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Introduction

The Centre

The Refugee Studies Centre (RSC) contributes to knowledge and understanding of the causes and effects of forced migration in order to help improve the lives of some of the world's most vulnerable people. This is achieved by pursuing three interrelated activities: *research*, *teaching* and *dissemination*.

The RSC provides multidisciplinary, independent and critical scholarship on factors determining and resulting from the forced displacement of populations.

The Centre's teaching programme is designed to support and develop the next generation of scholars and thinkers, as well as to foster a culture of critical reflection within the wider humanitarian community.

A varied portfolio of publications, information resources and networking initiatives promotes influential engagement with a full range of academics, policymakers and practitioners.

Academic record August 2009–July 2010

This document gives details of recently completed and ongoing activities at the RSC alongside information on staffing and the Centre's finances. It provides a record of achievements and presents an overview of current priorities and research interests. Further details on specific aspects of our work can be found on the RSC website or by contacting the relevant researcher or project officer directly.

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Research

The RSC is a world leader in multidisciplinary research on forced migration. Our work contributes to pressing policy-related social concerns, as well as to conceptual and methodological academic debates. Details of recent and ongoing projects and activities are presented below. Projects are grouped on thematic lines that reflect the various interests of its researchers.

Current focal themes are:

- Environmental change and mobility
- Belonging, formal status and changes in citizenship
- Detention, deportation and the control of migration
- Lived experience of forced migrants
- State instability, development and forced migration
- Forced migration, international institutions and world politics
- Politics and practices of humanitarian response

Further details on these and newly-funded research projects can be found on the RSC website: www.rsc.ox.ac.uk.

Environmental change and mobility

Environmentally displaced people

Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Swiss Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UNHCR

September 2007–ongoing

Prof Roger Zetter

Environmental change is potentially one of the most significant generators of forced displacement. However, we know remarkably little about the interplay between climate change, environmental transformations, stresses on ecological systems, socio-economic vulnerability of lives and livelihoods and potential outcomes in terms of patterns of forced migration. These relationships are often reduced to simplistic causal explanations which deny the complex and multivariate processes – environmental, political, social and economic – at the root of forced migration. The executive summary of a four-country research project investigating how legal and normative frameworks can be used to protect environmentally displaced people has been published on the RSC website. Prof Zetter has also been funded by the MacArthur Foundation to undertake a new two-year study, commencing in April 2011, to investigate the conjuncture between environmental change, population displacement and frameworks of rights protection.

Mobile peoples and conservation

September 1999–ongoing

Dr Dawn Chatty

Dr Dawn Chatty continues research and advocacy work with mobile peoples adversely affected by aspects of global environmental governance. Mobile indigenous peoples are often excluded from accessing land they have lived off for centuries, or have their access so severely restricted that

dislocation, and in some cases forced settlement, results. The research project aims to show the importance of indigenous peoples in sustaining biodiversity. The Dana Declaration on Mobile Peoples and Conservation (www.danadeclaration.org) was officially endorsed at the 5th Congress of the International Union for Conservation of Nature in Barcelona. In 2009 Dr Chatty gave a distinguished lecture to the XVI Congress of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences in Kunming, China. This focused on the displacement of mobile peoples from their traditional grazing lands for the establishment of nature reserves.

Range enclosure on the Tibetan Plateau of China: impacts on pastoral livelihoods, marketing, livestock productivity and rangeland biodiversity

European Commission – 6th Framework

January 2007–December 2010

Dr Dawn Chatty

Dr Dawn Chatty and Dr Kenneth Bauer are working closely with five partner research institutes – two in Europe and three in China – to understand the impact that range enclosures, derived from recent government policy, have had on the sustainable livelihoods of herders on the Tibetan Plateau of China. The research has a special focus on the impacts of recent efforts to sedentarise these populations. As part of the project, the RSC hosted a three-week research training workshop in social science methods. This was co-ordinated by Dr Dawn Chatty and managed by Dr Troy Sternberg. Dr Kenneth Bauer took part in the fieldwork element of the workshop which took place in Scotland. Dr Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh also taught some of the training modules. Visit the project online at <http://retpec.macaulay.ac.uk>.

Belonging, formal status and changes in citizenship

De facto statelessness and the meaning of ‘effective nationality’

British Academy Small Grant

June 2010–November 2011

Dr Alice Edwards

This project critically examines the meaning of *de facto* statelessness and ‘effective nationality’ as they have emerged under international law and in academic literature and policy discourse. Statelessness is increasingly an issue on the international human rights agenda, and there has been an emerging body of work on this topic, not least driven by the size of the problem with an estimated 12 million persons globally living without nationality. There is also growing consensus that international law should be as much engaged with legal nationality as with whether a person’s nationality is ‘effective’, yet there has been no study about whether the statelessness regime is the appropriate mechanism to respond

to the myriad issues relating to ineffective nationality, nor is there a clear understanding of what these terms mean. The aim of this project is to articulate a legal position on these questions, as well as to feed into policy and strategic discourse and to offer some potentially alternative viewpoints to this area of growing international importance.

Gender equality, refugee women and displacement

August 2009–ongoing

Dr Alice Edwards

With the twentieth anniversary of the UNHCR's first policy on refugee women in 2010, this multi-level and ongoing project explores the development and emergence of specific policies on refugee and other displaced women and their implementation at the field level in order to explore new methodologies and theories about gender, human rights, and refugee women. It is particularly interested in the role and impact of international human rights standards relating to women within the displacement and statelessness contexts. Outputs have included a background paper prepared for the first ever joint seminar held between the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees and the UN Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women and a special issue of the *Refugee Survey Quarterly* on gender equality and refugee women which included a contribution by Dr Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh.

Mapping contemporary Roma mobilities in the EU

John Fell Oxford University Press Research Fund

March 2009–April 2011

Dr Nando Sigona and Prof Roger Zetter

In the last two decades large groups of Roma have migrated from Central, Eastern and Southeast Europe towards the more affluent countries of the European Union. These groups often have no certain legal status, no access to formal employment, live in precarious circumstances and have limited or no access to healthcare. Furthermore, they often face xenophobic and discriminatory treatment from the resident population and are sometimes the victims of violent racially-motivated attacks. The main aim of research is to map the variety and directions of contemporary Roma movements into, out of and within the EU, including both economic and 'forced' migration, as well as forced or voluntary repatriation. An international conference, 'Romani mobilities in Europe', took place on 14–15 January 2010 and in May 2010, *Romani Politics in Contemporary Europe: Poverty, Ethnic Mobilization and the Neoliberal Order*, a new publication, was launched at the Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars in Washington, DC. Forthcoming are two special issues on the contemporary mobility and governance of Romani minorities for the *Journal of Ethnic and Migration Studies* and the *Journal of Modern Italian Studies*.

Detention, deportation and the control of migration

Conditional citizenship: denationalisation and the liberal state in historical, political and ethical perspective

January 2009–ongoing

Dr Matthew J Gibney

This project examines the historical, political and normative contours of the practice of denationalisation (the involuntary withdrawal of nationality/citizenship) by liberal democratic states. Taking as its point of departure recent attempts across Western states to assert the conditionality of citizenship (especially in the aftermath of September 11), this work explores the twentieth century history of denationalisation in liberal states, with particular emphasis on the contrasting experiences of the UK and the United States. The normative justifications for conceptualising citizenship as a status conditional upon a certain standard of behaviour are also explored, in part by drawing on discussions of banishment in the historical of political thought, as well as more accounts of the value and meaning of citizenship in contemporary political thought. Outputs have included several paper presentations, listed under Dr Gibney in the publications section of this report.

Deportation and the development of citizenship

John Fell Oxford University Press Research Fund

December 2008–December 2009

Dr Matthew J Gibney and Dr Emanuela Paoletti

A collaboration with Dr Bridget Anderson (COMPAS), this research examines how deportation reinforces, re-constitutes and destabilises citizenship. In the past decade, deportation, broadly understood as the enforced and authorised removal of non-citizens from state territory, has been on the rise across a range of Western states, including the US, Israel, Germany and Canada. Through empirically grounded and theoretically informed analysis the project attempts to show that deportation reflects and generates important, yet hitherto largely ignored, changes in how citizenship is conceptualised, practised, accessed and valued. A one day workshop in May 2009 'Expulsion, membership and political community: Historical and multi-disciplinary perspectives' anticipated a larger international conference on deportation and the development of citizenship which took place on 11 and 12 December 2009. This event further encouraged interdisciplinary and comparative scholarship on deportation. A special edition of the journal *Citizenship Studies* edited by Gibney, Anderson and Paoletti on the subject of 'Deportation and citizenship' is forthcoming in 2011.

