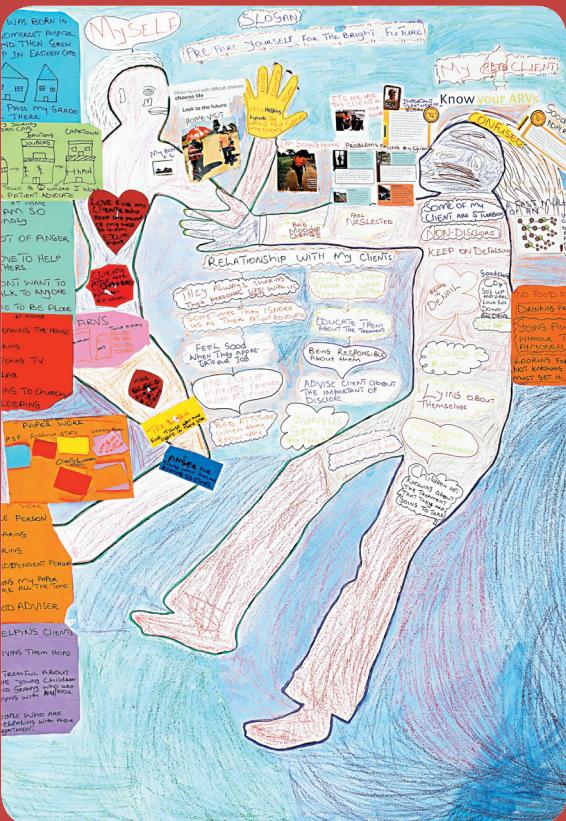


CSSR

Annual Report 2011



“Promoting evidence-based research and public policy”



The Centre for Social Science Research

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 in South Africa, the region, and across Africa.

Methodologically, CSSR research is empirical, but problem-driven. While we utilise both quantitative and qualitative strategies of data collection, our work is based on 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). After a reasonable period, collected data are turned into public access data sets and deposited with the DataFirst Resource Centre.

CSSR projects are usually team-oriented, bringing together multiple local and international researchers, and offering post-graduate students significant 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.

CSSR Directorate

The CSSR Directorate is the administrative hub for the units making up the CSSR. It manages the finances, edits and produces working papers, organises meetings, and provides an organisational focal point for the CSSR. During 2011, Jeremy Seekings was the CSSR Director. The administrative team is composed of Kathy Forbes (Administrative Officer), Libbi Downes (Finance Officer), Marius Coqui (Assistant Finance Officer), Ncedeka Mbune (Reception and Administration), and Jessica King (Publications Editor).

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Photographs:

Cover (clockwise from top left): Participants at an MMCP workshop in the CSSR; Elena Moore organizing fieldwork for the Super-Diversity Survey, Eldorado Park, Johannesburg; Participants at the ALP Zimbabwe introductory workshop; One of the finished bodymaps from the ASRU/Kheth'Impilo bodymapping project.

Left: The admin team (from left to right); Ncedeka Mbune, Marius Coqui, Kathy Forbes, and Libbi Downes.

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Director's Report

Professor Jeremy Seekings



This year marked the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the CSSR, and provided an opportunity for us to reflect on what has changed – and what has not changed – in these ten years. The reports on the constituent units within the CSSR reveal continuing achievements in terms of graduate training, the collection of new data, the publication and dissemination of research, engagement with public policy-making, and outreach programmes. Yet we are also aware that the culture and practice of teaching and research in systematic social science at UCT has changed completely. Skills in quantitative data analysis remain scarce outside of economics, and until this year the work of the CSSR has relied heavily on its three remaining founding members (Nicoli Nattrass, Robert Mattes and Jeremy Seekings).

The expansion of the CSSR

Probably the most striking and important change to the CSSR during 2011 was the appointment of new personnel, with funding from the UCT Vice-Chancellor's Fund and our existing grant from the Mellon Foundation. Dr Pedro Wolf took up a joint appointment between the CSSR and the Psychology Department earlier this year. Associate Professor Rajen Govender took up a half-time appointment in the CSSR and Sociology Department on the 1st July. Dr Elena Moore was appointed as a Junior Research Fellow in the CSSR, with close ties to the Sociology Department. Drs Wolf and Govender teach graduate courses in quantitative social science in the Psychology, Political Studies and Sociology departments, and in the short extra-curricular courses that the CSSR is offering. They also advise students and researchers on research design and data analysis. These appointments have substantially enhanced the capacity of the CSSR to work with teaching departments in preparing and guiding students and junior researchers in systematic, social scientific research, and to conduct innovative and critical research using diverse methodologies. Dr Moore managed a survey on diversity in Johannesburg and Cape Town (for which the CSSR provided support to Professor Crankshaw in Sociology, and the Max Planck Institute), and assisted with teaching and supervising students in Sociology.

In addition, the CSSR is working with UCT's DataFirst (originally part of the CSSR) in expanding dedicated support in the analysis of survey data for postgraduate students and researchers in the Social Sciences. DataFirst appointed CSSR-based PhD student and researcher Eduard Grebe to a part-time position, physically located in the CSSR. Ed's responsibilities include promoting the analysis of survey data available through DataFirst, including supporting students who are doing this. Although DataFirst physically relocated (with the School of Economics) to UCT's middle campus, online access to datasets plus the presence of Ed in the CSSR means that the resources of DataFirst continue to be available to students on UCT's upper campus. Ed also oversees the CSSR's website (www.cssr.uct.ac.za), which he re-designed.

