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About the CSSR

The Centre for Social Science Research (CSSR) is an interdisciplinary research centre at the University of Cape Town dedicated to conducting and building capacity for systematic, policy-relevant social science research

Most of the CSSR's work is done through one or other of our four research units: the Sustainable Societies Research Unit (SSU, headed by Associate Professor Beatrice Conradie), the Democracy in Africa Research Unit (DARU, headed by Professor Bob Mattes), the AIDS and Society Research Unit (ASRU, headed by Dr Rebecca Hodes) and the Family and Society Research Unit (FaSRU, headed by Dr Elena Moore). We also have one major project (Legislating and Implementing Welfare Policy Reforms, headed by Professor Jeremy Seekings) and some smaller research projects. Associate Professor Rajen Govender holds a joint CSSR-departmental teaching post, and Alecia Ndlovu was appointed to a second joint post during 2015. The CSSR is governed by a Management Committee, which in 2015 comprised all of the above individuals, together with Prof Nicoli Nattrass. Bob Mattes took over from Jeremy Seekings as Director in mid-2015.

The CSSR Director reports to the Dean of Humanities and an Advisory Board that meets once per year. In 2015 the Advisory Board was chaired by the Dean of the Humanities Faculty, Professor Sakhela Buhlungu, and included also Professors Bernhard Weiss (Deputy Dean of Research), Anthony Butler (Political Studies), Martin Wittenberg (Economics and DataFirst), Owen Crankshaw (Sociology), Colin Tredoux (Psychology), Ingrid Woolard (Economics and SALDRU) and Elrena van der Spuy (Criminology), as well as, *ex officio*, the members of the CSSR Management Committee.

Methodologically, CSSR research is empirical, but problem-driven. While we utilise both quantitative and qualitative strategies of data collection, our objective is to conduct research entailing systematic research designs with clear conceptualisation of variables and transparent rules for operationalising variables, selecting cases, and collecting and analysing data analysis (in contrast to ad hoc fact collection or narrative description). We attach particular importance to bridging disciplines and methods.

CSSR projects are usually team-oriented, bringing together local and international researchers, and offering post-graduate students opportunities for hands-on training by involving them in all stages of projects. Research findings are presented and discussed at regular weekly seminars and published as CSSR Working Papers.

The CSSR central administration comprises Marius Coqui (Operations Manager), Dumi Hlwele, Thobani Ncapai, Liz Welsh, Sarah Walters and Amy Kennedy. Liz retired at the end of the year, and Amy handed over responsibility for our publications to Mikhail Moosa.

The CSSR works closely with UCT's DataFirst Resource Unit, which was founded as part of the CSSR before becoming a university facility. DataFirst facilitates access to an extensive digital archive of social science datasets.



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355	J. Seekings	Continuity and Change in the South African Class Structure Since the End of Apartheid
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From left: Drs Schollar, Schenk, Ssebagala; Profs Seekings, Nattrass; Dr Nwosu.

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Top: Simelela and Toska (ASRU) at the SA AIDS Conference

Middle: "Rhodes Musts Fall" Protests at UCT in early 2015

Bottom: Nicoli and Rebecca attending a "Rhodes Must Fall" Rally

Director's report

Research institutions must be dynamic if they are to be innovative and effective. Dynamism requires the influx of new ideas and energies. The CSSR is currently benefitting from the efforts of a set of younger and dynamic researchers heading three of its constituent research units and strengthening the CSSR's links to teaching departments.

The new Families and Society Research Unit (FaSRU), headed by Elena Moore, was launched at a conference in March, attended by several top international scholars. Elena's first book – co-authored with Chuma Himonga in UCT's Law Faculty – was published soon after (see page 4). Rebecca Hodes has energetically taken over the reins of the AIDS and Society Research Unit (ASRU, see pages 5-6). In partnership with scholars from Oxford and elsewhere, Rebecca and ASRU have been running the pioneering Mzantsi Wakho project on HIV adherence among teenagers in the Eastern Cape. In addition, Rebecca continues to work on other aspects of the history of medicine and science, and co-edited a special issue of the *Journal of Southern African Studies*. Beatrice Conradie heads the Sustainable Societies Unit (SSU), conducting diverse research on economic, social and environmental sustainability. The SSU's flagship programme is the Karoo Predator Project (see page 10-11).

