenge'** by Mick Blowfield and Leo Johnson, and an event with the Sussex Africa Centre on **'Science, Innovation and Development'** from Kevin Urama from the African Technology Policy Studies Network.

CGPE members also organised numerous workshops and events- such as the launch of Ben Selwyn's new book **'The Global Development Crisis'** at the TUC in London.



Richard Lane presented a paper summarising his PhD work, entitled **'Resources For the Future, resources for growth'**, at the Asia-Pacific Network for Global Change Research (APN) symposium on Green growth and Global Environmental Change: Political Ideology, Political Economy and Policy Alternatives, held at the United Nations University for the Advanced Study of Sustainability (UNU-IAS) in Tokyo at the end of July.



Forthcoming events

Public Lecture

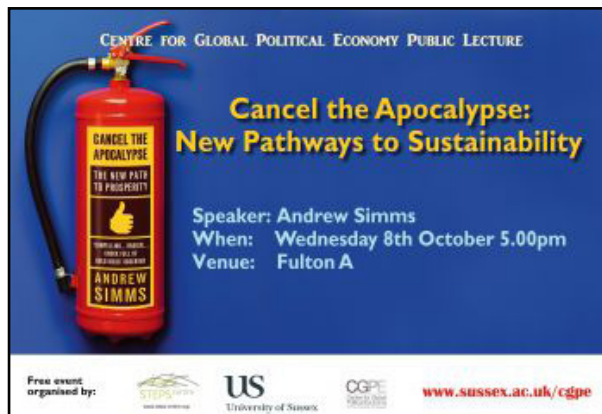
Andrew Simms of the New Economics Foundation

When: October 8th 5pm

Where: Fulton A

He will discuss his latest book '**Cancel the Apocalypse: New Pathways to Sustainability**'.

The event is co-hosted with IDS STEPs Centre.



Postgraduate Conference

'Critical Perspectives on Financialisation of Nature - Identifying new frontiers and contradictions'

This two-day intensive workshop brings together doctoral and early career researchers across Europe and elsewhere, to discuss, theorise and critically reflect on the ongoing and accelerating commodification, marketisation or financialisation of nature as well as its limits.

When: 19 - 20 March 2015

Call for Papers

Send abstracts of up to 300 words to FoNconference2015@sussex.ac.uk by December 5th 2014, successful applicants will be informed before December 31.

Registration is free and food will be provided. There will be funding for accommodation and travel for some doctoral researchers.

Visiting Fellows

Charlie Dannreuther joined CGPE as visiting fellow working on different aspects of European political economy. <http://www.polis.leeds.ac.uk/people/staff/dannreuther>

Julian Saurin, formerly of Sussex, will also be based at CGPE as an associate of the centre during the autumn term from Middle Eastern Technical University in Cyprus developing his work on environmental political economy. <http://ncc.metu.edu.tr/cv/91/JOCHAIM-JULIAN-SAURIN.html>

Adam Bumpus will also be joining CGPE as visiting fellow from University of Melbourne in the second half of 2015 to work with Peter Newell on some research on carbon markets. <http://www.findanexpert.unimelb.edu.au/display/person420406>

Grants and Collaborations

Peter Newell is co-investigator on an ESRC funded project on **The Rising Powers, Clean Development and the Low Carbon Transition in Sub-Saharan Africa**. He is also involved in two related projects on **The Climate Crunch** (funded by the ESRC) and one on **The Political Economy of Climate-Compatible Development** (supported by the Climate and Development Knowledge Network)

Rorden Wilkinson won the **Johan Skytte International Manuscript Workshop** award for his book **'What's wrong with the WTO and how to fix it'**. The workshop was held in November 2013.

Peter Newell is leading work under the Sussex STEPs Centre www.steps-centre.org on **'The Politics of Green Transformations'** including a forthcoming edited book on the subject with Ian Scoones and Melissa Leach. <http://www.routledge.com/books/details/9781138792906/>

Non-academic engagement

§ **Climate Change Politics.** Peter Newell was interviewed for Scotland's Hoylrood magazine on climate change politics. Full interview on: <http://www.holyrood.com/2014/06/feeling-the-heat/>

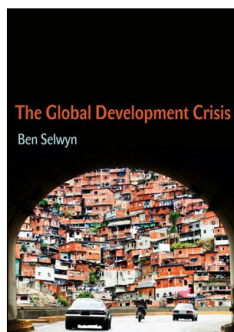
§ 'Red Pepper interview with **Leo Panitch** published about his book **The Making of Global Capitalism**. Panitch spoke to **Peter Newell** and **Sam Knafo** about what it means for strategy and action aimed at 'un-making' capitalism. <http://www.redpepper.org.uk/to-challenge-global-capitalism-we-must-first-understand-it-an-interview-with-leo-panitch/>

