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The Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance is the world-leading centre for the study of deliberative democracy. It is based at the Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis at the University of Canberra.

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2017 at a glance

This year, the Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance...

convened:

1 summer school

2 workshops

23 seminars

1 conference

7 reading groups

1 masterclass

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won:

over \$500,000
research grant
from the Australian
Research Council

hosted:

6 visiting
students

11 visiting
research
fellows

published:

over 20 op-ed
pieces and media
commentary

over 20 scholarly articles
and book chapters

Events

It has been our pleasure convening a series of events on deliberative democracy.

Summer School

The Second Deliberative Democracy Summer School

February 15-17

University of Canberra

Supported by the Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis

Guest Speakers

André Bächtiger
Stuttgart University

Kimmo Grönlund
Åbo Akademi

Ricardo Mendonça
*Federal University of
Minas Gerais*

Marit Böker
Keele University

Carolyn Hendriks
Australian National University

Karin Bäckstrand
Jonathan Kuiper
Stockholm University

Simone Chambers
University of California, Irvine

John Parkinson
Griffith University





Workshops

Ecological Democracy: Always Greener on the Other Side?

February 20-21

University of Sydney

Co-hosted with the University of Sydney and Stockholm University



Beyond Voice: Prospects and Challenges of Listening in Democracy

October 30

University of Canberra

Co-hosted with the University of New South Wales and Australian National University



Conference

Deliberation, Culture, and Context

December 7-8

University of Canberra

Supported through the Australian Research Council's Laureate Fellowship

Guest Speakers

Melissa Williams
University of Toronto

Emmanuel Ani
University of Ghana

John Parkinson
Griffith University

Mark Warren
University of British Columbia

Vijayendra Rao
World Bank

Ian O'Flynn
Newcastle University, UK

Stephanie Lawson
Macquarie University

Arabella Lyon
*State University of New York,
Buffalo*

Quinlan Bowman
*Nanyang Technological
University, Singapore*





Deliberative Democracy Seminar Series

The Centre holds seminars on Tuesdays after our weekly morning tea at 10:30.

February 7

Li-chia Lo

University of Melbourne

*When deliberative democracy travels to China:
An example of cultural exceptionalism*

February 14

Kimmo Grönlund

Åbo Akademi University

*The potential of deliberative democracy
in like-minded settings*

February 28

Hans Asenbaum

University of Westminster

*Anonymity and democracy: Absence as
presence in the public sphere*

March 7

Simon Niemeyer

University of Canberra

Cultivating a deliberative stance



March 14

Sofie Marien

University of Amsterdam/

University of Leuven

Meeting great expectations through democratic innovations? Studying the effect of citizen involvement on democratic legitimacy

March 28

Jen Roberts

University of Strathclyde

The role of evidence, evidence-providers and the evidence-giving format in citizens' juries

April 11

Hendrik Wagenaar

University of Sheffield

Deliberative policy analysis: What are its conditions of possibility?

April 18

Esha Madhavan

University of Sydney

Public sphere deliberation (PSD) index: Analysing public deliberation through aggregated data

May 2

Quinlan Bowman

University of Canberra

Problems with liberal proceduralism in normative democratic theory

May 23

Hedda Ransan-Cooper

University of Canberra

Digging Deeper: The role of emotions in anti-coal seam gas mobilization

June 20

Richard Rowland

Australian Catholic University

Overcoming fundamental moral disagreement

July 4

Quinlan Bowman

University of Canberra

Democracy: Friendship in the company of strangers?

July 4

Jensen Sass

University of Canberra

Expressive deliberation

August 1

Shmulik Nili

Australian National University

The people's duty

August 22

Ronald Van Crombrugge

KU Leuven

*Deliberation and representation in
referendum processes*

September 26

Udit Bhatia

University of Oxford

*Cracking the whip: The deliberative
costs of strict party discipline*

October 17

Sergio Guillen

Australian National University

*A polychrome approach to social
movements and public deliberation*

October 24

Javier Romero

University of Salamanca

*Communicative Justice: New forms of digital
secure political deliberation using "DECISO 1.0"*