The CSSR continues to have a dual function, strengthening teaching as well as research in social science. Rajen Govender's appointment – funded hitherto through an award from the UCT Vice-Chancellor's Strategic Fund – was finally confirmed as a permanent position, based in the Sociology Department.

The second position funded by the Vice-Chancellor's Strategic Fund was vacant for most of the year, but we are delighted that Alecia Ndlovu (pictured here) was appointed and took up the position in January 2016. Alecia is currently completing her PhD on institutions and development in four African countries.



CSSR-based researchers published two books, five book chapters and twenty-five articles in scholarly journals (see pages 12-13). The second book published in 2015 was *Policy, Politics and Poverty in South Africa*, by Jeremy Seekings and Nicoli Nattrass. Our annual Summer School took place in November/December despite disruptions (see page 8).



The dynamism in the CSSR became apparent late in the year when CSSR researchers were centrally involved in two initiatives to establish new research institutes. Bob Mattes spearheaded a proposal to establish a new research institute for the study of democracy, citizenship and public policy in Africa. This will build on some of the strengths of the CSSR and of researchers and research groups elsewhere at UCT. Nicoli Nattrass and Beatrice Conradie were also participants in an initiative headed by zoologist Justin O'Riain to establish a new research institute for the study of human-wildlife conflict. The establishment of these new research institutes in 2016-17 has important implications for the configuration of the CSSR.

A good number of students with links to the CSSR graduated or completed their theses. Eric Schollar completed his PhD on mathematics teaching and outcomes in South African primary schools. Ralph Ssebagala's PhD was on household debt in South Africa. Jan Schenk's PhD thesis involved a comparison of popular culture and identity among adolescents in Cape Town and the Brazilian city of Belo Horizonte. Chijioke Nwosu's PhD examined the relationship between health and labour market participation. In addition, Kezia Lilenstein graduated with distinction, after completing her Masters degree. Her dissertation examined reservation wages among young people in Cape Town. Nicole Daniels, Sam Telzak, Sam Hamer and Rayner Teo also got distinctions for their dissertations for their Masters-by-research degrees, on homebirths, migration and economic attitudes, social protection in Botswana and Malawi, and community protests in Cape Town.

Bob Mattes & Jeremy Seekings

Families and Societies Research Unit (FaSRU)

Launch and Symposium

FaSRU was launched in March with a two-day symposium on 'Families and the State: National, International and Transnational Perspectives.' The keynote speaker was Prof. Lynn Jamieson, an internationally renowned scholar on intimacy and personal relationships. Other speakers and guests included Dori Posel, Annika Classens, Valentina Mazzucato and Debbie Budlender. The symposium included papers from academics, postgraduate students and policy makers in the areas of customary marriage, child policy and transnational families.

Customary Marriage Book and Launch

Reform of Customary Marriage, Divorce and Succession in South Africa: Living Customary Law and Social Realities, by Chuma Himonga and Elena Moore (FaSRU Director), was launched in November. The speaker at the launch was Justice Kate O'Regan. The book examines the operation of the Recognition of Customary Marriages Act and the rules of succession. Elena's article 'Forms of Femininity at the End of a Customary Marriage' was published in *Gender & Society*, one of the most highly-cited journals in Women's Studies and Sociology. The authors also produced a shortened booklet which outlines the findings (available from the Juta website), and disseminated their findings through meetings with stakeholders including the National House of Traditional Leaders, the Department of Justice, and the Sonke Gender Institute.



Above, at the book launch: Kate O'Regan, Chuma Himonga, Linda van de Vijver (Juta) and Elena Moore.