Management and administration

I succeeded Mike Morris as Director of the CSSR in February. My appointment is for a period of three and a half years, until August 2014. Bob Mattes kindly served as Acting Director whilst I was in the USA for three and a half months late in the year. We are all very grateful to Mike and Bob for their sterling contributions to running the CSSR.

Earlier this year, the Management Committee was expanded to include Drs Elena Moore, Beatrice Conradie, Rebecca Hodes, Pedro Wolf and Rajen Govender, in addition to Professors Mattes, Morris, Nattrass and myself. We are grateful to all of these scholars for assuming important roles in the CSSR.

The administration of the CSSR has continued to expand. When the CSSR was first established, the administration comprised a single administrative officer who performed both financial and non-financial administration, and looked after the publication of our Working Papers. Ten years later, our office comprises a full-time financial administrator (Marius Coqui), one full-time and one half-time general administrators (Kathy Forbes and Ncedeka Mbune), a half-time programme manager (Libbi Downes) and a part-time publications manager (Jessica King). In addition, various projects are managed by specialist administrators. For example, Liz Welsh manages the African Legislatures Project in DARU, and Becky Maughan-Brown manages ASRU's outreach programme.

The CSSR secured and refurbished some additional office space on the 4th floor of the Leslie Social Science building, allowing us to accommodate Nicoli Nattrass and Beatrice Conradie, whose research continues to be based in the CSSR even though the School of Economics relocated to middle campus. PRISM moved into the new School of Economics building, apart from the rest of the CSSR.

Student achievements

The CSSR continues to invest heavily in capacity-building through providing scholarships to postgraduate students. The year saw an extraordinary number of our graduate students completing their degrees: Claire Allan, Benjamin Stanwix, Matthew MacDevette, Erica Penfold, Alexandra Searle, Michelle Romo, Kai Thaler, Garikayi Chemhaka, Mavourneen Street, Rutendo Murambiwa, Nixon Chisonga, Maria Garcia Corbeira, Nasiphi Moya, Dustin Kramer, Samantha Richmond, Dangalira Mughogo, Jenn Schwendeman and Rutendo Murambiwa. Some of these students performed very strongly. Kai Thaler received a distinction for his Masters thesis (by research only) on violence in contemporary Cape Town. Michelle Romo and Erica Penfold both got distinctions for their masters degrees (by coursework and dissertation). Dustin Kramer got outstanding marks. Alexandra Searle got a distinction for her dissertation.

A number of our Masters and PhD students secured scholarships and opportunities to spend some time abroad. Ed Grebe returned from a year in Yale on a Fox Scholarship. Singumbe Muyebe, after attending a Summer School at the University of Amsterdam in July, started his year at Yale on a Fox Scholarship. Ralph Ssebegala was invited to spend a semester at the University of Massachusetts in Amherst, but unfortunately did not receive a US visa in time. Fittingly, he will spend most of next year at a Japanese university. Duncan Pieterse spent a semester at Brown. Matthew MacDevette, Dustin Kramer and Maria Garcia Corbeira all started new Masters degrees in Oxford in October. Beth Vale won a Rhodes Scholarship to Oxford for 2012.

Looking ahead

One of the CSSR's priorities over the next few years is to broaden our teaching through offering short courses, including in formal Summer (or Winter) Schools. Building social sciences in South Africa – and Africa more broadly – requires reaching beyond the regular term-time courses offered through UCT's teaching departments, as DARU has already shown in previous years' Afrobarometer summer schools. The appointments of Drs Wolf and Govender have allowed us to move forward with these plans. In November they, with Ed Grebe, ran a short course on analysing data from the Institute for Justice and Reconciliation's "South African Reconciliation Barometer" surveys. A longer course on researching violence will be run in February 2012. We intend to introduce more formal Summer School offerings in January 2013.

Short courses will allow the CSSR to reach wider circles of students and researchers, as well as to offer a wider range of training to UCT students. They are no substitute, however, for strengthening the curricula in UCT's various departments. Whilst the CSSR can notch up major achievements in terms of most of our objectives, we should not ignore the ambivalence towards quantitative data analysis that remains widespread in some of UCT's social science departments. Strengthening further relations between the CSSR and these departments must remain a priority for the CSSR in the coming year.



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Left:

Ncedeka Mbune completed a qualification in Event Support at Cape Peninsula University of Technology.

Above: Rajen Govender and Bob Mattes at the annual CSSR end-of-year lunch.

Right:

Jessica King graduated cum laude from Stellenbosch University with an Honours degree in English Literature.

Social Surveys Unit

Director: Jeremy Seekings



Researchers:

Elena Moore (diversity in South Africa)
Jenn Schwendeman (gender and education)
Rutendo Murambiwa (xenophobia)
Kai Thaler (violence)
Nixon Chisonga (access to housing)
Singumbe Muyeba (the value of housing tenure
in Cape Town and Lusaka)
Ralph Ssebagala (consumer credit)
Gareth Olds (labour markets)
Beatrice Conradie (biodiversity)
Ken Jubber (culture construction)
Talisa McMillan
Nasiphi Moya
Thobani Ncapai (fieldwork)
Bulelwa Nokwe (fieldwork)
Bronwyn Nortje (distributive justice and the
poor)
Lingxiu Zhang (clothing industry)
Thembi Luckett (CAPS)

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Right:

Thobani Ncapai appeared in the Cape Times article 'Cape celebrates milestone of 100 000 on ARVs' on 27 July.