October 31

Emily Beausoleil

Massey University

*Deliberating in unequal societies:
Liberal risks, performative possibilities*

November 14

James Pow

Queen's University Belfast

*Elite stalemate in a deeply divided polity:
Could a citizen's assembly make legitimate
decisions instead?*

November 21

Jonathan Pickering

University of Canberra

*Beyond sustainability as usual:
Democratising sustainability development
for the Anthropocene*

November 28

Simona Zimmermann

University of Stuttgart

*Power in high-stake deliberative settings:
Analytical insights from linguistics*





December 5

Ian O'Flynn

Newcastle University

When the talking stops: Deliberative disagreement and non-deliberative decision mechanisms



December 5

Emmanuel Ani

University of Ghana

The Consensus Project and Three Levels of Deliberation



December 12

Matthew Kearnes

University of New South Wales

Beyond Residual Realisms: Four Paths for Remaking Participation with Science and Democracy

Visitors

Visiting fellows are a key part in our Centre's intellectual life. This year, we are delighted to host seventeen visiting fellows and PhD students.

Sweden



Åsa Persson
Stockholm Environment Institute



Karin Bäckstrand
Stockholm University

Germany

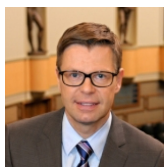


André Bächtiger
University of Stuttgart



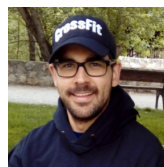
Simona Zimmermann
University of Stuttgart

Finland



Kimmo Grönlund
Åbo Akademi University

Spain



Javier Romero
University of Salamanca

Ghana



Emmanuel Ani
University of Ghana

Brazil



Ricardo Mendonça
Federal University of Minas Gerais

United Kingdom



Hans Asenbaum
University of Westminster



Ian O'Flynn
Newcastle University



Marit Hammond
Keele University



James Pow
Queen's University Belfast

Belgium

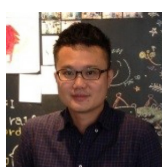


Sofie Marien
KU Leuven

Australia



Madelaine Egan
University of Melbourne



Li-chia Lo
University of Melbourne



Ian O'Flynn from the University of Newcastle (UK) is a recipient of the University of Canberra's Distinguished International Visitor Prize for 2017.

Testimonials from visitors



Being acquainted with Canberra's coffee scene.

Sofie Marien

KU Leuven

Being a newcomer in the field of deliberative democracy, the significance of visiting the Centre can hardly be underestimated. The quality of the Centre's seminar, the impressive events organised and the inspiring work environment are exceptional.

During my visit, I received top-notch input on my ongoing research as well as new ideas for my research agenda for the coming years. My visit resulted in the acquisition of a European Research Council Starting Grant that will focus on deliberative processes. I hope to continue to learn from the Centre's world-leading experts throughout this project.



Exploring Uluru.

Hans Asenbaum

University of Westminster

My stay at the Centre exceeded my highest expectations. Apart from the both professional and creative work environment, the members of the Centre also provided an incredibly welcoming atmosphere. I'm grateful to all members of the Centre.

Academic Publications

Our research fellows and PhD students published over twenty articles, book chapters, and edited collection this year.

Journal Articles

1. Curato, Nicole, Dryzek, John, Ercan, Selen, Hendriks, Carolyn, & Niemeyer, Simon. Twelve Key Findings in Deliberative Democracy Research, *Daedalus*.
2. Curato, Nicole. Beyond the Spectacle: Slow-Moving Disasters in Post-Haiyan Philippines, *Critical Asian Studies*.
3. Curato, Nicole. Flirting with authoritarian fantasies? Rodrigo Duterte and the New Terms of Philippine Populism. *Journal of Contemporary Asia*.
4. Curato, Nicole. We haven't even buried the dead yet: The ethics of discursive contestation in a crisis situation. *Current Sociology*.
5. Dryzek, John and Pickering, Jonathan. Deliberation as a catalyst for reflexive environmental governance, *Ecological Economics*.
6. Dryzek, John. The meanings of life for non-state actors in climate politics, *Environmental Politics*.
7. Dryzek, John. The Forum, the system and the polity: Three varieties of democratic theory. *Political Theory*.
8. Ercan, Selen. Engaging with extremism in a multicultural society: A deliberative democratic approach. *Journal of Peacebuilding and Development*.
9. Ercan, Selen. From polarisation to pluralisation. A deliberative democratic approach to 'illiberal' cultures. *International Political Science Review*.
10. Ercan, Selen, Hendriks, Carolyn and Boswell, John. Studying public deliberation after the systemic turn: The crucial role for interpretive research. *Policy and Politics*.
11. Nishiyama, Kei. Deliberators, Not Future Citizens: Children in Democracy. *Journal of Public Deliberation*.
12. Nishiyama, Kei. Child-activism and deliberative systems: Toward a new understanding of children's 'participation'. *Annals of Study for Materialism in Japan*. [In Japanese]