Refugee Status Determination and Rights in South and East Africa

The Commonwealth Foundation

May 2010–December 2010

Dr Alice Edwards

This project centres on the development of a two-day workshop discussion on the state of refugee status determination (RSD) and refugee rights in South and East Africa, generously funded by the Commonwealth Foundation. It is aimed at practitioners and academics working on RSD, refugee rights and related themes in Kenya, Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Tanzania, Uganda and Zambia, countries where governments have assumed full or at least some responsibility for carrying out RSD from UNHCR. The project will promote the sharing of knowledge, experiences and insights with a view to building capacity around refugee rights across the region. It also constitutes the first stage in the development of a collaborative research project, which will investigate the impact on refugee rights of the increasing assumption by governments in sub-Saharan Africa of responsibility for RSD, with particular emphasis on whether this handover process has enhanced refugee rights, the political context in which it has occurred and the extent to which new domestic refugee legal frameworks meet international standards.

Rethinking immigration detention: exploring the alternatives

August 2009–ongoing

Dr Alice Edwards

In 2006 UNHCR released a study on Alternatives to Detention (ATD), co-authored by Ophelia Field and Dr Alice Edwards, containing examples of ATD projects and programmes in more than 30 countries. The research for this study was done in 2003–2004. Since then significant developments have taken place regarding the legal framework on detention as well as in relation to trialing and implementing alternatives to immigration detention of asylum-seekers and irregular migrants. Countries have initiated pilot projects to implement ATD and recently have shown a keen interest in further exploring the development and implementation of such projects. The main objective of this study is to comprehensively analyse the current international legal framework and detention standards relating to detention in the immigration and asylum context. The study will furthermore include an analysis of existing examples of alternatives to immigration detention of asylum-seekers, stateless persons and others on the basis of selective examples. It will identify the challenges and offer concrete recommendations or action points on the development, implementation, monitoring and sustainability of ATD-projects. Outputs to date include a thematic national legal study on the rights of irregular immigrants in voluntary and involuntary return procedures in the UK and a co-authored study of alternatives to detention of asylum seekers and refugees for the UNHCR.

Lived experience of forced migrants

A health needs assessment for asylum seekers and other detainees in immigration removal centres in the UK

John Fell Oxford University Press Research Fund

May 2010–September 2010 (Pilot phase)

Dr Dawn Chatty, Dr Susan Zimmerman and Dr. Marie Norredam (Institute of Public Health, University of Copenhagen)

In collaboration with the Department of Primary Health Care at the University of Oxford, the RSC aims to undertake a comprehensive health needs assessment for asylum seekers and other detainees in immigration removal centres (IRCs) run under contract to the UK Border Agency of the Home Office by either private companies or the prison service. The pilot study focused on former detained asylum seekers who have since remained in the UK, and developed a standard questionnaire for assessing health needs of detainees and an interview guide for semi-formal and focus group interviewing about health care delivery in IRCs. In addition, the pilot study helped to assess the scope of translation services which may be required, identified ethical concerns regarding informed consent and determined likely response rates to the questionnaire surveys, semi-formal and focus group interviewing to be used in the national study. The team is currently preparing a paper on these methodological and ethical issues for publication in a public health journal as well as preparing a large grant request to conduct a nationwide study.

Iraq's refugees: predicaments, perceptions and aspirations

January 2008–ongoing

Dr Dawn Chatty

In collaboration with the French research institutes in Damascus and Amman (IFPO) as well as the University of East London, University of Geneva and the University of Stockholm, Dr Dawn Chatty is leading a research bid to examine the current perceptions, predicaments (social, political and legal) and aspirations of Iraqi refugees in Syria, Jordan, Switzerland, Sweden and the UK. This proposal builds on the 2008 workshop 'Iraqi refugees in the Levant: addressing the protection crisis'. The findings of the research have been published in English and Arabic as an RSC Policy Brief, 'Iraq's refugees – beyond 'tolerance'', available on the RSC website.

MICROCON: a micro-level analysis of violent conflict

European Commission – 6th Framework

January 2007–December 2011

Prof Roger Zetter, Dr Anna Lindley and Dr Susan Zimmermann

The purpose of this multi-centre programme, led by the Institute of Development Studies at Sussex University, is to explore the individual, household and group interactions leading to and resulting from conflicts. Prof Zetter is leading work on migration and displacement, exploring the dynamics

of conflict and migration in the Somali regions and in the European Union. The first phase of field research included a micro-level study of a small sample of people seeking refuge in Somaliland. The current phase of the field research looks at processes of settlement in Europe. Exploring case studies of Somali refugees in the UK and the Netherlands, it asks whether and how conflict in sending areas may serve to mediate their situations elsewhere. The overall analysis of this work seeks to locate these micro-level realities in the context of wider political economies, at national, regional and global levels.

Young undocumented migrants in the UK

Paul Hamlyn Foundation

April 2007–December 2010

Prof Roger Zetter and Dr Nando Sigona

As part of the Paul Hamlyn Foundation's Social Justice Programme, this project explored the social and economic lives of young undocumented migrants from their own perspectives. Based in London, the West Midlands and the Northwest of England, the study focused on the voices of young undocumented migrants through testimonies and in-depth interviews to understand at first hand the complexity of their life processes, decisions and choices. The research was undertaken as a partnership between Prof Roger Zetter and Dr Nando Sigona at the RSC, and Prof Alice Bloch at the Department of Sociology at City University, London. The final report, *'No Right to Dream': The Social and Economic Lives of Undocumented Migrants in Britain* is now available at www.staff.city.ac.uk/yum.

State instability, development and forced migration

Mobile peoples and the politics of oil

September 1999–ongoing

Dr Dawn Chatty

Social performance among oil and gas companies has become a key concept in the search for sound global development and investment policies. This research initiative explores both the range of approaches that resource-based multinationals undertake to include affected mobile indigenous communities among their stakeholders and the responses of these communities who are frequently highly mobile and poorly organised to voice their interests and claim their rights. These responses range from resistance to being moved off their lands, to the partial take-up of compensation and other offerings. A case study 'The Mobile Pastoralists of Oman: Adapting to Multinational Oil exploration' has been presented at numerous international seminars and meetings and is available in Dr Chatty's edited volume, *Nomadic Societies in the Middle East and North Africa: Entering the 21st Century*.

The PRS Project: towards solutions for protracted refugee situations

Ford Foundation, US Institute for Peace, British Academy, Nuffield Foundation

January 2005–December 2009

Prof Gil Loescher

Prof Gil Loescher and Dr James Milner (Carleton University) have co-directed this project initially at the Centre for International Studies, University of Oxford and for the period from 2007–2009, at the Refugee Studies Centre. The goal was to contribute policy-relevant research to the emerging global debate on the resolution of chronic refugee situations, their link to peace-building efforts, and the challenges they pose to host states and regions in the Global South. Fieldwork was conducted in Burundi, Guinea, Kenya, Tanzania and Thailand. Coordinated dissemination and advocacy of the central findings to policymakers and practitioners constituted a major part of the project. The resulting volume, *Protracted Refugee Situations: Political, Human Rights and Security Implications*, edited by Gil Loescher, James Milner, Edward Newman and Gary Troeller (United Nations University Press), presents new thinking to address protracted refugee situations and attempts to reconcile the policy difficulties which have obstructed progress for many years. During 2009–2010, Milner made several presentations in Canada and at the UN Peacebuilding Commission in New York on integrating responses to protracted refugee situations within the UN peacebuilding context. Loescher and Milner published the lead article 'Understanding the challenge' in the *Forced Migration Review* special issue on protracted displacement in September 2009. Loescher and Milner also prepared a policy brief on the 2009 Excom Conclusion on protracted refugee situations to be published by the RSC.

Forced migration, international institutions and world politics

Refugees in international relations

John D and Catherine T MacArthur Foundation

October 2008–October 2009

Prof Gil Loescher

During the academic year 2008–2009, Prof Gil Loescher together with Dr Alexander Betts co-directed a research project on 'Refugees in international relations' under the auspices of the Global Migration Governance Project. The aim was to bring refugees and forced migration within the mainstream study of International Relations. Fifteen leading academics and researchers from the UK, Europe and North America prepared and presented papers in a two-term public seminar series, jointly convened by the Centre for International Studies and the Refugee Studies Centre at the University of Oxford. A number of the speakers also presented their work in linked panels at the

International Studies Association meetings in New York in February 2009. Dr Alexander Betts and Prof Gil Loescher have since published a co-edited volume of papers entitled *Refugees in International Relations* (Oxford University Press).

Politics and practices of humanitarian response

The humanitarian challenge of urban areas

September 2008–ongoing

Prof Roger Zetter

With the recognition that urban areas already are, and increasingly will be, where humanitarian needs are to be met, humanitarian actors and agencies are increasingly directing their attention to cities and towns in the Global South and are pursuing urban policy initiatives. The scale of rapid and uncontrolled urbanisation, often in hazard-prone locations, and the socio-economic and spatial complexity of urban areas create vulnerability. Overcrowding and poor living conditions compound these vulnerabilities. Cities are also increasingly places of violence, contestation and displacement. Increasing numbers of IDPs and refugees migrate to cities destined for already marginalised communities in informal settlements and city slums. A UN Task Force, established by the UN's Inter-Agency Standing Committee (IASC) and coordinated by UNHabitat has been developing a strategy for 'Managing the humanitarian challenges in urban areas'. Prof Zetter has been a special advisor to the Task Force working on analysis of these challenges and in developing the IASC strategy. Some outputs for the research were published in Issue 34 of *Forced Migration Review* 'Adapting to Urban Displacement' in February 2010.