§ **Peter Newell's** opinion letter was published in the Guardian on the topic: **EU trade deal will overrule UK law**. To read comment visit: www.theguardian.com/world/2013/nov/05/eu-trade-deal-overrule-uk-law

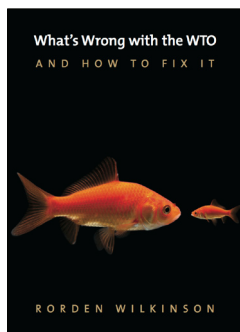
§ **Ben Selwyn** has published two articles in Le Monde Diplomatique: '**Piketty, Marx and the roots of inequality**' <http://mondediplo.com/blogs/piketty-marx-and-the-roots-of-inequality> and '**The working class does the job**' <http://mondediplo.com/2014/03/13development> He also published an article in Open Democracy '**Beyond elitism: towards labour-centred development**'. Click here to read full article: <https://www.opendemocracy.net/benjamin-selwyn/beyond-elitism-towards-labour-centred-development>

§ **Peter Newell** published an article in The European titled '**Pie in the Sky**' responding to environmental sceptic Bjorn Lomborg's critique of support for renewable energy. www.theeuropean-magazine.com/peter-newell/7642-the-flaws-of-geo-engineering

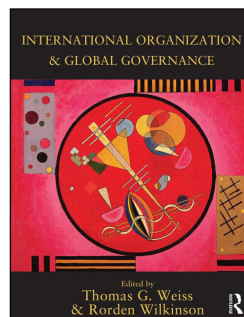
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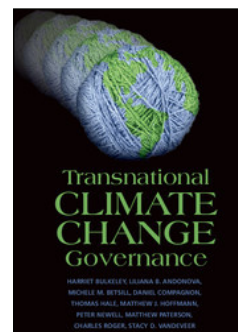
The Global Development Crisis, by Ben Selwyn (Polity, 2014)



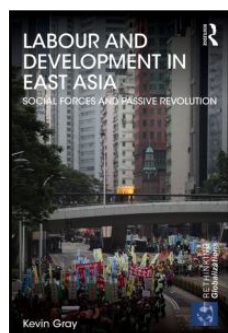
What's wrong with the WTO and how to fix it Rorden Wilkinson (Polity Books, 2014)



International Organization and Global Governance, Edited by Thomas G. Weiss and Rorden Wilkinson (Routledge, 2013)



Transnational Climate Change Governance, by Peter Newell, book co-authored with Harriet Bulkeley and several other authors (CUP, 2014)



Labour and Development in East Asia: Social Forces and Passive Revolution (Rethinking Globalizations), by Kevin Gray (Routledge, 2014)

Journal Papers

Baker, Lucy; Newell, Peter & Phillips, Jon (2014) **'The Political Economy of Energy Transitions: The Case of South Africa'**, *New Political Economy*.

Dooley, Neil (2014) **'Growing Pains? Rethinking the 'immaturity' of the European periphery'**, *Millennium Journal of International Studies*, 42(3).

Germann, Julian (2014) **'State-Led or Capital-Driven? The Fall of Bretton Woods and the German Currency Float Reconsidered'**, *New Political Economy*, 19 (5): 769-789.

Jenkins, Rhys and Newell, Peter (2013) **'CSR, tax and development'**, *Third World Quarterly*, 33(3): 378-396.

Knafo, Sam (2013) **'Financial crises and the political economy of speculative bubbles'**, *Critical Sociology*, 39(6): 1-17.

Montesinos Coleman, Lara (2013) **'The making of docile dissent: neoliberalisation and resistance in Colombia and beyond'**, *International Political Sociology*, 7(2).

Selwyn, Ben (2013) **'The global retail revolution, fruiticulture and economic development in north-east Brazil'**, *Review of International Political Economy*, 20(1): 153-179

Thompson, Frances (2014) **'Why we need the concept of land-grab-induced displacement'**, *Journal of Internal Displacement*, 4 (2): 43-65.

Wilkinson, Rorden; Hannah, Erin and Scott, James (2014) **'The WTO in Bali: what MC9 means for the Doha Development Agenda and why it matters'**, *Third World Quarterly*, 35(6).

Wilkinson, Rorden and Weiss, Thomas (2014) **'Rethinking Global Governance? Complexity, Authority, Power and Change'**, *International Studies Quarterly*, 58(2): 207-215.

Wilkinson, Rorden and Weiss, Thomas (2014) **'Global Governance to the Rescue: Saving International Relations?'**, *Global Governance*, 20(1):19-36.

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