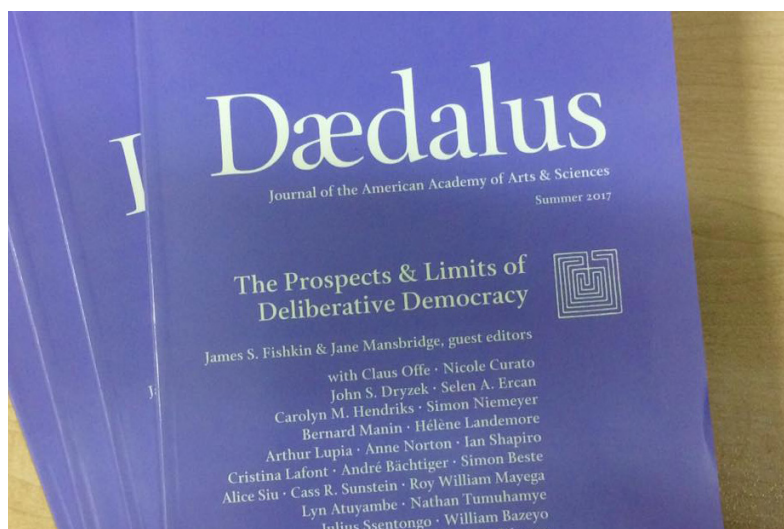
13. Parry, Lucy. Don't put all your speech-acts in one basket: Situating animal activism in the deliberative system. *Environmental Values*.
14. Pickering, Jonathan, Robin Davies, and Prizzon, Annalisa. Development Co-Operation: New Perspectives from Developing Countries. *Development Policy Review*.
15. Pickering, Jonathan, Davies, Robin and Prizzon, Annalisa. How should development co-operation evolve? Views from developing countries. *Development Policy Review*.
16. Pickering, Jonathan, Betzold, Carola, & Skovgaard, Jakob. Managing fragmentation and complexity in the emerging system of international climate finance. *International Environmental Agreements: Politics, Law and Economics*.
17. Pickering, Jonathan and Mitchell, Paul. What drives national support for multilateral climate finance? International and domestic influences on Australia's shifting stance. *International Environmental Agreements: Politics, Law and Economics*.
18. Crosbie, T. and Sass, J. Governance by Scandal? Eradicating Sexual Assault in the U.S. Military. *Politics*.
19. Schlosberg, David, Collins, Lisette, and Niemeyer, Simon. Adaptation policy and community discourse: risk, vulnerability, and just transformation. *Environmental Politics*.

Book Chapters

1. Marsh, David, Ercan, Selen, and Furlong, Paul. "A skin, not a sweater: Ontology and epistemology in Political Science," in *Theory and Methods in Political Science* (Edited by Lowndes, Vivien, Marsh, David and Stoker, Gerry)
2. Sanchez, Emerson. "Who Will Burn Duterte's Effigy?" in *The Duterte Reader: Critical Essays on Rodrigo Duterte's Early Presidency* (Edited by Nicole Curato, Cornell University Press)

Edited Book

1. Curato, Nicole. *The Duterte Reader: Critical Essays on Rodrigo Duterte's Early Presidency*. Cornell University Press.