Far Right:

Kai Thaler achieved a distinction for his Masters thesis on 'Violence and society in post-apartheid Cape Town'.

The SSU conducts research into a range of social, political and economic topics, as well as focusing critically on the methodologies and ethics of social science research. We attach particular importance to the combination of qualitative and quantitative data. Our eclectic approach to methodology and data is evident in our ongoing research into everyday violence in contemporary Cape Town. A series of in-depth interviews have been conducted over several years into how people experience and understand violence, and some standardized questions were included in the fifth wave of the Cape Area Panel Study (CAPS) in 2009. Kai Thaler and Jeremy Seekings have been analyzing these data to explore how people participate in violence not only as perpetrators or victims, but also as bystanders whose normative endorsement of violence plays an important role in entrenching violence in so many aspects of everyday life. Kai Thaler completed his Masters degree (by research only) and achieved a distinction. Several chapters of his thesis were published as Working Papers. Kai and Jeremy are collaborating on a monograph on everyday violence in post-apartheid South Africa, which pays close attention to the role of norms. Rutendo Murambiwa also combined quantitative and qualitative data for her Masters mini-dissertation on xenophobia. Through Jeremy, the CSSR played a role in UCT's broader Safety and Violence Initiative (SAVI), which links researchers from diverse disciplines and faculties.

Mixing quantitative and qualitative research was evident also in continuing research into the changing world of family, kinship and household-making in South Africa. Elena Moore brought into the CSSR expertise on the sociology of the family in Europe, and quickly sought to apply this to the South African context. Together with Jeremy Seekings, she supervised undergraduate research projects on families in the Sociology Department, and in mid-year she and Jeremy worked with visiting students from Yale on how women especially experience the absence of men in their households, and how they negotiate the arrival of new male partners into households. Nixon Chisonga completed his Masters mini-dissertation on how young people access housing, including through kinship, using CAPS data.

Whilst most of the SSU's research has concentrated on Cape Town, Beatrice Conradie continues to conduct her research in rural areas of the Boland and Southern Cape. In addition, Nicoli Nattrass, Jeremy Seekings and two visiting students from Yale initiated new research into low-wage manufacturing employment in Southern Africa. This entailed research trips to Newcastle in KwaZulu-Natal and Lesotho. Jeremy also wrote a preliminary report on young people's entry into the labour market in South Africa, using CAPS and other data. More broadly, Nicoli and Jeremy are expanding the CSSR's interests in 'sustainable societies', and more specifically what makes sustainability possible in terms of both the distribution of economic and social resources (including employment) and the interactions between human societies and the natural environment.

Jeremy Seekings also continued research on comparative urban sociology and politics, the history and politics of social policy-making, and the political economy of distribution and redistribution. Jeremy attended conferences, presented seminars or gave lectures in Delhi (twice), Tokyo, Osaka, Amsterdam, Manchester, Bristol, Brighton, New Haven, Stellenbosch and Cape Town.



AIDS and Society Research Unit

Director: Nicoli Nattrass

(AIDS conspiracy beliefs, fighting AIDS denialism)



Deputy Director

Rebecca Hodes (HIV in the media, social history of reproductive health and HIV)

Other Researchers

Celeste Coetzee (socio-economic impact of HAART); Eduard Grebe (AIDS activism and leadership); Fidelis Hove (AIDS in Zimbabwe); Catherine Jury (AIDS and family structure); Matthew MacDevette (AIDS funding); Jacquiline Marshall (sexual behaviour); Rebecca Maughan-Brown (health promotion and education); Tafara Ngwaru (gender and HIV); Duncan Pieterse (AIDS and the labour market); Annabelle Wienand (photographic representation of HIV/AIDS in Africa); Beth Vale (community care workers); Jo Thobeka Wreford (traditional healers).

Visiting Researchers

Nathan Geffen (access to HIV treatment), Clara Rubincam (AIDS conspiracy beliefs).

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In the ASRU/Kheth'Impilo bodymapping project, participants listed the triumphs and difficulties of their work in group discussion, and then marked the stories of these client interactions in the space between the "self" and "client" bodies.

Bottom Right:

(From left) Rebecca Maughan-Brown, Thembakazi Rolihlala, Beth Vale and Barbara Matasane, working together on the body-mapping project at the Kheth'Impilo clinic in Bloekombos

ASRU is an inter-disciplinary unit that conducts quantitative and qualitative social science research on various aspects of AIDS policy and the socio-economic dimensions of living with HIV. Research activities range from detailed local level analysis (ASRU has several surveys of people living with AIDS in Cape Town) to international studies of AIDS funding.

In 2010, we initiated a new outreach initiative in the form of a collaborative action research project with Kheth'Impilo (an NGO which has partnered with South African government to provide antiretroviral treatment in four provinces). Keth'Impilo trains and employs a cohort of over a thousand community health workers who assist people living with HIV on many levels. This year, under the leadership of Rebecca Maughan-Brown, ASRU collaborated with Kheth'Impilo to develop training materials (designed to meet the accreditation requirements of the National Qualifications Framework) for these community health workers.