Improving access to and quality of reproductive and child healthcare for marginal peoples

European Commission – 6th Framework

January 2006–December 2010

Dr Dawn Chatty and Nisrine Mansour

Dr Dawn Chatty and Prof Gillian Hundt (Warwick University) received this International Cooperation research grant to assess healthcare delivery to marginal and difficult-to-reach peoples. The five-year study sets out to assess the current reproductive and child health status, behaviour and practices of marginal pastoral peoples (the Bedouin). The second stage of the Lebanon Bedouin Health Project is to disseminate its preliminary results to all stakeholders. The aim of these dissemination meetings is to use these preliminary findings to propose and develop 'model' interventions. The project is now closing its third and final phase which is to implement the model interventions as agreed upon by the various stakeholders – including the training and management of community health volunteers. This participatory approach to developing interventions with the communities concerned will, it is hoped, result in the creation of sustainable solutions

for improving reproductive and child health care service for marginalised populations, such as Lebanon's Bedouin community.

Palestinian children

Rockefeller Foundation and East-West Foundation

January 2005–January 2010

Dr Jason Hart

This project began with a one-year Rockefeller-funded fellowship (2004–2005) at the Anthropology Department, Johns Hopkins University, during which time Dr Hart participated in a programme under the title 'Child on the wing' led by Professors Pamela Reynolds and Veena Das. Further work has been developed with funding from the East-West Foundation. This has involved a multidisciplinary study of the conditions of everyday life and the responses of Palestinian children. The findings of the research, conducted with ClaudiaLo Forte were published in English and Arabic as an RSC Policy Brief, 'Protecting Palestinian children from political violence: the role of the international community'. The brief is available on the RSC website.

Doctoral research supervised by RSC staff

The Centre's academic staff supervise a range of candidates undertaking research degrees at the Oxford Department of International Development and other University of Oxford centres. They also provide external supervision to candidates based elsewhere. Students come from different academic disciplines including development studies, politics and international relations, social and cultural anthropology, geography and psychology. Further information on DPhil Studies within the Oxford Department of International Development is available at www.qeh.ox.ac.uk.

Rebecca Brubaker

Green Templeton College

From the un-mixing to the re-mixing of peoples: the impact of evolving norms on post-conflict population management in Bosnia
Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter

Narae Choi

St Antony's College

'Hidden' losers of development-induced displacement and resettlement: uncovering broader developmental impacts of urban infrastructure projects in the Philippines
Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter

Jane Chun

Green Templeton College

Environmental stress, health, and migration: a study of the Mekong Delta and Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam
Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter with Dr Peter Hornby

Abby Hardgrove

Exeter College

Youth transitions to adulthood in post-war Liberia
Supervised by Dr Dawn Chatty and Dr Jo Boyden (Young Lives, Oxford Department of International Development)

Paul Kadetz

Green College

Determining sustainable health policies: an analysis of the World Health Organisation's policy for the integration of local health care and practitioners into the formal state biomedical health care system in the Philippines
Supervised by Dr Dawn Chatty

Andrew Kim

Magdalen College

Transnational advocacy networks and humanitarian intervention
Supervised by Prof Gil Loescher

Sean Loughna

St Antony's College

A comparative analysis of the socioeconomic impact of conflict and development-induced displacement in Colombia
Supervised by Dr Dawn Chatty and Prof Jenny Pearce (University of Bradford)

Eveliina Lyytinen

Green Templeton College

Geographical scales and imaginations of city space in urban forced migration experience, protection and governance
Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter

James Morrissey

New College

Environmental change and human migration: a comparative political ecology of migration in northern Ethiopia
Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter

Cora Neumann

Green College

Indigenous support networks as a counterbalancing influence to psycho-social and health consequences of forced migration: a study of the Thai-Burma border
Supervised by Dr Dawn Chatty with Prof Gerry Bodeker (Nuffield Department of Clinical Medicine)

Andrea Purdekova

Lady Margaret Hall

Resettlement, reconciliation and memory in divided communities: Rwanda's Ingando policy in a comparative perspective
Co-Supervised by Prof Roger Zetter and Dr Patricia Daley (School of Geography and the Environment)

Richard Ratcliffe

Oriental Institute and St Anthony's College

Non-formal education and identity formation among the Bedouin of the Negev
Supervised by Dr Dawn Chatty with Dr Ann Childs (Department of Education)

Young-Ju Rhee

St Antony's College

South Korean citizenship policy reforms 1997-present
Supervised by Dr Matthew J Gibney

Stephanie Silverman

Department Politics and International Relations and St Antony's College

Refugee groups as new sites of sovereign politics
Supervised by Dr Matthew J Gibney

Visiting fellows

Visiting Fellowships at the RSC are open to senior practitioners and policymakers who wish to spend a period of study and reflection in an academic environment and to PhD (DPhil) students, post-doctoral scholars and professional academics researching aspects of forced migration. Fellowships are normally held for one term of the Oxford academic year, with the possibility of extension for up to two more terms.

Further details are available at the RSC website.

Edward Benson

UNHCR

Benson spent two terms at the RSC developing two papers: the first on the IDP problem in Sri Lanka and why and how the Deng principles and norms need revision; the second about the various costs and benefits of confidence-building measures, for both practitioners and analysts.

Prof Linda Briskman

Dr Haruhisa Handa Chair of Human Rights Education, Curtin University of Technology, Australia

Prof Briskman compared the British and Australian experiences of the detention of asylum seekers including the policies and practices, the ideological underpinnings and the resistance and opposition to the concept of immigration detention.

Vanessa Holzer

PhD candidate in the Faculty of Law, University of Frankfurt, Germany

Holzer spent the academic year 2009–2010 at the RSC researching for her doctoral thesis, which analyses the meaning and scope of the refugee definition in Article 1A (2) of the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees in times of armed conflict.

Dr Rajith Lakshman

Senior Lecturer in Economics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Dr Lakshman's developed his research on conflict-induced displacement in Sri Lanka and the financing of the resettlement process.

Jay Marlow

PhD Candidate, School of Social Work, Flinders University, Australia

Marlow conducted doctoral research on Sudanese refugees' responses to trauma from forced migration, focusing on Southern Sudanese men resettling in Adelaide.

Julia Bertino Moreira

PhD candidate, Department of Political Science, University of Campinas, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Moreira's research focused on the refugee policy adopted in Brazil during the Cardoso and Lula da Silva governments.

Dr James C Simeon

Assistant Professor, School of Public Policy and Administration at York University Toronto, Canada

Dr Simeon worked on a collaborative and comparative international research project that examined the application of international human rights, humanitarian, and criminal law to refugee status adjudication in the UK, USA, Australia, New Zealand and Canada.

Workshops, conferences and events

The RSC convenes a variety of meetings for the discussion and development of research and policy issues affecting forced migrants. Conferences and workshops bring together a range of researchers, policymakers and practitioners to discuss emerging themes and issues. The long-running weekly seminar series and annual public lectures attract prominent speakers to address particular topics of interest and concern. RSC staff members also participate in and present their work at a broad range of conferences, seminars, special lectures and international meetings.

Further details on both forthcoming and recently held events, including background papers and conference reports, are available on the RSC website.

Conferences and workshops

Burning issues in protection – the way forward?

Seminar, 4 June 2010, Copenhagen

Convened by the RSC in collaboration with the Humanitarian Policy Group at the Overseas Development Institute (HPG)

This seminar took place at the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Copenhagen. It was arranged to follow up on the key conclusions of the international conference on 'Protecting people in conflict and crisis: responding to the challenges of a changing world' which took place from 22–24 September 2009. This conference was funded by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs which was held in connection with the launch of its new humanitarian strategy for 2010–2015. The seminar brought together a small working group with people from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, DanChurchAid, the Danish Refugee Council, Danida, HPG/ODI and the Refugee Studies Centre.

Iraq's refugees – beyond 'tolerance'

Regional presentation, 13 April 2010, Amman

Convened by Dr Dawn Chatty and Héloïse Ruaudel with the Regional Human Security Centre (RHSC), Jordan

The RSC presented its Forced Migration Policy Briefing 4, 'Iraq's refugees – beyond 'tolerance''. Over 100 participants from the region attended, including researchers, representatives of governments, UN agencies, international and non-governmental organisations and Iraqi refugees. The authors of the briefing, Dr Philip Marfleet and Dr Dawn Chatty, encouraged the participants to deepen their knowledge of, and remain committed to addressing, the protracted Iraqi displacement crisis. The RSC and the RHSC intend to pursue their respective research on Iraqi displacement while extending their collaboration in addressing the situation of Palestinian refugees.