Twelve Key Findings on Deliberative Democracy

Published in *Daedalus*'s Special Issue on the Prospects and Limits of Deliberative Democracy are twelve key findings in deliberative democracy research, put together by Nicole Curato, John Dryzek, Selen Ercan, Carolyn Hendriks and Simon Niemeyer.



Authoritarian Innovations in Rodrigo Duterte's Philippines?

Nicole Curato edited the *Duterte Reader: Critical Essays on Rodrigo Duterte's Early Presidency* (Cornell University Press / Ateneo de Manila University Press). This is the first book accounting for the rise of the Philippine's strongman. The book sold over 1,500 copies in two months and has been launched in twelve universities in the Philippines, Australia, United States, and Japan.



Special Issue on Fragmentation and Complexity in International Climate Finance

Jonathan Pickering (with Carola Betzold and Jakob Skovgaard) edited a Special Issue entitled 'Managing Fragmentation and Complexity in the Emerging System of International Climate Finance.' Jonathan and his colleagues make a case for a systemic perspective on climate finance to foreground the causes and consequences of complex governance systems.

The articles are based on the workshop 'Climate Finance: Taking Stock, Future Directions for Policy Research' in Lund University. The Special Issue appears at the journal *International Environmental Agreements*.

Grants & Prizes

Grants

Simon Niemeyer, John Dryzek and Nicole Curato won a grant over \$500,000 from the Australian Research Council to conduct a Meta-Study of Democratic Deliberation. Mark Warren and André Bächtiger are co-investigators of the project.





Prize

Congratulations to John Dryzek for winning this year's Social Scientist of the Year awarded by the University of Canberra.

Conferences & Research Visits



We thank our colleagues from all over the world for the generous feedback on our conference papers and hospitality in our research visits.

Australia

Jane Alver
Speaker, Feminist Utopias
Australian National University

Jane Alver
Pierrick Chalaye
Kei Nishiyama
Emerson Sanchez
Paper Presenters, Deliberative
Democracy Summer School
University of Canberra

Nicole Curato
Visiting Researcher
Sydney Democracy Network
University of Sydney

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, La Trobe Asia Public
Lecture
La Trobe University

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, Southeast Asia's
democratic recession: Understanding
causes and consequences
Griffith University

Nicole Curato
Plenary Speaker, Politics in Action:
Updates in Southeast Asia
Sydney Southeast Asia Centre
University of Sydney

Nicole Curato
Keynote Speaker, International
Research Forum on the Philippines
La Trobe University

John Dryzek
Speaker, Australian Association for
Political Theory and Philosophy
University of Melbourne

John Dryzek
Jonathan Pickering
Emerson Sanchez
Speakers, Ecological Democracy
Workshop
University of Sydney

John Dryzek
Jonathan Pickering
Emerson Sanchez
Speakers, Environmental Justice
Conference
University of Sydney

John Dryzek
Speaker, Deliberative Democracy
Conference: Authoritarian
Deliberation Revisited
Melbourne

Jonathan Pickering
Jensen Sass
Paper Presenters, Australian Political
Studies Association Conference
Monash University

Jonathan Pickering
Paper Presenter, Australian and
New Zealand Society of International
Law Conference, Australian National
University

Jonathan Pickering
Speaker, Australasian Aid Conference
Australian National University

Ana Tanasoca
Paper Presenter, The Figure of the
Citizen Conference
University of Sydney

Jonathan Pickering
Ana Tanasoca
Speaker, International Ethics
Research Group Seminar
University of New South Wales
(Canberra)

Germany

Nicole Curato
Selen Ercan
Visiting Researchers
University of Stuttgart

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, Philippine Studies-
Berlin Seminar Series
Humboldt University

Selen Ercan
Discussant, The future of democracy
Goethe University

Simon Niemeyer
Paper Presenter, Interdisciplinary
Symposium on Knowledge
and Space
University of Heidelberg

Finland

Nicole Curato
Visiting Researcher
University of Turku

Canada

Jensen Sass
Paper Presenter, Social Science
History Association Conference

Spain

John Dryzek
European International Studies
Association Conference
Barcelona

Kei Nishiyama
Paper Presenter, International Council
of Philosophical Inquiry with Children
Conference Madrid