Projects

FaSRU has three main research projects. The Transnational Child Raising Arrangements project, involving Jeremy Seekings, Elena Moore and post-doctoral researcher Stanford Mahati, examines child-rearing arrangements among transnational migrants in South Africa. This is a collaborative project with scholars at the University of Maastricht in the Netherlands. The Sharing Resources in Intergenerational Households project examines how financial and practical support is received and shared a range of households, including female headed households, rural households and same-sex households. The project involves two PhD students and two Master students, working with Elena. The Marital Disputes and Family Meetings project examines the roles of kin in resolving marital disputes. More specifically the research focuses on the personal perspective, motivation and desire of the individual bringing a marital dispute to the attention of kin members, and on how the choices and decisions made by spouses are shaped and structured by kin members at family meetings.

Ten postgraduate students work in FaSRU on topics including same-sex marriage, lesbian motherhood, families on the street and comparative family policy in Southern Africa. Nicole Daniels was awarded a distinction for her thesis on homebirths (see Working Paper 354). Nicole will be continuing her research as a PhD student in 2016. The Unit ran monthly seminars for the postgraduate students.



Above: FaSRU researchers (from left) Jenny Lee, Martha Kavhai, Lwando Scott, Kirsty Button, Nonzuzo Mbokazi, Elena Moore, Isaac Chinyoka and Nicole Daniels.

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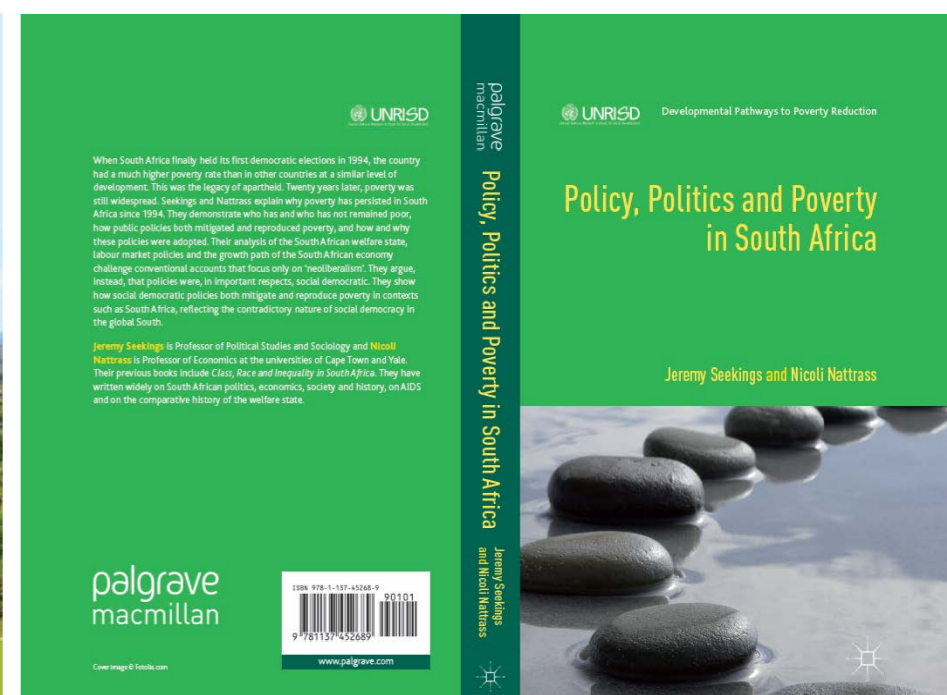
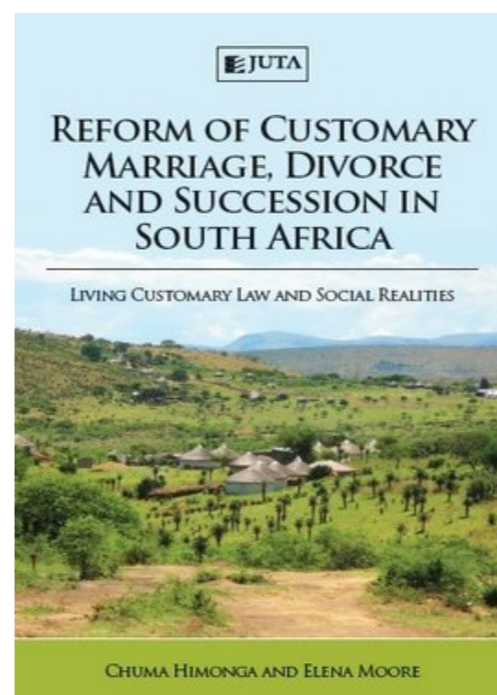
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Workshops and seminars