Romani mobilities in Europe

International conference, 14–15 January 2010, Oxford

Convened by Dr Nando Sigona and Prof Roger Zetter

The conference was part of 'Mapping Romani mobilities in Europe,' a two-year research project funded by the John Fell Oxford University Press Research Fund. The main aim of the conference was to bring together scholars and students from across a variety of disciplines to discuss the multiple dimensions and impacts of Romani mobilities in Europe. Proceedings and selected podcasts and papers are available on the RSC website.

Deportation and the development of citizenship

International conference, 11–12 December 2009, Oxford

Convened by Dr Matthew J Gibney, Dr Emanuela Paoletti and Dr Bridget Anderson (COMPAS)

This international conference on deportation and the development of citizenship was part of a project funded by the John Fell Oxford University Press Fund. The presence of international experts on deportation, such as Prof Daniel Kanstroom, Prof Antje Ellermann and Prof Guy Goodwin-Gill, plus representatives from the UK Home Office, the International Organisation for Migration and advocacy groups enabled a rich and lively discussion and encouraged interdisciplinary and comparative scholarship on deportation. The issues addressed included aspects of immigration law, deportability, resistance to deportation and what happens after deportation. Many of the presentations are available as online working papers. A special edition of the journal *Citizenship Studies* edited by Gibney, Anderson and Paoletti on the subject of 'Deportation and citizenship' is forthcoming in 2011.

Protecting people in conflict and crisis

International conference, 22–24 September 2009, Oxford

Convened by Prof Roger Zetter, Simon Addison and Héloïse Ruaudel in collaboration with the Humanitarian Policy Group at the Overseas Development Institute (HPG)

The conference brought together over 180 participants – researchers, humanitarian practitioners and policy makers – from more than 50 countries to review the state of policy and practice in the field of humanitarian protection. It considered six thematic tracks, ranging from the conceptualisation of 'protection' within international policy-making processes and the politics of delivering protection programmes at the global, regional and national level, to analysing community's perceptions of protection and revisiting more practical issues relating to the implementation of protection activities. This conference was generously supported by the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, UK Department of International Development and UNHCR. Many of the presentations are available on the RSC website.

Public lectures

Annual Elizabeth Colson Lecture 2010, 26 May 2010

Prof Saskia Sassen

Robert S. Lynd Professor of Sociology and Member, The Committee on Global Thought, Columbia University
The complexity of powerlessness: what makes human rights law perform?

10th Annual Harrell-Bond Lecture 2009, 18 November 2009

Prof Jan Egeland

Former United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Coordinator, Director of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs
Beyond blankets: in search of political deals and durable solutions for the displaced

Wednesday public seminars

These public seminars take place in Oxford at 5pm every Wednesday during term time. Full details can be found at: www.rsc.ox.ac.uk

Michaelmas 2009

'The Politics of Refugee Voices'
Convenor: Dr Nando Sigona

'Bystanders' to violence: the politics of visibility and invisibility during conflict and post-conflict

Dr Giorgia Doná
University of East London

'Like a man on earth': listening to migrant voices from the Horn of Africa including a screening of the award winning documentary 'Like a man on earth'

Prof Alessandro Triulzi
University of Naples L'Orientale

Voices at the intersections: asylum, integration and the struggle for the public sphere

Dr Leah Bassel
City University, London

The refugee voice and the problems of representation

Dr John Nassari
University of East London

The formation of social identities among refugees and migrants: Trajectories and intersections

Prof Robin Cohen
International Migration Institute, University of Oxford

From the American dream to maximum security lockdown: the muzzled voices of 'illegal' refugees in the 'American South'

Prof Robert Barsky
Vanderbilt University

Virtual space – territorial place: the internet, Palestinian diaspora, and the construction of an imagined community

Dr Miriyam Aouragh
Oxford Internet Institute, University of Oxford

Hilary 2010

Convenors: Dr Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh and Dr Emanuela Paoletti

Prima facie refugee status determination and what it isn't: Temporary protection, mass influx and group determination

Matthew Albert
Faculty of Law, University of Oxford

Communicating the refugee experience outside of academia: lessons learned

Christine Bacon
Director of IceandFire

Forcing the issue: Uneasy dialogues between refugee research and policy

Dr Nick Van Hear
COMPAS, University of Oxford

The UK Border Agency and the use of evidence-based policy

Cathy Gardner
UK Home Office

Protecting Palestinian children: Whose concepts? Whose politics?

Dr Jason Hart
University of Bath

Human security and non-citizens: Law, policy and international affairs

Carla Ferstman
Director of REDRESS
Dr. Alice Edwards
RSC, University of Oxford

Whither the refugee? The dynamics of displacement in East and Central Africa

Dr Patricia Daley
School of Geography and the Environment, University of Oxford

'Refugee manipulation': The use and abuse of research in forced migration

Dr Philip Marfleet
University of East London

Trinity 2010

Convenor: Dr Matthew J Gibney

Deterritorialized youth: Afghan and Sahrawi refugees at the margins of the Middle East

Dr Dawn Chatty
RSC, University of Oxford
Dr Elena Fiddian-Qasbiyeh
RSC, University of Oxford
Sarah Kamal
London School of Economics

Statelessness and other protection gaps

Prof Guy Goodwin-Gill
All Souls, University of Oxford

Climate change and migration: Theoretical and methodological challenges

Prof Etienne Piguet
Université de Neuchâtel

States without nations: The future of free movement

Prof Jacqueline Stevens
University of California – Santa Barbara

Conferences and events attended

Dawn Chatty

Lecture, Palestinian module, International Summer School on Forced Migration, RSC, University of Oxford 19–20 July 2010

Workshop discussant, 'Palestinian refugee youth', Regional Human Security Centre, Amman, 5–8 July 2010

Keynote speaker, International Summer School on Forced Migration, RSC, University of Oxford, 5 July 2010

Working group consultations, Out-of-Detention Health Project with Dr Susan Zimmermann and Dr Marie Louise Nørredam, University of Copenhagen Department of Public Health, 7 June 2010

Keynote lecture, 'Dispossession and displacement: Forced migration in the Middle East and North Africa: Is the past prologue?' Council for British Research in the Levant, British Academy, 25 May 2010

Co-organiser, 'EU Bedouin Health Project – regional workshop', Istanbul, 17 May 2010

Presentation, *Displacement and Dispossession in the Modern Middle East*, book launch, Middle East Centre, St Antony's College, University of Oxford, 10 May 2010

Presentation, *Deterritorialized Youth: Sahrawi and Afghan Refugees at the Margins of the Middle East*, book launch, RSC, University of Oxford, 28 April 2010

Presentation, 'Iraqis refugees: Beyond 'tolerance'', RSC Policy Briefing launch event, Amman, 13 April 2010

Paper, 'Rejecting authenticity in modern nation-states: Development processes in the Jiddat-il-Harasiis, Oman', State of the Art: Anthropology of the Middle East and North Africa Conference, Center for Near East Studies, University of California at Los Angeles, 1–3 April 2010

Lecture, 'Displacement and dispossession in the modern Middle East', Center for Near East Studies, University of California at Los Angeles, 12 January 2010

Participant, Middle East Studies Association conference, 23–25 November 2009

Discussant, 'Studying Islam in the public sphere', conference, Leiden, The Netherlands, 3–4 November 2009

Presentation, 'Youth among the Sahrawi, Palestinian, and Afghan refugees', Children in Crisis: An International Conference, University of California at Berkeley, 29 October–1 November 2009

Presentation, 'Creating partnerships with academia', UNICEF regional meeting, Amman, Jordan, 28–30 September 2009

Distinguished lecture, 'Authenticity in desert landscapes: Case study in the Sultanate of Oman', 16th World Congress of the International Union of Anthropological and Ethnological Sciences, Kunming, China, 25 July–1 August 2009

Alice Edwards

Course coordinator, 'International protection of refugees and IDPs', for Oxford University and George Washington University Summer School on International Human Rights Law, Faculty of Law, University of Oxford, 13 July–5 August 2010

Presentation, 'Alternatives to immigration detention', UNHCR–NGO Consultations, Geneva, 29 June 2010

Invited expert, International Detention Coalition – Annual Meeting, Geneva, 28 June 2010

Presentation, 'Training Thai judges on women's rights', Nottingham Human Rights Law Centre, 23 June 2010

Presenter and Session Chair, Burning issues in protection – the way forward? Special seminar, Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Copenhagen, 4 June 2010

Presentation, 'Alternatives to detention', Jesuit Refugee Service Conference, Brussels, 6–8 June 2010

Participant, UNHCR Expert Meeting on Statelessness – On the definition of a 'stateless person' and the meaning of de facto statelessness, Prato, Italy, 26–28 May 2010