Sweden

John Dryzek
Simon Niemeyer
Jonathan Pickering
Earth System Governance Conference
Lund University

India

Jane Alver
Paper Presenter, International
Feminist Journal of Politics Conference
Delhi

Hong Kong

Jane Alver
Paper Presenter, International Studies
Association Conference
Hong Kong University

Singapore

Nicole Curato
Plenary Speaker, Asian Conference
for Political Communication
Konrad Adenauer-Stiftung, Singapore

Nicole Curato
Guest Speaker, Lee Kwan Yew School
of Public Policy Seminar Series
National University of Singapore

United Kingdom

Selen Ercan
Paper Presenter, International
Interpretive Policy Analysis Conference
De Montfort University

Norway

Pierrick Chalaye
Paper Presenter, Rethinking
Biodiversity Governance
Fridtjof Nansen Institute

Nicole Curato
Discussant, European Consortium for
Political Research Conference
University of Oslo

Japan

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, Centre for Southeast
Asian Studies Seminar
Kyoto University

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, Graduate School of
International Development Seminar
Kyoto University

Selen Ercan
Keynote Speaker, International
Conference on Legal Institution Design
Nagoya University

United States

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, How Do
Populists Govern?
Yale University

Nicole Curato
Invited Speaker, Watching the
Philippines, Reporting Duterte
Columbia University

Nicole Curato
Paper Presenter, I Am A People':
The Performance and Cross-
Regional Praxis of Populism
University of Oregon

John Dryzek
Selen Ercan
American Political Science
Association Annual Conference
San Francisco

Jonathan Pickering
Paper Presenter, Environmental
Justice Symposium
Colorado State University

Reading Group

We get together every month to discuss the latest developments in the literature. Here's what we read this year.

March 28

Warren, Mark E. (2017) A problem-based approach to democratic theory. *American Political Science Review* 11(1): 39-53.

April 26

Rollo, Toby (2016) Everyday deeds: Enactive protest, exit, and silence in deliberative systems. *Political Theory* 45(5): 587-609.

May 9

Knops, Andrew (2016) Deliberative networks. *Critical Policy Studies* 10(3): 305-324.

June 13

Boswell, John & Corbett, Jack (2017) Why and how to compare deliberative systems. *European Journal of Political Research* 56(4): 801-819

August 8

Dean, Jodi (2003) Why the net is not a public sphere. *Constellations* 10(1): 95-112.



October 17

March, Andrew (2009) What is Comparative Political Theory? *The Review of Politics* 71: 531-565.

Williams, Melissa & Warren Mark (2014)

A democratic case for comparative political theory. *Political Theory* 42(1): 26-57.

November 21

Pathasarathy, Ramya & Rao, Vijayendra (2017) Deliberative democracy in India. *Policy Research Working Paper* 7995.

What should we read next? Email your suggestions to our reading group convener at Kei.Nishiyama@canberra.edu.au

Media Engagement

Op-eds, blog posts, radio interviews, and a museum installation.
The highlights of our media engagement this year.

Op-Eds

1. Curato, Nicole. In the Philippines, All the President's People. *The New York Times*.
2. Niemeyer, Simon. Transforming ACT democracy one citizens' jury at a time. *The Canberra Times*.



We have been featured several times in ABC Radio Canberra to talk about citizen juries, new forms for political participation, and deliberative processes in the ACT.

Blog Posts

1. Alver, Jane. Participatory Democracy in Emerging Contexts. *Open Democracy*.
 2. Alver, Jane. Feminist Innovations In the Pacific. *Devpolicy Blog*.
 3. Curato, Nicole and Parry, Lucy J. Deliberative democracy must rise to the threat of populist rhetoric. *The Conversation*.
 4. Dryzek, John. Democracy Needs More Trees and Less Trump. *The Conversation*.
 5. Nishiyama, Kei. From bakery to wagashiya? A textbook case of moral education in Japan. *The Conversation*
 6. Pickering, Jonathan. The US quitting the Paris climate agreement will only make things worse. *The Conversation*.
 7. Pickering, Jonathan, Davis, Robin and Pirzzon, Annalisa. Where Next for Aid? Perspectives from Developing Countries. *The Policy Space*.
 8. Pickering, Jonathan, Skovgaard, Jakob and Betzold, Carola. Piecing together the global climate finance system. *The Policy Space*.
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Breaking Fake News

As part of her role in the British Council-funded Newton Tech4Dev research network, Nicole Curato hosted and co-produced a television special with CNN Philippines entitled Breaking Fake News. The show drew attention to overlooked themes when discussing fake news such as the precarity of digital labour that led to the rise of the cyber-trooping industry.