17 February	Armando Barrientos (Manchester, UK)	<u>The Political Economy of Social Protection in Latin America</u>
24 February	Jeremy Seekings	<u>The Social Consequences of Class Formation among Black South Africans in the 2000s: Evidence from the South African Reconciliation Barometer</u>
3 March	Caroline Kuo (Brown, USA)	<u>A Resilience Focused Family Intervention Addressing Intersections of HIV Risk and Poor Mental Health</u>
10 March	Brian Levy (GSDP, UCT)	<u>Working with the Grain: Integrating Governance and Growth in Development Strategies</u>
17 March	Nic Cheeseman (Oxford, UK)	<u>Does the African Middle Class Defend Democracy? Evidence from Kenya</u>
24 March	Rebecca Hodes (CSSR) and Elona Toska (Oxford)	<u>Sex and Secrecy: The Role of Disclosure in the Sexual Health Practices of HIV-positive Adolescents</u>
26-27 March	Workshop	<u>Families and the State: National, International and Transnational Perspectives</u>
7 April	Robert Mattes	<u>The Double Misperception? Public Expectations and MP Orientations to Legislative Roles in Africa.</u>
14 April	Lesley Gittings	<u>Men, Masculinity and HIV Care Work in Cape Town</u>
21 April	Eduard Grebe	<u>Technocrats, Elections and Social Protection in Ghana.</u>
28 April	Nicolli Natrass & Danielle Pagado	<u>Interrogating Health Coverage in Africa</u>
5 May	Rayner Teo	<u>The Land Occupation as a Tactic: Community Organisation and Contentious Politics in the Marikana Informal Settlement, Cape Town</u>
12 May	Leah Mundell	<u>Migrant Organising and Civic Agency in Cape Town</u>
2 June	Lena Opfermann	<u>Without state nor status - exploring undocumented migrant children's experiences in Cape Town</u>
	Workshop	<u>The Politics of Social Protection in Africa</u>
9 June	Halfdan Lynge-Manguiera (Oxford, UK)	<u>Constraints, Competition and Competitiveness: Explaining the Non-Linear Effect of Democratization on Political Budget Cycles</u>
21 July	Whitney Laster-Pirtle (University of California, Merced, USA)	<u>Perceived relative deprivation among 'coloured' South Africans</u>
4 August	Jeremy Seekings	<u>Policy diffusion and the enduring distinctiveness of African welfare regimes</u>
18 August	Robert Mattes	<u>Change and continuity in the South African electorate: Initial results of the 2014 South African election study.</u>
25 August	Nicole Daniels	<u>Gender and Homebirth: A relational, heterosexual couples perspective</u>
8 September	Jamy Felton	<u>South African's Evaluations of Presidential Performance</u>
16 September	Christian Welze (Leuphana University of Lüneburg)	<u>A book presentation: Freedom Rising</u>
22 September	Andrew Faull (Criminology, UCT)	<u>Personal identity, performance and deceit in the South African Police Service</u>
6 October	Sohyeon Kim	<u>Can Donors Build Social Capital? Civil Society Assistance and Civic Engagement in sub-Saharan Africa</u>
13 October	Matthijs Bogaards (Van Zyl Slabbert Visiting Professor, UCT)	<u>The democratizing force of multi-party elections: it does not work in Africa, does it work in Asia?</u>
10 November	Gabriella Sacramone-Lutz (Columbia, USA)	<u>The Effect of Public Opinion on Legislator Behavior: Evidence from the Ugandan Parliament</u>
17 November	Robin Smail	<u>Poverty is a behaviour: An evaluation of Life History theory in Cape Town</u>

AIDS and Society Research Unit (ASRU)

ASRU is the home of the Mzantsi Wakho study, now the largest known mixed-methods, community-based study on anti-retroviral treatment (ART) adherence and sexual health among adolescents in the world. The Mzantsi Wakho panel includes more than one thousand HIV-positive teenagers and almost 500 participants whose HIV-status is unknown, recruited through the community not through clinics to eliminate possible bias towards adherent teens. In late 2015 the project moved into its second phase. A follow-up questionnaire was designed and piloted, using the participatory technology of Audio Computer-Assisted Self-Interview questions.