ASRU researchers also write for a range of websites, including Quackdown (which holds a database of untested medical claims), AIDSTruth (which combats AIDS denialism and provides science-based information about HIV transmission and treatment), and AIDSMap (an online information hub for people living with HIV).



Highlights of 2011

ASRU and Kheth'Impilo developed and piloted a new body mapping tool to provide social support for social workers and community health advocates working for Kheth'Impilo.

Nicoli Natrass participated in the Copenhagen Consensus project on ranking HIV-related spending objectives (for outputs of this project see: <http://www.rethinkhiv.com/>) and was invited by Robert Gallo to give a keynote address (about fighting AIDS denialism) at the Institute for Human Virology Conference in Baltimore.

ASRU co-organised (with the Health, Economics and HIV/AIDS Research Division at UKZN) two panel discussions at the HIV in the Humanities and Social Sciences Conference in Durban, June 2011. These were: 'Health horror stories and 'positive' portrayals: new research on HIV, TB and the body in the South African media'; and 'New directions in research on gender and HIV/AIDS in southern Africa'.

Catherine Jury presented a poster at the Durban International AIDS conference on her research on the role of mothers in providing care for HIV-positive people.

Nicoli Natrass, Eduard Grebe and Clara Rubincam further developed ASRU's research into AIDS conspiracy beliefs, with Eduard and Nicoli publishing a paper in AIDS and Behaviour and Nicoli and Clara presenting papers at the HIV in the Humanities and Social Sciences Conference in Durban, June 2011.

Rebecca Hodes co-ordinated the work done by Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) to review the current National Strategic Plan on HIV and AIDS, Tuberculosis and Sexually Transmitted Infections (the NSP, 2007 - 2011), and to assist with the drafting of the next NSP.

Beth Vale, a Master's student in ASRU, won a Rhodes Scholarship. Beth will begin a D.Phil in Social Intervention at Oxford University in October 2012. Her doctoral thesis will be a qualitative study exploring how AIDS-affected families respond to primary healthcare services, with an aim to inform social policy and intervention in South Africa.

Rebecca Hodes and Eduard Grebe wrote policy papers for the Developmental Leadership Program. These focused on gender politics and South Africa's Sexual Offences Act, and on ethics and integrity in the politics of developmental leadership. Rebecca presented her paper to a group of policy-makers and donors, including representatives of AUSAid, GIZ, Oxfam, The Asia Foundation and Transparency International, at a meeting of developmental partners in Frankfurt (March, 2011).

Nathan Geffen, a Research Associate in ASRU, has co-ordinated work on the Quackdown and TB Online websites which went live in 2011. Geffen also organised a civil society meeting on priorities for treating and preventing TB, and has written extensively about the optimal time to start ART (as informed by his participation on the community advisory board for the START trial). Geffen has also written policy briefs on various issues related to HIV, including circumcision, and served on the scientific committee for the Orange Farm circumcision research project.



Photographs:

Above:

(From left) Nicoli Natrass, Elizabeth Mills, Rebecca Hodes, Catherine Jury, Beth Vale and Gemma Oberth at the HIV in the Humanities and Social Science Conference, Durban (June 2011)

Right:

One of the finished bodymaps from the ASRU/Kheth'Impilo bodymapping project.



Democracy in Africa Unit

Director: Robert Mattes



Project Managers:

Per Strand (AIDS, Democracy and Governance Project)

Elizabeth Welsh (African Legislature Project)

Lauren Paremoer (Open Society Monitoring Index)

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Moletsane Monyake

Nasiphi Moya

Tiffany Mugo

Erica Penfold

Samantha Richmond

Lara Sierra-Rubia

Lauren Smith

Dadisa Taderera

Research Fellows

Robert Cameron, Dept of Political Studies, UCT

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Joel Barkan (University of Iowa/Centre for Strategic and International Studies)

David Denemark (University of Western Australia)

Connie Flanagan (Pennsylvania State University)

Tim Hughes (Independent Consultant)

Michelle Esau (University of Western Cape)

Richard Niemi (University of Rochester)

Collette Schulz-Herzenberg (Institute for Security Studies)

Shaheen Mozaffar (Bridgewater State University)

Kimberly Smiddy (Independent Consultant)

Shana Warren (New York University)

Junior Visiting Fellows

Verena Kroth (London School of Economics and Political Science)

Geoffrey MacDonald (University of Denver)

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Far Right: The speakers at the PERC seminar of postgraduate teaching in Africa; Prof Di McIntyre, Assoc Prof Mills Soko, and Prof Robert Mattes.

The Democracy in Africa Research Unit strengthens empirical social science research capacity in Africa by supporting and conducting systematic research on key aspects of the survival and quality of democracy in South Africa and the rest of the continent.

In 2011, we continued our research and training activities in four broad areas: public opinion, voting and elections, political institutions, wound up our program in the political dynamics of HIV/AIDS, and began planning a new initiative in South African civic education. Our work was supported by the Afrobarometer, the Open Society Foundation of South Africa, the Rockefeller Brothers Foundation (RBF), the South African National Research Foundation, the Swedish Agency for International Development (SIDA), the UCT University Research Committee, the UCT Vice-Chancellor's Fund, and the World Bank.

Bob Mattes, the Director, spent the last half of 2010 and the first half of 2011 on sabbatical, first as a STIAS Fellow at the new Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies, and then as Visiting Scholar at the Weatherhead Center for International Affairs at Harvard University.