More Trees, Less Trump



John Dryzek's piece 'Democracy Needs More Trees and Less Trump' has been turned into an art work 'Forest Trump' at an exhibition called "Searching the Line: Drawing Connections" in Basel, Switzerland.

The artist, Darragh Gallagher created 600 origami trees, each from a sheet of paper with the article printed on it, and placed them in a landscape made of sand. Visitors can take home a tree and read it.

50/50 by 2030

The Centre proudly supports BroadAgenda, the blog of the 50/50 by 2030 Foundation at the University of Canberra. Here are our latest contributions.

- Redefining Leadership for Young Women*, Jane Alver
- Pacific Feminist Civil Society*, Jane Alver
- Gender Quotas: Following Norway's lead?*, Jane Alver
- The Women's March and Deliberative Democracy*, Simone Chambers
- Fortune 500 Feminism*, Nicole Curato
- Can a sexist president implement feminist policies?* Nicole Curato
- SDG 5: What does Sustainable Development Goal 5 mean for Australia?* Sonya Duus and Pia Rowe
- Sisters in yarn: The rise and rise of small p politics*, Selen Ercan
- Gender equality in political representation: A deliberative case*, Simon Niemeyer



Public Engagement

We stepped up our public engagement initiatives this year, focusing on the Australian Capital Territory.

Canberra Conversations

Simon Niemeyer at the Canberra Conversations series on Deliberative Democracy and Citizen Juries. His co-panelists include Gail Fairlamb (Department of Premier and Cabinet in South Australia), Emily Jenke (Democracy Co), and Jon Stanhope, AO.



Smart Governance Series

John Dryzek and Nicole Curato join Gerry Stoker (University of Canberra), Luca Belgiorno-Nettis (newDemocracy Foundation), and Nicole Hunter (MosaicLab) in IGPA's Smart Governance Series, hosted by Virginia Hausseger, AM. They answered the question: How can we do democracy differently?



Masterclass

Convened by Simon Niemeyer, 'Deliberative Democracy and Public Engagement: What, When, How' is our Centre's first masterclass designed for practitioners.



Engaging the ACT Government

Together with our research associates Wendy Russel and Vicky Darling, Simon Niemeyer and John Dryzek were commissioned to write an advice paper on Deliberative Engagement in the ACT Government. The paper was presented to the Chief Minister, Treasury and Economic Development Directorate, ACT Government.