Qualitative research explored a series of topics related to HIV and sexual and reproductive health, including: (i) ART defaulting, especially among pregnant teens, (ii) traditional circumcision preparedness among HIV-positive teenage boys, (iii) the social reception of the sub-dermal contraceptive implant, (iv) termination of pregnancy, (v) disabilities and adherence to chronic medicines, (vi) social grants and their relation to risk and resilience behaviours, and (vii) local actors and interventions working in HIV prevention. The research team logged more than 1,000 hours of direct observation in teenagers' homes, public spaces and healthcare facilities.

Growing research capacity

Mzantsi Wakho, as a project, is committed to the transformation of the knowledge economy in South Africa. We support and supervise a growing number of undergraduate and graduate students. All staff participate in professional development, capacity-building and skills transferal programmes.

One undergraduate student (Mildred Thabeng), one Master's student (Lesley Gittings) and four PhD students (Nonzuzo Mbokazi, Marija Pantelic, Elona Toska and Beth Vale) were supported by Mzantsi Wakho in 2015.



Above: Amanda Mbiko, Rebecca Hodes and Chunyiswa Kama on their way to Bhisho Hospital, Eastern Cape, to interview a nurse about contraceptive practices among HIV-positive teenagers as part of the qualitative skills

Below: Rebecca presenting at 2015 Southern African AIDS Conference

Research into policy

At the request of UNFPA and the South African National Department of Health we co-authored a new Adolescent and Youth Health Policy, submitted in December.

Dissemination

Our 2015 conference schedule included plenaries, oral abstract presentations, workshops, symposia and poster presentations at the Southern African AIDS Conference, the Association for HIV in the Social Sciences and Humanities Conference, the International AIDS Society Conference and the International Conference on HIV and STIs in Africa. Our research team conducted dozens of dissemination sessions with partners in the Eastern Cape, including at Bhisho and Frere Hospitals, and at Empulweni Gompo and Duncan Village Day Hospital. In



September 2015, we co-hosted a Youth Summit with research partners at UCT, bringing together sixteen adolescents from across South Africa to discuss youth health and well-being.

Rebecca Hodes (ASRU Director) presented findings from her medical historical research at the Southern African Historical Association conference, and was the chair of the ‘Social Science, Economics and Human Rights’ tracks at the Southern African AIDS Conference in Durban in June.

Ethics

Work of this nature presents an extraordinary ethical challenge: to gather data while ensuring that needs of participants are the first priority in every research encounter. At times, the confidentiality of teenagers has clashed with the imperatives to report abuse or assault, and to connect teenagers with urgent healthcare services (such as post-exposure prophylaxis for rape survivors). We continue to grapple with the ethical challenges that arise through this research, including through establishing a dedicated team to support research participants who are experiencing violence, deprivation and other harms.

Further funding

Rebecca Hodes, Elona Toska and Lucie Cluver were awarded a three-year grant by the Regional Research and Innovation for a study of helping HIV-positive adolescents to reduce transmission in Southern and Eastern Africa. Rebecca and Lucie were awarded a grant by the UNFPA



Mzantsi Wakho researchers Marija Pantelic and Bongwiwe Luke (left and right) with manager Mavis Nobuhle (centre) in the East London office, reviewing the follow-up questionnaire. In the background are participant packs, a thermometer capturing escalating interview numbers, a mnemonic for helping researchers to memorise how to introduce the study to teenage mothers, and emergency phone numbers for staff (April, 2015).

to review and rewrite the National Adolescent and Youth Health Policy. Rebecca and Craig Carty were awarded a grant by UNICEF to develop and pilot a mobile application that allows HIV-positive adolescents to report symptoms, describe their social context and receive vital healthcare information directly on inexpensive smartphones. Lesley Gittings, Elona and Rebecca were awarded a grant by the Regional Inter-agency Task Team on Children and AIDS in Eastern and Southern Africa to conduct a review of interventions to reduce sexual risk-taking among HIV-positive adolescents.