Invited speaker, 'Peter Pan's fairies and genie bottles: The UN human rights treaty bodies and supervision of the 1951 Convention', York University, Center for Refugee Studies, 18–20 May 2010

Trainer, Fundamentals of International Human Rights Law course, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, various sessions 2010

Organiser, MSc study tour of international organisations in the field of forced migration, Geneva, 13–16 March 2010

Lecture, International Refugee Law class to Chevening Scholars, Nottingham Human Rights Law Centre, 26 February 2010

Keynote speaker, 16 Days of Activism on Violence against Women – launch event, UNHCR Geneva, 26 November 2009

Expert participant, Michigan Colloquium on International Refugee Law on the Right to Work, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 12–15 November 2009

Attended, seminar on 'The Geneva Conventions and protection of vulnerable groups', BICCL, London, 2 November 2009

Expert consultant, 'Gender equality and women's rights', Norwegian Research Council meeting, Oslo, 26–27 October 2009

Paper, 'The equal right to a nationality and questions of statelessness under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women', Protecting People in Conflict and Crisis – international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 22–24 September 2009

Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh

Presentation, *Deterritorialized Youth: Sahrawi and Afghan Refugees at the Margins of the Middle East*, book launch, RSC, University of Oxford, Oxford, 28 April 2010

Lecture, 'Violence against refugee women: a North African case-study' seminar introducing a chapter for *Global Perspectives on War, Gender and Health: The Sociology and Anthropology of Suffering*, book launch, School of Health and Social Studies, University of Warwick, 3 March 2010

Panel chair and discussant, 'After deportation', Deportation and the Development of Citizenship conference, RSC and COMPAS, University of Oxford, 11 December 2009

Lecture, 'Educational migration to Cuba: Experiences and expectations of Muslim Middle Eastern and North African students in Havana', Centre for Diaspora and Migration Studies, School of Oriental and African Studies, 2 December 2009

Keynote lecture, 'Globalisation for whom? An introduction to forced migration', Lecture and debate for Further Education 'Access' students, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, November 2009

Paper, 'The transnational political mobilisation of Sahrawi refugee youth', Explaining Diaspora Politics conference, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, October 2009

Panel chair and discussant, 'Muslim and Jewish diasporas', Explaining Diaspora Politics conference, School of Oriental and African Studies, University of London, October 2009

Matthew Gibney

Paper, 'Citizens into aliens: Denationalisation in ethical perspective', Citizenship in a Globalised World: Perspectives from the Immigrant Democracies conference, Harvard/University New South Wales, Sydney, 13 July 2010

Keynote lecture, 'The Liberal case for free movement', International Summer School in Forced Migration, RSC, University of Oxford, July 2010

Lecture, 'Research session: forced migration and citizenship', RSC, University of Oxford, 2 June 2010

Paper, 'A very transcendental power': the deprivation of citizenship in Britain in historical perspective', Seminar Series in Migration and Diaspora Studies, SOAS, University of London, 24 February 2010

Paper, 'Denationalisation in ethical perspective', Ethics of International Migration Management workshop, University Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Spain, May 2010

Lecture, 'The normative and political contours of statelessness', RSC Short Course on Statelessness, University of Oxford, March 2010

Paper, 'Deporting the disloyal? The deprivation of citizenship in the UK since 2001', Deportation and the Development of Citizenship conference, RSC and COMPAS, University of Oxford, 11 December 2009

Lecture, 'The ethics of deportation', UK Home Office, London, September 2009 and December 2009

Gil Loescher

Chair and discussant, 'Experiences on the ground', Deportation and the Development of Citizenship conference, RSC and COMPAS, University of Oxford, 11–12 December 2009

Participant, Viva panel, European University Institute, Florence, November 2009

Panel chair, Protecting People in Conflict and Crisis international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 22–24 September 2009

Nisrine Mansour

Paper, 'Faith-Based Organisations and displacement in securitised contexts: What makes for an effective response?' Aid, NGOs and Development: Revising the Research Agenda, Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford, 2 June 2010

Lecture, 'NGOs, religion and Faith Based Organisations', Department for Social Policy, London School of Economics, 9 March 2010

Paper, 'Protecting refugees and governing spaces: The case of the reconstruction of the Nahr Al Bared Palestinian refugee camp', Sussex Migration Seminar Series Spring Term 2010, Geography Department, University of Sussex, 3 March 2010

Lecture, 'Only 'civilians' count: the influence of Global War on Terror discourses on governments' humanitarian responses to terror-related conflicts', *Civil society under strain: counter-terrorism policy, civil society, and aid post-9/11* book launch, London School of Economics, 24 February 2010

Paper (co-authored), 'The influence of the Global War on Terror regime on governmental humanitarian assistance', 43rd Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Boston, 21–24 November 2009

Paper, 'Only 'civilians' count: The influence of the Global War on Terror regime on governmental humanitarian assistance', 43rd Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Boston, 21–24 November 2009

Paper, 'Gender at the margins: Bedouin women's perceptions of health provision in Lebanon', 43rd Annual Meeting of the Middle East Studies Association, Boston, 21–24 November 2009

Paper, 'Post-conflict refugee protection as techniques of exclusion and confinement: the case of the reconstruction process of Nahr El-Barid Palestinian refugee camp in Lebanon', Protecting people in Conflict and Crisis international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 22–24 September 2009

Lecture, 'Leadership in civil society', Young Women Leaders Academy in the Middle East, National Democratic Institute, Doha, Qatar, 27 July–2 August 2009

Lecture, 'Designing and implementing advocacy campaigns', Young Women Leaders Academy in the Middle East, National Democratic Institute, Doha, Qatar, 27 July–2 August 2009

Nando Sigona

Organiser and speaker, 'Europeanisation of the Roma issue' workshop, Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford, 1–2 July 2010

Speaker, 'The legal status of Roma and Sinti in Italy', international conference, University of Milan Bicocca, 16–18 June 2010

Invited participant, 'The Impact of External Conflict and Local Politics on UK Communities', Joseph Rowntree Foundation advisory board meeting, London, 15 June 2010

Presenter, book launch, Woodrow Wilson International Centre for Scholars, Washington DC, 12–13 May 2010

Speaker, European Task Force on Irregular Migration, organised by the French Institute of International Relations, 23 April 2010

Broadcast interview, 'Romani politics in contemporary Europe', RAI Radio 1, 10 April 2010

Broadcast interview 'Roma and Sinti,' RAI Radio 3 (Fahrenheit), 8 April 2010

Lecture, "Via gli zingari dall'Italy! [Gypsies out of Italy!]" : Institutional discrimination and social exclusion of Roma and Sinti in Italy', Forum 10, The Centre for Citizenship, Identities and Governance, Open University, 2 February 2010

Paper, 'Social lives and social network of young undocumented migrants in Britain', Migration Research Seminar Series, University of Sussex, Brighton, 27 January 2010

Convener, 'Romani mobilities in Europe: multidisciplinary perspectives', international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 14–15 January 2010

Paper, 'Understanding migrant experiences', ESRC workshop series, University of Swansea, 6 October 2009

Paper, 'Roma, Ashkali and Egyptians in post independence Kosovo, conflicting state imaginations and the 'other minorities'', Protecting people in Conflict and Crisis international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 22–24 September 2009

Roger Zetter

Appointed member, Advisory Board of the International Nansen Conference on Climate Change and Displacement, the Royal Norwegian Ministry of Environment, July 2010

Presentation, 'Current and possible future systems for regionally displaced peoples', British Embassy, Paris, 20 April 2010

Invited lecture, 'Climate change and displacement: Rights protection and humanitarian challenges', British Embassy/AFD/MAEE Seminar, Paris, April 2010

Lecture, 'Population and migration', Christ Church Special Interest Lecture, Oxford, 16 April 2010

Lecture, 'Climate displacement', seminar with EU Justice and Home Affairs Counselors, ECRE, Brussels, 13 April 2010

Invited lecture, 'Climate change and displacement: the challenge of protecting environmentally displaced people', Geneva Centre for Peace and Security, Geneva, March 2010

Presentation, 'The humanitarian (and developmental) challenge in urban areas', Forum for Development, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Oslo, 1 March 2010

Invited lecture, 'From camps to cities: the urbanisation of refugees and IDPs', Norwegian Institute of International Affairs, Oslo, February 2010

Invited lecture, 'The humanitarian and development challenges of urban areas', Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Oslo, February 2010

Co-convenor, "Why can't we call them refugees?" The complexity of environmental dimensions in humanitarian crises and population displacement' seminar at the Smith School of Enterprise and the Environment and the Skoll Centre for Social Entrepreneurship, University of Oxford, 23 November 2009

Susan Zimmermann

Paper, 'Somali refugees' integrations and lives: a qualitative study in London and the Netherlands', ESF Exploratory Workshop: In/equality for Third Country Nationals: Implementation and Effects of EU Directives on Migration and Asylum, Oxford Brookes University, 29 June 2010

Paper, 'Somalia's ongoing conflict and how it affects refugees' integrations and lives: a qualitative study in London and the Netherlands', MICROCON workshop, University of Ghent, 14–15 June 2010

Paper, 'Reconsidering the 'problem' of 'bogus' refugees with 'socioeconomic motivations' for seeking asylum', Forced Migration and Mobilities Research workshop, Institute for Advance Studies, Lancaster University, 4 December 2009

Paper, 'Challenges of living in a conflict-affected area: are new responses needed for new refugees?', Protecting People in Conflict and Crisis international conference, RSC, University of Oxford, 22–24 September 2009

Teaching

Master of Science (MSc) in Refugee and Forced Migration Studies

The MSc in Refugee and Forced Migration studies is an interdisciplinary degree taught by leading experts in the field of forced migration. The nine-month course enables participants to explore forced migration through a thesis, a group research essay and a range of courses. The degree exposes students to cutting-edge scholarship while allowing them to tailor their studies to suit their own particular interests. Further information on the course, including a brochure and application procedures, are available at: www.rsc.ox.ac.uk.