DARU Projects

African Legislatures Project

ALP completed country studies in Benin, Burkina Faso, Mali, Lesotho and South Africa, continued its work in Senegal and near the end of the year began new studies in Botswana and Zimbabwe. Each study entailed both structured surveys of representative samples of MPs and in-depth interviews of legislative officers. At mid year, Bob Mattes, Joel Barkan and Shaheen Mozaffar presented results from the first 11 country studies to several units at the World Bank.

And research associates Tim Hughes and Michelle Esau made a joint presentation on results of the South Africa country study to the South African National Assembly Committee of Committees, Oversight and ICT in June 2011.

At UCT, Project Manager Liz Welsh worked with DARU researchers Dustin Kramer, Rorisang Lekalake, Nasiphi Moya, Moletsane Monyake, Tiffany Mugo, Erica Penfold, and Dadisa Taderera, as well as Visiting Research Associates Shana Warren, Tim Hughes, Shaheen Mozaffar, and Joel Barkan.

Former DARU researcher Alexandra Searle finished her MA dissertation based on data collected by ALP.

Afrobarometer Capacity-Building Project

Mattes led the committee that wrote the new questionnaire for Round 5 of the Afrobarometer, and also worked with Afrobarometer personnel to get the 2011 Afrobarometer South Africa survey into field. Mattes also presented Afrobarometer results at various venues ranging from the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies, the World Bank, to Jain University in Bangalore India.

Former DARU researchers Dangelira Mughogho and Michelle Romo finished Masters dissertations based on Afrobarometer data (Romo receiving a distinction!), as did Keneilwe Mpule and Ryan Anderson.

Civic Education and Democracy

Mattes finished a study examining the attitudes toward democracy of those South Africans who have come of age since 1996, and concluded that the "Born Frees" are actually less democratic than older South Africans. Based on this, DARU has received a grant from the NRF to conduct a study in 2012 of high school students, teachers, and parents in order to assess the impact of curriculum, and other competing factors such as teachers, peers, media, family and communities in shaping what young South Africans think about apartheid, democracy, citizenship and xenophobia. At the end of the year, DARU hosted a workshop to plan the various elements of the 2012 study.

AIDS, Democracy and Governance

ADG continued its research on political leadership on AIDS, led by Per Strand and funded by SIDA. In 2011 it made an oral presentation at the SAHARA Conference in Port Elizabeth and also presented a paper at the SAHARA Conference and another at the ICASA Conference in Addis Ababa.

It also contributed to expert consultations to the Advisory Group for the European Commission for Disease Control's project on the response to HIV/AIDS by countries in Europe and Central Asia, and to the Expert group for the Enabling Environment tracking of the UNGASS review process. ADG is part of the Advisory Committee to the UNAIDS and IAS project 'Thinking Politically about HIV' and took part in the UNAIDS/IAS workshop for the project in Bangkok in April 2011. Since then, Strand has developed a plan for how the project can be implemented across sub-Saharan Africa, which is set to start in early 2012.

ADG also developed and presented a framework to a September workshop in New York organized by UN WOMEN, WHO and USAID to develop a harmonized set of indicators on gender equality in the AIDS response that countries can use in their national responses to HIV and AIDS. The framework was ultimately adopted by these organizations to structure their project.

During 2011, ADG developed a research agenda on 'Parliamentary leadership on HIV and AIDS' in collaboration with the HIV and AIDS programme at the SADC Parliamentary Forum. A questionnaire was developed through a participatory process and it was piloted in September 2011. The resulting database and the analysis it enables will be used to strengthen such leadership in SADC. SADC PF adopted the project in its Plenary Meeting in November 2011 and is interested in developing it into a generic model for research, monitoring and evaluation across all its programmes. A final report on 'political leadership on HIV and AIDS', the project funded by SIDA, will be presented to SIDA in 2012.

On invitation from UNAIDS, ADG proposed a text on 'political accountability in the AIDS response' for consideration in the drafting of the 2011 UN Declaration on HIV and AIDS.

ADG has also continued research on the impact of HIV/AIDS on the quality of democracy and governance, supported by the Rockefeller Brothers Fund and done in collaboration with UCT Professor Robert Cameron.

Comparative National Elections Project

DARU hosted the 2011 CNEP conference in August, where CNEP research teams put the finishing touches on chapters that will form part of its next edited volume.

Open Society Monitoring Index

Following last year's very successful launch of the first round of the Open Society Monitoring Index, the DARU team led by Lauren Paramoer, with the support of Holly McGurk, DARU began preparation of the next round of the OSMI, working with various outside researchers to compile a narrative report covering the areas of access to information, elections, parliament, law and order, and public finance, and also designed and carried a study of public experiences across these areas.

At UCT, Project Manager Lauren Paramoer worked with DARU researcher Holly McGurk, as well as Visiting Research Associates Cherrel Africa and Alta Fölscher, and researchers at UCT's Governance and Rights Unit, Idasa, and the Institute for Security Studies.