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Triangulation ain't easy. A list of 'banned words' written by the qualitative and quantitative teams. This was developed in the lead-up to a presentation on Mzantsi Wakho to the Vice-Chancellors of the Universities of Cape Town and Oxford, with a focus on mixed-methods research (Cape Town, February 2015)

Nicoli Nattrass visited more clothing factories and Liang Xu began an in-depth study of Chinese and Taiwanese factories in Newcastle. Jeremy Seekings and Nicoli Nattrass published a book (*Policy, Politics and Poverty in South Africa*) and contributed to the broader public debate on minimum wages.

Sam Telzak got a distinction for his Masters (by research) dissertation on migration and attitudes towards inequality and opportunity. Kezia Lilenstein graduated with distinction with a dissertation on reservation wages among young people in Cape Town.



Top Left: Roquefort, the last baboon collared by Marion, just before waking up from the sedation and before his release.
 Centre Left: October: All the radio collars are off; Kai recording the location of the collar worn by Eskimo, an old male jackal who we tracked going walk-about on farmland before returning safely to Anysberg.
 Right: Gustav Lund, a farmer from outside Beaufort West who has been an important collaborator in the Karoo Predator Project, posing with (a sedated) 'Jumbo', the final caracal collared for the project.
 Base: Sheep trek, June 2015: SSU Director Beatrice Conradie (second left) and Jeremy Seekings (centre) assisting with herding sheep.

Sustainable Societies Unit (SSU)

The Karoo Predator Project had a good year: The capture (and fitting with radio collars) of caracals and jackals was completed, their movements were monitored by satellite, their scat was collected and analysed in a lab, and their collars dropped off by an electronic signal. Well done to PhD student Marine Drouilly and her field technician Kai Fitchen! Marine also provided post-doc Marion Tafani with information about baboon predation of lambs. Marion subsequently captured and collared some baboons to learn more about their movements across the landscape.

Marine Drouilly participated in the 27th International Congress for Conservation Biology in Montpellier, France (July) and presented preliminary findings at the Arid Zone Ecology Forum in October. She and Kai provided monthly updates about the project:

<https://karoopredatorproject.wordpress.com>.

French photographers Nathalie Houdin and Denis Palanque, have been documenting the project. See:

<https://www.facebook.com/AuCoeurduKaroo>.

They presented this at the International Festival of Nature and Wildlife Photography in Montier-en-Der, France in November.



SSU director Beatrice Conradie co-supervised Marine's PhD (with Justin O'Riain and Nicoli Nattrass) and completed a third 'wave' of interviews with farmers about productivity and predation. This unique data set has already served as the basis for several published articles. A highlight of the year was going on a 'sheep trek' with Frans Hattingh, one of the few remaining farmers who treks his sheep across the district each year in search of the best grazing.

Other projects in the SSU include work on urban agriculture (Martin Dyer and Richard Mills, both third year students, published a paper with Beatrice Conradie on agriculture in Khayelitsha – well done Martin and Richard) and the clothing industry.

Left: Kai and Marine taking measurements during the capture of a black-backed jackal in the Anysberg Nature Reserve.

Below: The KPP at the 2015 International Festival of Nature and Wildlife Photography in Montier-en-Der, France



Democracy in Africa Research Unit (DARU)

Afrobarometer

Afrobarometer is an African led network of social science researchers and activists, and has interviewed almost 250,000 African citizens across the continent, representing 75 percent of the continent's population (www.afrobarometer.org).



DARU is a support unit within the Afrobarometer Network with particular responsibilities for capacity building, data management, sampling and fieldwork.