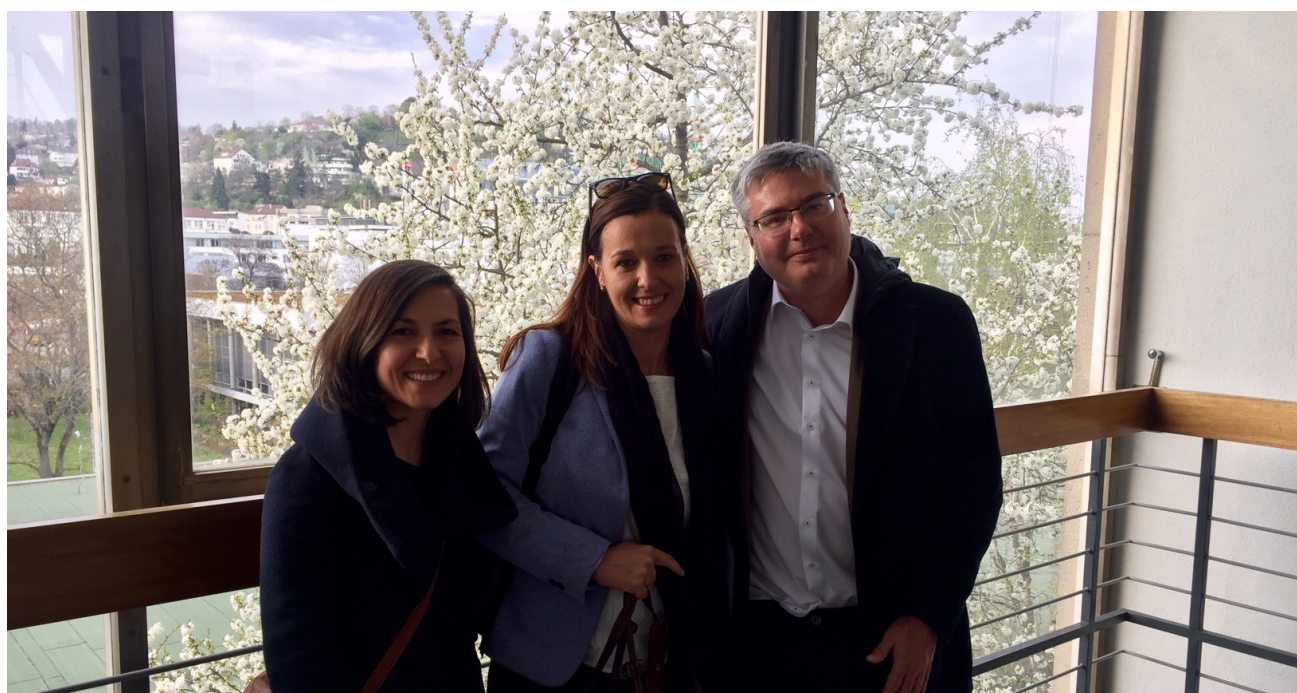


Partnerships & Linkages

Deliberative democracy is a global project. Here are the links we built and maintained this year.

Exchange program with the University of Stuttgart

Since 2016, the Centre has been closely working with the University of Stuttgart's Institute for Social Sciences. Nicole Curato, Selen Ercan and Kei Nishiyama were visiting fellows at André Bächtiger's research unit in Germany, while André Bächtiger, Saskia Geyer, Eda Keremoglu-Waibler and Simona Zimmerman have visited Australia. Part of the exchange program is funded by the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).



Moral Disagreements: Philosophical and Practical Implications

Selen Ercan and Lucy Parry co-convoked a deliberative poll with Richard Rowland and David Killoren at the Australian Catholic University in Melbourne on August 19-20 as part of a joint research project on moral disagreements and deliberative democracy (funded by Australian Catholic University).

The two-day deliberative polling experiment focused on two morally divisive issues: i) the moral status of animals and the ethics of eating meat, and ii) the ethics of sacrificing the few to save the many. Over 200 people attended the deliberative experiment over two days. The research team used Q methodology to capture the participants' opinions and attitudes on the deliberated issues before and after the experiment.



Links with Yonsei University

A delegation from Yonsei University Law School, among others, visited our Centre to build partnerships across research networks.





Partnership with Democratic Innovations Unit, Goethe University Frankfurt

A new partnership with the Democratic Innovations Unit led by Prof Brigitte Geißel started this year. Selen Ercan visited this Unit to explore collaborative projects on democratic innovations.

Partnership with Berlin Science Centre (WZB)

The Centre has an ongoing partnership with WZB's Democracy and Democratisation Unit. Selen Ercan visited WZB this to plan workshops and other collaborative projects next year.

Partnership with Federal University of Minas Gerais, Brazil

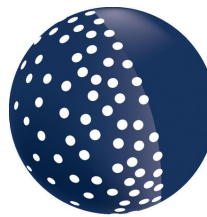
Ricardo Mendonça visited the Centre early this year to speak at the Summer School and establish collaborative research projects. This visit is an outcome of the memorandum of understanding signed with the Federal University of Minas Gerais in 2015.

Earth System Governance (ESG)

The Centre has maintained its longstanding engagement with the ESG project, which is the world's largest research network of social scientists working on global environmental governance.