DARU Research 2011

Political Institutions

African Legislatures Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The African Legislatures Project: New Knowledge (Barkan, Mattes, Mozaffar) •Education, Legislators and Legislatures in Africa (Mattes, Mozaffar, Bakan) •The Role Orientations of African MPs (Mozaffar, Barkan, Mattes) •What Do Africans Want From Their MPs, And Do They Get It? (Mattes, Barkan and Mozaffar) •Describing and Explaining the Response of African Legislatures to HIV/AIDS (Searle)
Open Society Monitoring Index	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The South Africa Open Society Index (Paramoer, Africa, Mattes)

Public Opinion

Afrobarometer Capacity Building Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Democratizing the Measure of The Quality of Democracy in Sub-Saharan Africa (Carolyn Logan and Mattes) •Social Capital in Lesotho (Monyake) •Political Values and Generational Change in Botswana (Lekalake) •Measuring and Explaining Legitimacy in South Africa (Taderera) •The Evolution of National Identity in South Africa (Romo)
Civic Education and Democracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Examining South Africa's 'Born Free' Generation (Mattes)

Voting and Elections

Comparative National Elections Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The Linkages Between Partisanship and Popular Conceptions of Democracy, and Demand and Supply of Democracy (Mattes)
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Political Consequences of HIV/AIDS

The Impact of AIDS on Democracy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The Impact of HIV/AIDS on Local Government (Strand, Robert Cameron)
HIV/AIDS Governance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Disincentives for Political Leadership on HIV Prevention in Eastern and Southern Africa (Strand) •Holding Leaders Accountable for the Response to HIV/AIDS (Strand) •Accountability in Workplace Responses to AIDS (Strand) •Making Accountability Work for the AIDS Response (Strand) •The Buck Stops with Us: The Need for Strategic Action to Realise Political Commitments on AIDS and SRHR (Strand) •Describing and Explaining the Response of African Legislatures to HIV/AIDS (Searle)

Policy Research in International Services and Manufacturing

Director: Mike Morris



PRISM brings together researchers working in the broad areas of globalisation, industrialisation, industrial policy, innovation and industry sectoral and services studies. PRISM has a strong emphasis on policy driven research activities.

The other senior researchers in UCT involved in various PRISM activities are David Kaplan, Anthony Black, and Don Ross.

PhD students supported by PRISM and working on directly related research were Lyn Reed, Judith Fessehaie and Hein Gerwel. PRISM research associates were Raphael Kaplinsky (Open University), Jo Lorentzen (HSRC) and Justin Barnes (BMA).

PRISM members are involved in a number of collaborative projects with researchers at the Universities of Ghana, Ibadan, KwaZulu-Natal, Nairobi, Wolverhampton, Open University, Mzumbe, Addis Ababa, Mauritius, University of Western Sydney, Institute for Social Studies (The Hague), as well as research and policy organisations such as the African Economic Research Consortium, Institute of Development Studies, UNIDO, World Bank, Trans National Institute and NEPAD.

Photographs:

Top Right:

Mike Morris speaking at the African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) meeting in June.

Middle Right:

Participants at an MMCP workshop in the CSSR.

Bottom Right:

Mike Morris, Raphael Kaplinsky, Judith Fessehaie, Masuma Farooki, and David Kaplan, who took part in the MMCP Synthesis Writing Workshop in August.



Major Research Projects with Policy Implications

Making the Most of Commodities (MMCP)	The MMCP is a University of Cape Town and the Open University collaborative research/policy programme - Jan 2009 to November 2011 - funded by the IDRC, William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, Oppenheimer Institute. Project Leaders are Mike Morris and David Kaplan (UCT), and Raphael Kaplinsky (Open University) with 16 researchers working across 8 African countries. The MMCP aims to assist African countries to maximise the potential linkage opportunities emanating from the production of commodities so as to promote sustainable industrial growth, and to ensure widespread access to the fruits of this growth in a context of good governance. The focus of the country/commodity research studies are: Angola (oil), Botswana (diamonds), Gabon (timber), Ghana (gold), Nigeria (oil), South Africa (mining services), Tanzania (gold) and Zambia (copper). Additional cross country studies focus on infrastructure in East Africa, Chinese investment in infrastructure, and knowledge intensive services into mining. The results have been presented at 9 Policy Dialogue workshops. The MMCP has published 14 Discussion Papers in 2011, available on the PRISM/MMCP websites, as well as journal articles.
China in Africa	A large Pan African research project organised through the AERC focussing on the impact of China on Sub Saharan Africa in respect of Aid, Trade and FDI. It has been operational for the past five years and ended in 2011 with working papers published on the AERC website. Mike Morris was a joint convenor of the project.
African Clothing and Footwear Research Network (ACFRN)	The ACFRN (founded in 2001) is a network of researchers from Kenya, Tanzania, Ethiopia, Mauritius, South Africa, Denmark and France working on the clothing/textile and footwear/leather sectors in SSA. The current ongoing project is a focus on 'Adjusting to Global Chinese Ascendancy in Clothing' spanning 7 African countries. Mike Morris is Southern Africa coordinator, researcher and expert advisor. The research has resulted in a journal publication and an ILO conference paper.
Cooperation in Clothing and Textiles Industry	A project undertaken by Mike Morris for the World Bank Public Governance program. This has resulted in a report and a forthcoming World Bank Working Paper.
Zambia Growth Strategy	International Growth Centre, London: Zambia - facilitating and providing quality control for a country strategy on Zambia which David Kaplan is cooperating on. Specifically research projects on Investment Incentives and on the Informal Sector and the development of a business directory.
Closing Skills and Technology Gaps	World Bank project with David Kaplan. Examining the technological performance of South Africa, identifying areas of technological capacity, commercialisation of new knowledge, and role of venture capital. Resulted in the publication of two World Bank papers with Kaplan as lead author.
The Role of the Business Sector in R&D	David Kaplan prepared a Report plus Policy Proposals for the Ministerial Committee on Science and Technology.
Intellectual Property	A World Bank Project with David Kaplan as the Southern African collaborator, focussing on intellectual property, the role of venture capitalists and the commercialisation of inventions. The project has culminated in a World Bank published book.
Technology Absorption in Southern Africa	World Bank project with David Kaplan on Fostering Technology Absorption in Export Oriented Manufacturing firms in four Southern African countries. Resulted in the publication of a book published by the World Bank.
Employment Intensive Growth	Funded by SANPAD and involving collaboration with the Trans National Institute and Institute for Social Studies in the Netherlands. Anthony Black is principal investigator of this project which includes an examination of South Africa's capital-intensive industrialisation process.