DARU's Francis Kibirige and Boniface Dulani are the Network managers of sampling and fieldwork, and are based in Uganda and Malawi, respectively. Network data management is handled by a team based in DARU, led by Carmen Alpen Lardies, with support from Jamy Felton and Thomas Isbell. All of these people played crucial roles in ensuring that by the end of 2015, Afrobarometer completed an unprecedented 6th round of public opinion surveys conducted in 36 countries across the continent.

Several DARU researchers used data from this project throughout the year as they pushed their Masters theses toward conclusion, including Matthias Krönke who received a distinction for his thesis that compared attitudes toward immigration and foreigners in Germany and South Africa. Matthias also published an Afrobarometer *Dispatch* on xenophobia in South Africa. Boniface Dulani also published a *Dispatch* on Africans' support for presidential term limits, and Francis Kibirige co-authored a *Briefing Paper* on Ugandans' views of the direction of their country. Bob Mattes also used several rounds of results to publish a paper in the *Journal of International Development* that asked whether South

Africa's emerging black middle class was a "Harbinger of Change".

Afrobarometer and the CSSR combine to run a Summer School every year (see report on next page). In order to increase the number of actual Afrobarometer publications emanating out of Summer School, we also awarded writing fellowships to the authors of the eight most promising papers from the previous year's Summer School, and brought them to UCT in October for an intensive one-week writing sabbatical.

Global Barometer Surveys

Afrobarometer is part of a larger global consortium of regional Barometer projects (including Latinobarometro, South Asian Barometer, East Asia Barometer, Eurasia Barometer, and Arab Barometer) designed to facilitate cross-continental research on public opinion on democracy (see www.globalbarometer.net). By supporting a conference and follow up workshops, DARU helped to produce the second book emanating from this project, edited by David Denemark, Bob Mattes and Richard Niemi, and entitled *Growing Up Democratic; Does It Make A Difference?* This was completed in 2015 and accepted for publication by Lynne Rienner Press.

African Legislatures Project

Over the past six years, the African Legislatures Project (ALP) has collected data on the structure and dynamics of seventeen African parliaments through surveys of representative samples of MPs, in-depth interviews with legislative officers, observation of committee activity, and a bill-tracker of actual legislation. We also placed special questions on Afrobarometer to gauge popular attitudes to the duties of legislators. In 2015, DARU researchers Halfdan Lynge-Mangueira and Shana Warren, with the assistance of Sohyeon Kim, finalized the process of producing a merged datasets for analysis. Co-principal investigators Shaheen Mozaffar and Bob Mattes produced the first peer reviewed journal article based on this data, which was accepted by *African Studies Review*.

Election Studies

Over the past decade, DARU has run the South African National Election Study (SANES). Comprising longitudinal series of post-election SANES has, since 2004, participated in the larger cross national Comparative National Elections Project, run out of Ohio State University, and since 2009, as also part of the Comparative Study of Electoral Systems, run out of the University of Michigan. With the questionnaire focussing on voter's evaluations of the parties and candidates, as well as their experience of and involvement in the actual election campaign, DARU carried out a study in January 2015 of voter behaviour in the 2014 national elections.

The questionnaire was designed by Bob Mattes, Collette Schulz Herzenberg and Jeremy Seekings, and was added to previous studies of the 2004 and 2009 elections (as well as similar surveys in Mozambique in 2004 and Kenya in 2013).

Routledge also published in 2015 the most recent volume on the Comparative National Elections Project, entitled *Voting In Old and New Democracies*, the chapters of which were read at earlier conferences hosted by DARU, and based on a merged cross-national data set produced at DARU by RA Jacqueline Borel-Saladin



Celebrating the Summer School (from left): Dr Winnie Mitullah, Bob Mattes, participants with Liz Welsh, Dr Boniface Dulani.

Afrobarometer/CSSR Summer School

In November/December DARU and CSSR hosted the 8th annual UCT-Afrobarometer Summer School. The Summer School serves to build capacity within the Afrobarometer research network as well as among postgraduate students and other junior researchers from UCT and elsewhere.