Core courses in 2009–2010

Introduction to forced migration

Professor Roger Zetter et al

Presents an interdisciplinary, social science perspective on the central issues in the study of forced migration, principally focusing on the causes and consequences with respect to refugees.

Asylum and the modern state

Dr Matthew J Gibney

Considers the growing significance of refugees and particularly asylum seekers for the liberal democratic state. Liberal democracy is the main model of legitimate governance in the contemporary world, but how adequate is it in responding to the challenges of forced migration?

Research methods, I and II

Dr Dawn Chatty

A course designed in conjunction with the ESRC guidelines on the provisions of research training for postgraduate research students in the social sciences. The course aims to develop essential skills that are particularly relevant for understanding the ethics and complexities involved in research related to forced migration.

International human rights and refugee law, I and II

Dr Alice Edwards

A course introducing and exploring the main features of the international refugee protection regime, as well as the law, policy and practice concerning internally displaced persons, stateless persons, and victims of human trafficking.

Optional courses in 2009–2010

In 2009–2010 students each chose to take two optional courses from the following options:

Engendering forced migration

Dr Elena Fiddian-Qasmiyeh

Develops students' critical engagement with the gendered causes, nature, experiences and impacts of forced migration across a range of geographical contexts

International relations and refugees

Dr Alexander Betts

Offers a means to understand forced migration through the application of international relations and complements independent research on the politics of forced migration.

Movement and morality

Dr Matthew J Gibney

Explores a range of contemporary moral issues raised by border control.

Rethinking displacement in Africa

Dr Oliver Bakewell

Provides students with an understanding of the complex historical, socio-economic and political context of forced migration in Africa to enable them critically to review its analysis in both the academic and policy literature.

The economics and politics of international labour migration

Dr Martin Ruhs

Familiarises students with some of the most important contributions of economics and political science to the analysis of international labour migration.

The politics of reconciliation, repatriation and return

Dr Catherine Long

Takes an in-depth look at the question of 'solutions' in forced migration, focusing on the complexities and controversies surrounding the international community's 'preferred' durable solution to refugee exodus, namely refugee repatriation.

UNHCR and world politics

Professor Gil Loescher

Provides greater understanding of the role of UNHCR in international refugee policy and the challenges it confronts.

2009–2010 course

A total of 29 students completed the course. They came from Australia, Barbados, Canada, China, Ethiopia, France, Germany, Ireland, Japan, Kenya, Morocco, Slovakia, South Africa, Sweden, Turkey, the United Kingdom, and the United States of America.

Of these, 11 were in receipt of full or part scholarships from sources including The Rhodes Trust, The Chevening Programme, Marshall Scholarships, The Weidenfeld Scholarship and Leadership Programme and The Clarendon Fund.

In March 2010, 15 students visited Geneva and engaged in question-and-answer sessions with staff of several key organisations that deal directly with issues of displacement. This included the UNHCR, International Committee of the Red Cross, International Organisation for Migration, Jesuit Refugee Services and the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Two of the students were awarded distinctions overall, and five received distinctions for their dissertations.

Short Courses

The RSC's short courses, usually held over a weekend, give up to 50 people the opportunity to receive additional professional training and develop expertise in particular refugee-related areas. Further information on forthcoming short courses is available on the RSC website.

Statelessness and international law

16–18 April 2010

Dr Alice Edwards and Prof Guy Goodwin-Gill

The issue of statelessness is rising steadily on the agenda of the United Nations, regional institutions, governments and civil society in many parts of the world. The course covered various thematic areas, including an overview of the problem of statelessness in today's world; the international legal framework for the prevention and reduction of statelessness, and the status of stateless persons; international relations and political aspects of state formation, national identity and citizenship; distinctions between *de facto* and *de jure* statelessness; and specific causes of statelessness such as state succession and gender inequality in nationality laws.

International Summer School in Forced Migration

The three-week International Summer School fosters dialogue between academics, practitioners and policy-makers working to improve the situation of refugees and other forced migrants. It provides the time and space for them to reflect on their experiences and to think critically about some of the aims and assumptions underlying their work. Further information on the course, including a brochure and application procedures, are available at the RSC website.

Core modules and sessions in 2010

Conceptualising forced migration

Examines and assesses different conceptualisations of forced migration, including legal, anthropological and political approaches.

The globalisation of forced migration

Considers ways of addressing the tension between a globalised world of free circulation of capital, investment and resources, and the barriers to movement facing refugees and other migrants.

Asylum policy and international refugee law

Considers the refugee definition, first asylum and emergency protection for people fleeing from conflict, complementary protection and other contemporary issues.

Negotiating institutional responses (East Timor)

Enables reflection on how to navigate the tensions, through the simulation of a humanitarian crisis.

Forced migration and wellbeing

Further understanding on the relationship between knowledge and intervention in addressing the wellbeing of displaced populations.

Optional modules in 2010

Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs)

Explains the concept and follows the evolving international interest in IDPs, highlighting associated social and political complexities.

Development-induced displacement and resettlement

Highlights the complexities of the resettlement process and the issues they raise and relates these to the formulation of sound policy options.

Palestinian refugees and international law

Offers an understanding of the key historical, socio-political and legal issues raised by the Palestinian refugee problem.

2010 School

The RSC's 21st International Summer School in Forced Migration took place 5–23 July 2010 at Wadham College and the Oxford Department of International Development. The 77 practitioners and academics who attended represented 43 nationalities from five continents working in 40 countries. Examples of institutions represented include Government officials, intergovernmental and non-governmental agency personnel. Donor grants from the Danish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, A W Mellon Foundation, the UK Department for International Development, E S Hogg Charitable Trust, Genevieve Muinzer (in memory of Sara Muinzer) and others supported the attendance of 29 bursary holders.

Publications

Research and staff publications

Books and edited volumes

Chatty, D (ed), *Deterritorialized Youth: Sahrawi and Afghan Refugees at the Margins of the Middle East*, Berghahn Press, 2010

Chatty, D, and B Finlayson (eds), *Dispossession and Displacement: Forced Migration in the Middle East and North Africa*, Oxford University Press, 2010

Chatty, D, *Dispossession and Displacement in the Modern Middle East*, Cambridge University Press, 2010

Edwards, A and C Ferstman (eds), *Human Security and Non-Citizens: Law, Policy and International Affairs*, Cambridge University Press, 2010

Loescher, G and A Betts (eds), *Refugees in International Relations*, Oxford University Press, 2010

Sigona, N, A Bloch and R Zetter, *'No Right to Dream': Social and Economic Lives of Young Undocumented Migrants in Britain*, Paul Hamlyn Foundation, 2010

Sigona, N and N Trehan (eds), *Romani Politics in Contemporary Europe: Poverty, Ethnic Mobilisation and the Neoliberal Order*, Palgrave/MacMillan, 2009

Zetter, R, A Bloch and N Sigona (eds), *'No Right to Dream': Social and Economic Lives of Young Undocumented Migrants in Britain*, Paul Hamlyn Foundation, 2010

Chapters

Chatty, D, 'Introduction: Deterritorialized youth: Sahrawi and Afghan refugees at the margins of the Middle East', in D Chatty (ed) *Deterritorialized Youth: Afghan and Sahrawi Refugee Young People at the Margins of the Middle East*, Berghahn Press, 2010

Chatty, D, 'Identity with/out territory: Sahrawi refugees in transnational space' with E Fiddian-Qasmiyeh and G Crivello, in D Chatty (ed) *Deterritorialized Youth: Afghan and Sahrawi Refugee Young People at the Margins of the Middle East*, Berghahn Press, 2010

Chatty, D, 'Introduction to forced migration in the Middle East' and 'Epilogue', in D Chatty and B Finlayson (eds) *Dispossession and Displacement in the Middle East and North Africa*, Oxford University Press, 2010

Edwards, A, 'Everyday rape: International Human Rights Law and violence against women in peacetime', in C McGlynn and V Munro (eds), *Rethinking Rape Law: International and Comparative Perspectives*, Routledge-Cavendish, 2010