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Chileshe, C. 'An application of Lindberg's thesis in assessing democratic growth in Zambia'

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MacDevette, M. 'Disease burden, cost modelling and the AIDS funding debate - Towards clarity on whether the world is spending 'too much' on HIV/AIDS'

Moya, N. 'Evidence of centralisation in South African local government: A critical overview'

Mughogho, D. 'The role of public opinion in Africa's third term bids'

Murambiwa, R. 'Exploring attitudes towards immigrants in Cape Town, South Africa'

Penfold, E. 'An analysis of the role of political institutions in defining ethnicity and electoral outcomes in Rwanda'

Romo, M. 'National identity in post-apartheid South Africa'

Schwendeman, J. 'Gender parity and the "usual suspects" in South African education'

Searle, A. 'African legislatures and HIV/AIDS: An exploratory analysis'

Thaler, K. 'Violence and society in post-apartheid Cape Town'



Above: Matthew MacDevette, who graduated with a Masters this year, also hosted a Potter seminar

Below: Alexandra Searle and Michelle Romo achieved distinctions for their dissertations



Seminars and Workshops

Seminars:

Verena Kroth (London School of Economics)

Political Budget Cycles and Intergovernmental Transfers in a Dominant Party Framework: Empirical Evidence from South Africa

Illana van Wyk (HUMA, UCT)

Tata ma chance: Contingency and the Lottery in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Daniel Kaufman (Brookings Institution)

Governance in Africa in a Worldwide Perspective: What the Data Tell Us, and the Challenges in Constructing and Using Governance Indicators

Robert Cameron (UCT), Per Strand (UCT) and Lauren Smith (UCT)

The Impact of AIDS on Local Government Performance: Evidence of the Third Wave of the AIDS Epidemic

Elena Moore (DARU)

Continuity and Change Among African Women in Three Generation Families in Cape Town

Carlos Shenga (DARU)

Political Intermediation and Attitudes toward Democracy in Mozambique

Robert Mattes (DARU)

The 'Born Frees': The Prospects for Generational Change in Post-Apartheid South Africa

Nathan Geffen (ASRU and Treatment Action Campaign)

Starting HAART: What Should our Guidelines Say?

Zoe Duby, Department of Public Health (UCT)

Heterosexual Anal Sex: Knowledge, Attitudes and Practice in Five East African Communities

Lee McIntyre (Boston University)

Can Social Scientists Learn From Philosophers?

Ursula Hoadley and Jaamia Galant (UCT)

Schools Performing Above Demographic Expectations (SPADE): An Initial Research Design

Debby Gerritsen (Utrecht University)

Participation of Migrant Youth in the Netherlands: Education and Labour Market Perspectives

Maria Garcia and Beatrice Conradie (CSSR and School of Economics)

Nature-based Tourism Value and the Demand for Responsible Tourism on the Agulhas Plain

Nicola Branson (SALDRU, UCT)

Health and Educational Outcomes for Children Born to Teenage Mothers in Cape Town

Singumbe Muyeba (SSU)

The Effects of Property Rights on Economic, Social and Cultural Capital among Poor Beneficiaries of Low-Cost Housing in Cape Town, South Africa

Jenn Schwendeman (Sociology, UCT)

Gendered Educational Outcomes in South Africa

Duncan Pieterse (CSSR)

Exposure to Violence and Earnings: Examining the Causal Effect for Young South Africans

Matthew MacDevette (ASRU)

Is the World Spending Too Much on HIV/AIDS?

Tafara Ngwaru (ASRU)

The Impact of Socio-economic Status and Other Structural Drivers on HIV in Southern Africa

Ralph Ssebagala (SSU)

Who is at Risk of Defaulting on Consumer Debt in South Africa?

Pedro Wolf

A Day in the Life: The Relationships Among Negative Affect, Covitality, and Spatial Behaviour Measured by Self-reported Spatial Behaviour, and by Global Positioning System (GPS) Technology

Khaled Alan Ahmed (UKZN)

Utilising traditional health practitioners to increase HIV testing in South Africa: What are the costs and challenges?