The Centre hosts Research Centre Australia for ESG, one of fifteen such centres around the world. Jonathan Pickering (lead author) and John Dryzek (contributing author) drafted a chapter on democracy and power for the new ESG Science Plan, which will inform the network's activities over the coming decade.

Jonathan co-convenes the ESG working group on ecological democracy, which led to an international research workshop at the University of Sydney. John continues to be a member of the ESG Scientific Steering Committee.



Earth
System
Governance

Participedia

<https://www.participedia.net/>

In 2017, the Centre continued its global research partnership with Participedia funded by Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

Participedia is an online, user-generated collaborative project documenting a growing compendium of participatory politics. Selen Ercan has been a member of Research Design Committee and Lucy Parry has been providing systematic and practical information on the democratic innovations from all over Australia.

A Social Space

Lonely Planet named Canberra as one of the top destinations for visitors. Our Centre takes this honour seriously.







Farewell & Welcome!

This year, we said goodbye to our research associates Quinlan Bowman, Lucy Parry and Hedda Ransan-Cooper. Lucy moved to Vienna and now works at Webster University. Hedda returned to the ANU for a new post-doc. Quinlan took a post at the Nanyang Technological University in Singapore.

We welcomed Oliver William Conway-Lamb to the deliberative system! Congratulations to our PhD student, Wendy Conway-Lamb for giving birth to a healthy baby.



Lucy left us with biscuits to remember her by.



Lucy J. Parry

During my time at the Centre, I have had opportunities not only to present my work but to organise workshops and seminars and to collaborate and co-author with the best minds in deliberative democracy. I have also been able to connect to the community of deliberative scholars and practitioners in Australia and the world.

I will continue to nurture these connections. The Centre was for me the thriving heart of deliberative democracy, with so much scholarship, enthusiasm and sincerity in one place



Quinlan Bowman

During my year at the Centre, I benefited from the interdisciplinary environment, the flow of world-class scholars coming through for research visits and presentations, and from the near constant (but never exhausting!) conversations with colleagues about political problems that face us and how we might address them through deliberation.

I was tremendously sad to leave, but remain in frequent contact with the Centre. I have since taken up another postdoctoral fellowship, with the Public Policy and Global Affairs Programme at Nanyang Technological University in Singapore. There, I'll continue to work on dialogue and deliberation, as I search for longer-term research and teaching positions in Australia, Europe and the Americas.



The daintiest cakes, the most progressive presents. Sending our best to Wendy!

The year ahead

We are looking forward to an exciting 2018!

We are completing at least three book projects, co-convening several panels in the International Political Studies Association conference in Brisbane, and the European Consortium for Political Research Section on Democratic Innovations in Hamburg.

We are also expecting PhD submissions from our first graduates since we moved at the University of Canberra!

Also on our radar is the Deliberative Democracy Summer School in Finland. We are rooting for our colleagues from the University of Tukru and Åbo Akademi who are convening the summer school over European summer.

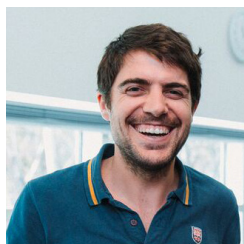
As always, we welcome guests, seminar presentations, research collaboration, and creative forms of linkages. Drop us an email, follow us on Twitter, or send us a postcard.



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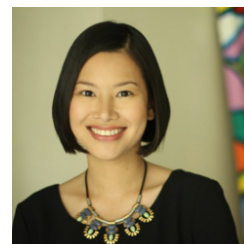
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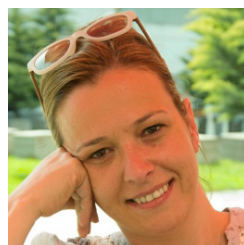
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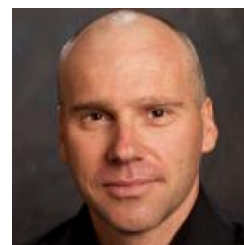
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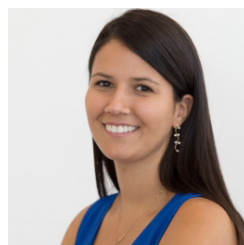
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