Edwards, A and C Ferstman, 'Preface', in A Edwards and C Ferstman (eds), *Human Security and Non-Citizens: Law, Policy and International Affairs*, Cambridge University Press, 2010

Edwards, A and C Ferstman, 'Humanising non-citizens: The convergence of human rights and human security', in A Edwards and C Ferstman (eds), *Human Security and Non-Citizens: Law, Policy and International Affairs*, Cambridge University Press, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'When the Self becomes Other: Representations of gender, Islam and the politics of survival in the Sahrawi refugee camps' in D Chatty and B Findlay (eds), *Dispossession and Displacement: Forced Migration in the Middle East and North Africa*, Oxford University Press, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'Concealing violence against women in the Sahrawi refugee camps: The politicisation of victimhood' in H Bradby and G Lewando-Hundt (eds), *Global Perspectives on War, Gender and Health: The Sociology and Anthropology of Suffering*, Ashgate, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, D Chatty and G Crivello, 'Identity with/out territory: Sahrawi refugee youth in transnational space' in D Chatty (ed), *Deterritorialized Youth: Sahrawi and Afghan Refugees at the Margins of the Middle East*, Berghahn Books, 37-84, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E and G Crivello, 'The ties that bind: Sahrawi children and the mediation of aid in exile' in D Chatty (ed), *Deterritorialized Youth: Sahrawi and Afghan Refugees at the Margins of the Middle East*, Berghahn Books, 85-118, 2010

Loescher, G, 'Human rights and forced migration' in M Goodhart (ed), *Human Rights: Politics and Practice*, Oxford University Press, 2009

Mansour, N, 'Only 'civilians' count: The influence of GWOT discourses on governments' humanitarian responses to terror-related conflicts' in J Howell and J Lind (eds), *Civil Society Under Strain: Counter-Terrorism Policy, Aid and Civil society Post-9/11*, Kumarian Press, 2009

Sigona, N, "'Gypsies out of Italy!': Social exclusion and racial discrimination of Roma and Sinti in Italy' in A Mammone and G Veltri (eds), *Italy Today: The Sick Man of Europe*, Routledge, 2010

Zetter, R, 'Curtailling freedoms, diminishing rights in Britain's asylum policy – a narrative of "Them and Us" in M McCarthy (ed), *Incarceration and Human Rights, The Oxford Amnesty Lectures 2007*, University of Manchester Press, 42-48, 2010

Zetter, R and C Boano, 'Planned evacuations and the right to shelter during displacement' in W Kälin, R C Williams, K Koser and A Solomon (eds), *Incorporating the Guiding Principles on Internal Displacement into Domestic Law: Issues and Challenges*, Brookings-Bern and the American Society of International Law, Studies in Transnational Legal Policy No 41, 165-206, 2010

Zetter, R and C Boano, 'Gendering spaces and places for forcibly displaced women and children' in S Martin and J Tirman (eds), *Women Migration and Conflict: Breaking a Deadly Cycle*, Springer, 201-228, 2009

Zetter, R, 'Protecting people displaced by climate change: Some conceptual challenges' in J McAdam (ed), *Climate Change and Displacement in the Pacific: Multidisciplinary Perspectives*, Hart Publishing, 131-150, 2009

Zetter, R and C Boano, 'Space and place after natural disasters and forced displacement' in G Lizarralde, C Davidson and C Johnson (eds) *Rebuilding After Disasters: From Emergency to Sustainability*, Taylor and Francis, 206-230, 2009

Zetter, R, 'The role of legal and normative frameworks for the protection of environmentally induced people' in F Laczko and C Aghazarm (eds), *Migration, Environment and Climate Change: Assessing the Evidence*, IOM, 385-441, 2009

Articles and papers

Chatty, D, 'Palestinian refugee youth: agency and aspiration', *Refugee Studies Quarterly*, 28(2-3): 318-338, 2010

Chatty, D, 'The Bedouin in contemporary Syria', *Middle East Journal*, 64(1): 29-49, 2009

Chatty, D, 'Rituals of royalty and the elaboration of ceremony in Oman: View from the edge', *International Journal of Middle East Studies*, 41: 39-58, 2009

Edwards, A, 'Legitimate' protection spaces: UNHCR's 2009 policy', *Forced Migration Review* 34: 48-49, 2010

Edwards, A, 'Displacement, statelessness and questions of gender equality under the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women', *Legal and Protection Policy Research Series*, POLAS/2009/02, UNHCR, Geneva, 2009

Edwards, A, 'Thematic national legal study on the rights of irregular immigrants in voluntary and involuntary return procedures: United Kingdom', *Human Rights Law Centre*, University of Nottingham and the European Union Fundamental Rights Agency, 2009

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'Ideal' refugee women and gender equality mainstreaming: 'Good practice' for whom?' *Refugee Survey Quarterly*, 29(2): 64-84, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'Education, migration and internationalism: Situating Muslim Middle Eastern and North African students in Cuba', *The Journal of North African Studies*, 15(2): 137-155, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E and Y M Qasmiyeh, 'Muslim asylum-seekers and refugees: Negotiating politics, religion and identity in the UK', *Journal of Refugee Studies*, 23(3): 294-314, 2010

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'Book review of Saviors and Survivors: Darfur, politics and the war on terror, by Mahmood Mamdani', *International Affairs*, 85(6): 1282-1283, 2009

Fiddian-Qasmiyeh, E, 'Contradictory representations of Sahrawi refugee children's 'educational displacement' to Cuba: self-sufficient agents, manipulated victims, or 'bad girls', *Journal of Refugee Studies*, 22(3): 323-350, 2009

Gibney, M J, 'Precarious residents: Migration control, membership and the rights of non-citizens', *Human Development Research Paper*, no. 10. UNDP, New York, 2009

Loescher, G, 'A universal mandate to protect: The challenge of refugee protection', *Harvard International Review*, 31(3): 44-50, Fall 2009

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Loescher, G and A Betts, 'Refugees in international relations', in A Betts and G Loescher (eds), *Refugees in International Relations*, Oxford University Press, 1-29, 2010

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Long, K and J Crisp, 'Migration, mobility and solutions: An evolving perspective', *Forced Migration Review* 35: 56-57 2010

Long, K, 'No Entry! A review of UNHCR's response to border closures in situations of mass refugee influx', UNHCR Evaluation, 2010

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Long, K, 'Home alone? A review of the relationship between repatriation, mobility and durable solutions for refugees', UNHCR Evaluation, 2010

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Zetter, R, 'La securitizzazione e le politiche europee in materia di asilo e rifugiati', ('The securitisation of asylum and refugee policy in Europe') *Mondi Migranti* 3, 7-28, 2009

Zetter, R and G Deikun, 'Meeting humanitarian challenges in urban areas', *Forced Migration Review* 34: 5-8, 2010

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Linnea Bergholm
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Sasini Kulatunga and Rajith Lakshman
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Valentine Guerif
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Ruth Judge
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Dace Schlentz
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Matthew Albert
January 2010

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Sarah Deardorff
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Veronika Talviste
December 2009

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The RSC Forced Migration Policy Briefings highlight policy-relevant research findings from the fields of forced migration and humanitarian studies. The series provides a forum in which academic researchers, humanitarian practitioners and policymakers may share evidence, experience and best practice.

Forced Migration Research and Policy: Current policy trends and future directions

Katy Long

April 2010

4: Iraq's refugees – beyond 'tolerance'

Philip Marfleet and Dawn Chatty

December 2009

3: Statelessness, protection and equality

Brad K. Blitz

September 2009

Studies in Forced Migration Series, Berghahn Books

Published by Berghahn Books in association with the RSC, this series includes within its scope international law, anthropology, medicine, geography, geopolitics, social psychology and economics. The general editors are Prof Roger Zetter and Eva-Lotta Hedman.

New titles

30: Politics of innocence: Hutu identity, conflict and camp life

Simon Turner

29: Deterritorialized youth: Sahrawi and Afghan refugees at the margins of the Middle East

Dawn Chatty (ed)

28: The early morning phone call: Somali refugees' remittances

Anna Lindley

27: Materialising exile: material culture and embodied experience among Karenni refugees in Thailand

Sandra Dudley

Journal of Refugee Studies

The *Journal of Refugee Studies* (JRS) is published by Oxford University Press (OUP) in association with the RSC. The Journal provides a forum for exploration of the complex problems of forced migration and national, regional and international responses. It covers all categories of forcibly displaced people. Contributions that develop theoretical understandings of forced migration, or advance knowledge of concepts, policies and practice are welcomed from both academics and practitioners.

Now in its 22nd year, the JRS has over 2000 subscribers. The co-editors are Joanne van Selm and Khalid Koser, who replaced Richard Black in January 2010. The book reviews editor in 2009–2010 was Dr Oliver Bakewell. Margaret Okole served as the assistant editor for nine years before retiring in September 2010. The RSC and the wider community of forced migration scholars thank her for her dedication and commitment.