Brendan Maughan-Brown (SALDRU) and Atheendar Venkataramani (Washington University)

Variation in traditional male circumcision practices and HIV risk: Evidence from Cape Town, South Africa

Tom Shapiro (Brandeis University)

Bringing wealth and race to an understanding of poverty and inequality

Kai Thaler (SSU)

The utility of mixed methods in the study of violence and conflict

Abigail Hatcher (University of California)

Reducing intimate partner violence: Lessons from interventions in rural Kenyan and South African settings

Workshops and Conferences:

Joint CSSR/IJR/DataFirst quantitative analysis workshop: Quantitative analysis of public opinion data using the SA Reconciliation Barometer

14-18 November

MMCP Synthesis Writing Workshop

August

DARU/CNEP Conference

August

Africa Day 2011

23-25 May

ALP Zimbabwe Introductory Workshop

May

Dr Christopher Bratt (University of Kent)

Postgraduate Teaching Demonstration

2 February

MMCP Final Results Workshop

17-20 January

CSSR Associate Research Fellows

Joel Barkan (University of Iowa/Centre for Strategic and International Studies)

Robin Bloch (GHK International)

Nathan Geffen (Treatment Action Campaign)

Claudia Haarmann (Theological Institute for Advocacy and Research in Africa)

Dirk Haarmann (Theological Institute for Advocacy and Research in Africa)

Heide Hackmann (International Social Science Council)

Raphael Kaplinsky (Open University)

Shaheen Mozaffar (Bridgewater State University)

Shana Warren (New York University)



Above: Ncedeka Mbune, Cherrel Africa, Lauren Paremoer, and Lara Sierra-Rubia at the CSSR end-of-year lunch.

Top Left: Lily Bunker and Liz Welsh at the DARU stall for Africa Day in May.

Bottom Left: Abigail, Christian and Singumbe at Yale on a Fox Fellowship.

Our Mission Statement

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 in South Africa, the region and across Africa.

The CSSR presently consists of four units: AIDS and Society Research Unit (ASRU), Democracy in Africa Research Unit (DARU), Policy Research on International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM), Social Surveys Unit (SSU), as well as a small Directorate. Unit Heads report on their research activities through the CSSR Director to the Dean of Humanities. The CSSR is also assisted by an Advisory Board that meets twice-yearly. We also continue to work closely with UCT's DataFirst Resource Unit (which was started as part of CSSR), an extensive digital archive of social science databases.

Methodologically, CSSR research is empirical, but problem-driven. While we utilise both quantitative and qualitative strategies of data collection, our work is based on 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). After a reasonable period, most collected quantitative data are turned into public access data sets and deposited with the DataFirst Resource Unit.

Substantively, the CSSR conducts research in the broad areas of democratisation, globalisation, development, industrialisation, poverty and public health. The AIDS and Society Research Unit (ASRU) conducts research on the social impacts of HIV/AIDS, including issues of parenting, disclosure, sexual behaviour and public welfare, again using both survey and qualitative data. The Democracy in Africa Research Unit (DARU) conducts research on a range of issues around democratisation in South and Southern Africa, using public opinion data but also creating new systematic data bases on elections, legislatures and local government. Policy Research on International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM) focuses research and policy work on issues of globalisation and industrialisation in Sub-Saharan Africa. The Social Surveys Unit (SSU) conducts research on a range of social dynamics using survey data (especially the Cape Area Panel Survey, and the Cape Area Survey) and related qualitative data.

CSSR projects are usually team-oriented, bringing together multiple local and international researchers, and offering post-graduate students significant 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.

Centre for Social Science Research

Director
Nicoli Nattrass



The **AIDS and Society Research Unit** (ASRU) supports research into the social and economic dimensions of AIDS in South and Southern Africa. Special emphasis is placed on exploring the interface between qualitative and quantitative research. Focus areas include: AIDS policy in South Africa, AIDS-stigma, sexual relationships in the age of AIDS, the social and economic factors driving HIV infection, AIDS conspiracy beliefs; the interface between traditional medicine and biomedicine, the international treatment rollout, global health citizenship and leadership, AIDS treatment activism, and the impact of providing antiretroviral treatment on individuals and households.

Director
Robert Mattes



The **Democracy in Africa Research Unit** (DARU) supports students and scholars who conduct systematic research in the following four areas: public opinion and political culture in Africa and its role in democratisation and consolidation; elections and voting in Africa; the development of legislative institutions; and the impact of the HIV/AIDS pandemic on democratisation in southern Africa. DARU has also developed close working relationships with projects such as the Afrobarometer (a cross-national survey of public opinion in twenty African countries) and the Comparative National Elections Project, which conducts post-election surveys in over twenty countries across the world.

Director
Mike Morris



Policy Research in International Services and Manufacturing (PRISM) provides a lens to focus research and policy work on issues of globalisation and industrialisation in Sub Saharan Africa. The CSSR provides management, administrative and financial services, as well as assisting in realising its wide research remit - to interface between economics and other relevant disciplines. PRISM provides a home to a number of independent research activities, projects and programmes. The broad focus of the research activities undertaken are all concerned with issues of globalisation, global value chains, industrialisation paths, the role of knowledge intensive services, and international competitiveness.

Director
Jeremy Seekings



The **Social Surveys Unit** (SSU) promotes critical analysis of the methodology, ethics and results of South African social science research. The SSU seeks to integrate quantitative and qualitative research. Our core activities include the overlapping Cape Area Study and Cape Area Panel Study. The Cape Area Study comprises a series of surveys of social, economic and political aspects of life in Cape Town. The Cape Area Panel Study is an ongoing study of young people in Cape Town as they move from school into the worlds of work, unemployment, adulthood, and parenthood. Linked to the panel study is an ethnographic study of childhood and adolescence in post-apartheid Cape Town. The SSU also conducts research into inequality, diversity and social policy.