The 2015 Summer School was attended by participants from seventeen African countries: Ghana, Nigeria, Burundi, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Ivory Coast, Senegal, Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Namibia, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Sudan, as well as South Africa.

The Summer School is based on an internationally unique approach that combines both courses on basic and intermediate social statistics and survey and comparative research design, with substantive modules

on topics related to areas of Afrobarometer research. The pace is intensive; the substantive and methods courses run for three weeks; and during the fourth week, participants concentrate on preparing a research paper, which they present on the final day. In 2015, courses on basic and intermediate statistics, voting behavior, governance and accountability, electoral violence, and political institutions were taught by a mix of scholars from the CSSR (Rajen Govender, Bob Mattes) and elsewhere (E. Gyimah-Boadi, Bruno Cautres, Matthijs Bogaards and Stephanie Burchard). CSSR post-graduate students Sohhyeon Kim, Matthias Krönke and Kemal Kewku assisted with tutorial support.

Legislating and Implementing Welfare Policy Reforms (LIWPR)

LIWPR is a multi-year research project funded by the UK's Department for International Development and Economic and Social Research Council through their Joint Fund for Poverty Alleviation. The immediate goal of LIWPR has been to produce a substantial set of working papers documenting the politics of social protection in fourteen African countries. As of the end of 2015 we have published thirteen and a further fifteen are being finalized for publication in 2016. We anticipate a further twenty or more working papers by the end of 2016. Most of these papers are case-studies of either specific countries (e.g. Ghana), or specific governments (e.g. the 2009-2013 coalition government in Zimbabwe) or even more specific topics (e.g. the politics of social protection and the 2016 election in Uganda). A small number of the working papers are thematic, synthesizing findings from case-studies. The research team met on a weekly basis in Cape Town, for much of the year, to discuss fieldwork and work-in-progress.

We held a third annual workshop on the Politics of Social Protection in Africa at UCT in June. LIWPR researchers also presented papers at seminars or conferences in Cape Town, Pretoria, Johannesburg, Bath (UK), Mauritius, Windhoek (Namibia), Yale (USA), and Milan (Italy).

So far we have identified four major findings. First, we have substantiated our initial hypothesis that (Anglophone) Africa is distinctive not so much in terms of its limited social insurance but in terms of its unusually extensive social assistance programmes (defined as inclusive of public employment programmes and some categories of food aid). Secondly, we have found that the power of donors and international agencies is much more limited than is generally imagined. Our case-studies suggest that their power has generally involved the initiation of pilot programmes and the drafting of bold national statements about social protection policy, and has rarely extended to substantial scaling-up of programmes. Our third major finding concerns the importance of ideology and culture. The choices made by governments and other actors reflect widely-held beliefs about who is deserving of government assistance, and how. This leads to our fourth substantive finding, on the conditions under which elections have played an important role in driving policy reform.

FOURTEEN RESEARCHERS CONDUCTED RESEARCH FOR LIWPR DURING 2015:

- UGANDA (PAUL BUKULEKI),
- ZAMBIA (HANGALA SIACHIWENA),
- KENYA (MIA GRANVIK),
- MAURITIUS (JEREMY SEEKINGS)
- MALAWI (SAM HAMER)
- ZIMBABWE (ISAAC CHINYOKA)
- BOTSWANA (SAM HAMER, ISAAC CHINYOKA, JEREMY SEEKINGS)
- MOZAMBIQUE (FRANCISCO DIEZ)
- NAMIBIA (CLAUDIA AND DIRK HAARMANN, ISAAC CHINYOKA, HANGALA SIACHIWENA)
- SOUTH AFRICA (GABBY KELLY, RENEE ROUX, JEREMY SEEKINGS)
- TANZANIA (MARIANNE ULRIKSEN)
- PUBLIC HEALTH (NICOLI NATTRASS)



Above Right: Botswana BDP election rally
Centre: Gabby Kelly, seminar at Yale, December 2015
Bottom left: Isaac Chinyoka (Left) with former SA pres K. Motlanthe