Each year one of the four volumes produced includes a special issue focusing on a particular topic of interest. The 2010 special issue was entitled 'Critical reflections on refugee integration: Lessons from international perspectives'. The issue adopted a lesson-drawing approach to the critical study of policy and practice in the area of refugee integration.

The *Journal of Refugee Studies* editorial submission procedures are available at <http://jrs.oxfordjournals.org>.

Forced Migration Review

Forced Migration Review (FMR) is published three times a year in English, Arabic, Spanish and French. FMR presents short practice/policy-oriented articles by researchers, policymakers, practitioners and displaced people; each issue includes a major feature on a particular aspect of forced migration plus a selection of other articles. Free of charge in print and online, FMR is the most widely read publication on refugee and internal displacement issues.

The full text of all articles in all language editions is online at: www.fmreview.org.

Issue 35

Disability and displacement

Discussing why disabled people who are displaced need particular consideration and highlighting initiatives taken to change thinking and practices.

July 2010

Issue 34

Adapting to urban displacement

Highlighting the complexity of the challenges faced by those displaced into urban areas and by those seeking to protect and assist them.

February 2010

Issue 33

Protracted displacement

Assessing the impact of situations of protracted displacement on people's lives and our societies and exploring the 'solutions' – political, humanitarian and personal.

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Information resources

Forced Migration Online

Forced Migration Online (FMO), www.forcedmigration.org, is a web-based portal that provides instant access to a wide variety of online resources dealing with the situation of forced migrants worldwide. It gives comprehensive information in an impartial environment and promotes increased awareness of human displacement issues to an international community of users.

New resources added in 2009–2010

Digital library documents	774
Full-length videos	3
Podcasts	10
Resource summaries	7
Photo collections	3

Website visitors 2009–2010

Average hits per day	19,618
Unique visitors per month	27,868

Library

A key change for the RSC Library was the decision taken in November 2008 to integrate the collections and staff into the Social Science Library (SSL). This was achieved successfully at the beginning of August 2009. Visitors to the RSC collection, and those enquiring from afar, still have access to our specialist staff members – who remain the same. The unique and extensive grey literature material has remained as a discrete collection and is housed in the SSL rolling stack, maintaining its specialist geographical and subject arrangement. It is now fully searchable via SOLO at <http://solo.bodleian.ox.ac.uk>.

The book collection was reclassified to Library of Congress and has been interfiled into the main SSL book sequence. The collections support not only the department's research and teaching requirements but also provide a much wider reference role to its community of external users. The RSC continues to be in the fortunate position of receiving a significant proportion of its stock through gifts and donations.

Information about the RSC collections in the SSL is available on www.ssl.ox.ac.uk and www.rsc.ox.ac.uk.

Readers may also find the recently published online library guide for refugee resources useful at <http://ox.libguides.com/refugee-studies>.

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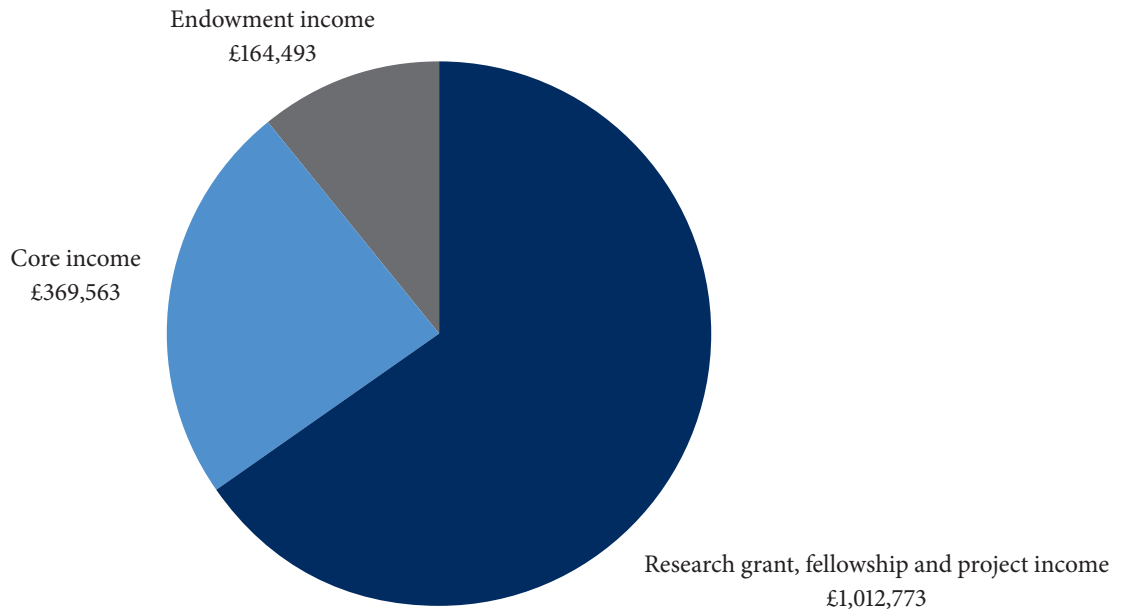
	2009–2010 £	2008–2009 £
Funds in hand to support core expenditure	135,609	147,686¹
Income		
Core income	369,563	441,725
Endowment income	164,493	179,919
Research grant, fellowship and project income ²	1,012,773	1,216,136
Total Funds Available	1,682,438	1,985,466
Expenditure		
Core expenditure	178,018	190,991
Endowment expenditure	164,493	179,919
Research grant, fellowship and project expenditure		
<i>Research fellowships and projects</i>	267,913	441,498
<i>Teaching</i>	272,835	271,453
<i>Forced Migration Review</i>	309,640	346,837
<i>Forced Migration Online</i>	112,241	181,514
<i>Other dissemination and outreach activities</i>	264,561	237,645
Sub total	1,227,189	1,478,947
Total Expenditure	1,569,701	1,849,857
Funds carried forward to support core expenditure	112,737³	135,609

1. Brought forward from financial year 2007–2008

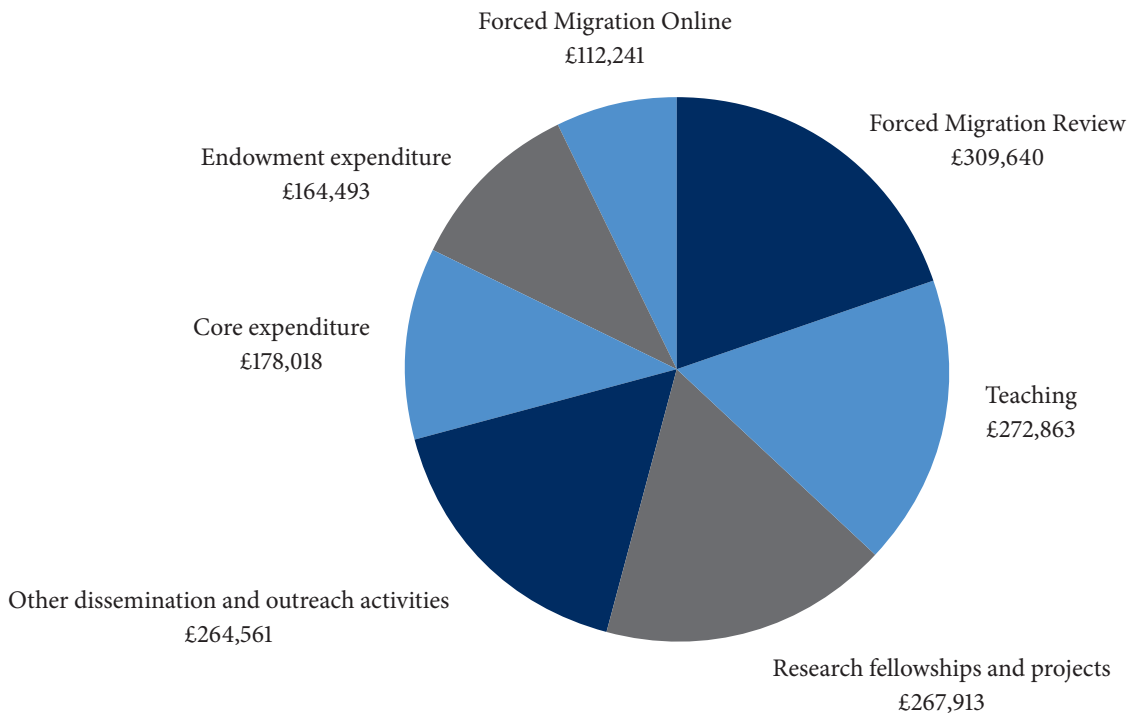
2. Excluding summer school, short courses, annual lectures, seminars and scholarships

3. Carried forward to financial year 2010–2011

Income 2009–2010 £1,546,829



Expenditure 2009–2010 £1,569,701



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