

## **STAFF AND STUDENTS**

**David Simon** has been invited to become the first international member of the editorial board of the Nijmegen Institute of Comparative and Cultural Studies, the principal publication of which is book series *The Nijmegen Studies in Development and Cultural Change*.

On 17th February, **David Simon** acted as external examiner for the PhD thesis of Erik van Waveren (Geography, Univ. of the West of England), entitled 'Land Resource Distribution under Customary Tenure in Swaziland: a geographical analysis with special attention to semi-arid land'.

**Klaus Dodds** has been invited to be on the ESRC's Commissioning Panel for a new research programme on new security challenges. He is the only representative from Geography.

**Ed Derbyshire** has accepted an invitation to join the leadership of IGCP Project 454 (Medical Geology), with effect from 1 January 2003, a project with special status under the IUGS.

**Ed Derbyshire** has accepted an invitation from UNESCO to lead the Scientific Advisory Group during the independent six-yearly assessment of the UNESCO-IUGS International Geological Correlation Programme (IGCP).

**Ed Derbyshire** has accepted an invitation to serve on the four-member Management Team of the IUGS-UNESCO International Year of Planet Earth initiative, and to Chair the Scientific Programme Committee of the International Year.

**Dr Luciana Martins** has been appointed to a Lectureship in Luso-Brazilian Studies in the School of Languages, Linguistics and Culture at Birkbeck College, from September 2003

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## **OUTSIDE ENGAGEMENTS**

**David Simon** attended the editorial working group meeting of the Review of African Political Economy, held in Sheffield on 7 February.

**David Simon** attended the Trustees' meeting of the Canon Collins Educational Trust for Southern Africa, held in the House of Lords, on 13 February.

**David Simon** presented a seminar on 'Regional Development-Environment discourses, policies and practices in post-apartheid southern Africa' in the School of African and Asian Studies, University of Sussex, 11 February.

**David Simon** provided a briefing on political-economic and development issues in South Africa to 60 Executive MBA students at Imperial College on 21 February, ahead of their forthcoming study tour to that country.

**Klaus Dodds** gave a lecture on Antarctica to the High Weald Geographical Association at Judd School in Tonbridge. 30 students and teachers were present 3rd February 2003.

**Klaus Dodds** gave a paper 'Flag waving, fieldwork and funding: The work of the Falkland Islands Dependencies Survey in Antarctica 1945-1962' to the Social Sciences and Humanities Polar Seminar series at the Scott Polar Research Institute, University of Cambridge 10th February 2003.

In his role as external examiner for the MSc Environmental Change and Management at the University of Oxford, **Tim Unwin** presented a seminar on 25<sup>th</sup> February 2003.

**Philip Crang** presented a paper at the LSE in an international workshop on 'Globalisation of India and Indianisation of the Globe', organised by The Centre for the Study of Global Governance at the LSE and the ESRC's Transnational Communities Research Programme.

**Vandana Desai** gave a talk on "From Population Control to Reproductive Rights" to A level students at East Barnet School on 13th February 2003. The session was attended by 25 students.

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## PUBLICATIONS

**Scott Elias** has recently collaborated with North American archaeologist John Hoffecker on a paper in *Evolutionary Anthropology*. The title of the paper is 'Environment and Archaeology in Beringia.' It appeared in volume 12, pages 34-49.

**Imrie, R.**, 2003, Architects' conceptions of the human body, *Environment and Planning D: Society and Space*, 21, 1, 47-65

**Lee, J.R., Rose, J., Riding, J.B., Moorlock, B.S.P., Hamblin, R.J.O.** 2002. Testing the case for a Middle Pleistocene Scandinavian glaciation in Eastern England: evidence for a Scottish ice source for tills within the Corton Formation of East Anglia. *Boreas*, **31**, 345-355.

**David Simon, Duncan McGregor, Kwasi Nsiah-Gyabaah and Donald Thompson** (2003) Poverty elimination, North-South research collaboration and the politics of participatory development, *Development in Practice* 13(1): 40-56.

## Reviews

**F Driver**, review of D DeLyser and P Stars (eds) *Doing Fieldwork* (American Geographical Society, 2001), *Progress in Human Geography* 26 (2002), 838-40

**J M Hill** (2003) review of Elizabeth Edwards' book *Raw Histories: Photography, Anthropology and Museums*, 2001, Berg, *Journal of Historical Geography*, 2002, volume 8(4)

**David Simon** (2002) Review of G. Mohan, E. Brown, E. Milward and A.B. Zack-Williams: Structural Adjustment: theory, practice and impacts (London and New York: Routledge, 2000), *Progress in Human Geography* 26(1), pp. 138-139.

**David Simon** (2002) Review of Nicholas and Scott Thompson (2000), The Baobab and the Mango Tree; lessons about development - African and Asian contrasts. (Zed Books, London and White Lotus, Bangkok), *Third World Quarterly* 23(4): 769-771.

**David Simon** (2001) Review of A. Hoogvelt, Globalization and the Postcolonial World: the new political economy of development (2 edn) Basingstoke: Palgrave. *Space and Polity* 5(3): 240-242.

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## CONFERENCES-FIELDWORK-OVERSEAS

**Ed Derbyshire** hosted a meeting of the Management Team of the International Year of Planet Earth initiative in Hove on 8 and 9 January.

**Ed Derbyshire** attended a meeting of the External Relations Committee of the Geological Society at Burlington House, London, on 15 January.

**Ed Derbyshire** convened and chaired the inaugural meeting of the Scientific Programme Committee of the International Year of Planet Earth initiative at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris, 30 and 31 January.

**Ed Derbyshire** worked at UNESCO Headquarters in Paris 3-8 February. In addition to chairing meetings of the IUGS Committee for Research Directions and the Scientific Advisory Group for the assessment of the IGCP, he reported to the IGCP Scientific Board on the outcome of the last meeting of the Steering Group of the Chairpersons of UNESCO's five intergovernmental programmes. He represented the IGCP at a meeting on future plans and resources for the UNESCO Earth Science programmes with the Director-General of UNESCO, Mr. K. Matsuura, and held a meeting with the U.K. Deputy Permanent Delegate to UNESCO, Christine Atkinson, in order to discuss the UK role in the UNESCO Earth Science programmes.

Also, together with Mr. Matt Telfer (Postgraduate Research Assistant, University of Sheffield), he made a half-hour presentation to an open session of the IGCP Scientific Board on iCHANGES (Carbon, Hydrology And Global Environmental Systems) as an example of formal collaboration and fund-raising by a cohort of cognate IGCP projects.

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## GRANTS

**Klaus Dodds** has been awarded a British Academy grant of £8476 for a project on Race, citizenship and the overseas territories of the Falkland Islands and Gibraltar (1964-2002). Bridget Robison will be working on the project as the RA. This work was initially supported by a grant from the College's RSF.

The Department has been awarded an ESRC CASE studentship, in collaboration with the Science Museum, London, for a research project supervised by **Professor Felix Driver** and Dr Tim Boon, Head of Collections, entitled *The geography of enthusiasm: public history, museums and spaces*. The project is due to begin in September 2003.

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## **VISITORS TO THE DEPARTMENT**

Frank Meddens presented a QUISS Seminar on 28<sup>th</sup> February entitled "Peruvian prehistory, agricultural yields and mediation with the gods".