

Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance

END OF YEAR REPORT 2018



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

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The Year in Review

If you are reading this report, it is probably because you have engaged with our Centre in the past. Maybe you delivered a seminar, attended our summer school, or hung out with us over morning tea. Or perhaps you are thinking of collaborating with us in the future.

We want to stay connected, and so we are sharing with you the highlights of 2018. In this report you will see stories of what kept us busy and what kept us going.

This year, we published six books and twenty-two journal articles and book chapters, organised two workshops, hosted fifteen visiting fellows, attended numerous conferences, secured four new grants, and won six prizes.

We welcomed two new PhD students and one postdoctoral fellow, and gave a toast to our first PhD completion since we moved to the University of Canberra.

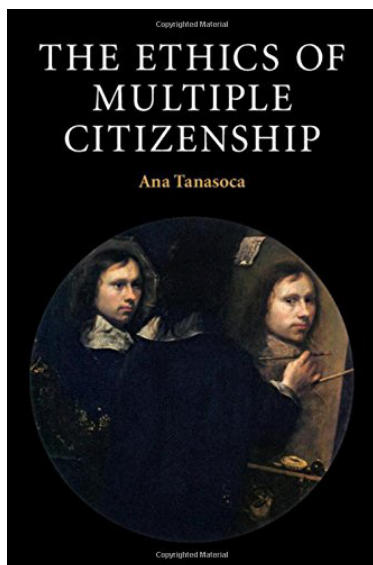
We also stepped up our public and media engagement, evidenced by events and creative outputs that bridge our academic work to broader publics.

Our Centre is committed to building an epistemically diverse, socially relevant, and mutually supportive scholarly community. We are grateful to the global network of deliberative democracy scholars for providing inspiration in making this year a meaningful one.

Publications

One for the books! We published six books this year, together with twenty-two journal articles and book chapters.

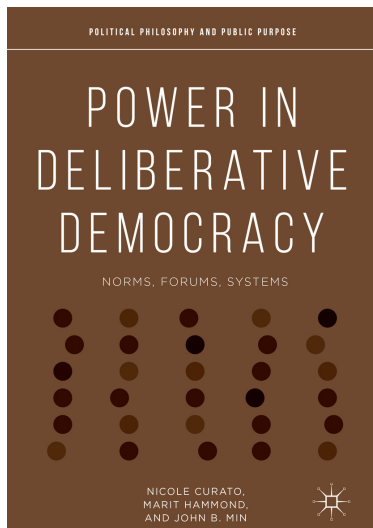
BOOKS



The Ethics of Multiple Citizenship (2018, Cambridge University Press)

By Ana Tanasoca

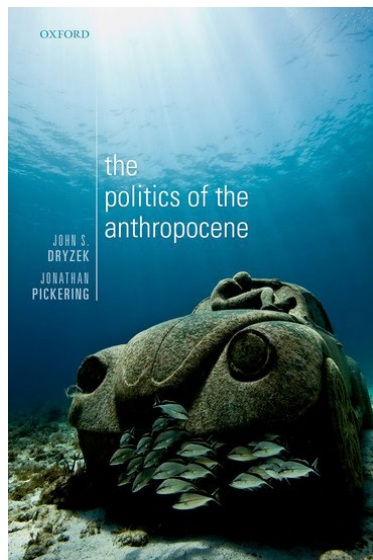
The Ethics of Multiple Citizenship provides the first sustained ethical analysis of multiple citizenship, organised around two central areas of concern: (1) various grounds of acquisition of multiple citizenship (birthright, naturalization, investment), and (2) the domestic and global consequences of multiple citizenship. As such, the book integrates this topic within broader normative debates in international ethics and political philosophy on global justice, the ethics of citizenship and migration, commodification, the boundary problem, and social choice theory.



Power in Deliberative Democracy: Norms, Forums, Systems (2018, Palgrave)

By Nicole Curato, Marit Hammond and John Min

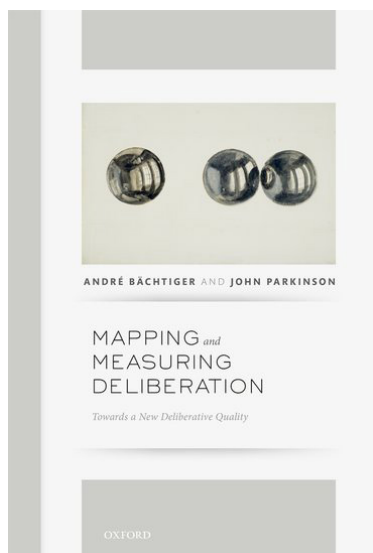
Our Senior Research Fellow Nicole Curato joined forces with Deliberative Democracy Summer School alumni Marit Hammond and John Min to write the first book that systematically addresses questions of power in deliberative democracy – a thorny issue the field has long been accused of ignoring.



Politics of the Anthropocene (2019, Oxford University Press)

By John Dryzek and Jonathan Pickering

The first book coming out of John Dryzek's Australian Research Council Laureate Project is The Politics of the Anthropocene, written by John Dryzek and our post-doctoral research fellow Jonathan Pickering. The book not only identifies the political implications of living in an epoch with rapidly changing climate and biodiversity loss, but also provides a vision for a world in which humans are no longer estranged from the Earth system but engage with it in a more productive relationship.



Mapping and Measuring Deliberation: Towards a New Deliberative Quality (2019, Oxford University Press)

By André Bächtiger and John Parkinson

This latest book from our Adjunct Professor John Parkinson makes a case for a contingent, performative, and distributed understanding of deliberation and advocates a new agenda for deliberative empirical scholarship. The book is co-authored with our Centre's Associate, André Bächtiger.

EDITED BOOKS

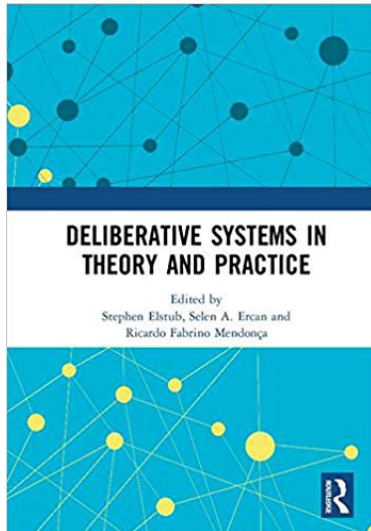


Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy (2018, Oxford University Press)

Edited by André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge and Mark E. Warren

Deliberative democracy has been one of the main games in contemporary political theory for two decades, growing enormously in size and importance in political science and many other disciplines. The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy takes stock of deliberative democracy as a research field, in philosophy, in various research programmes in the social sciences and law, and in political practice around the globe. It provides a concise history of deliberative ideals in political thought and discusses their philosophical origins.

The book is co-edited by John Dryzek and features contributions from our staff members including Nicole Curato, Jensen Sass, John Parkinson and Simon Niemeyer.



Deliberative Systems in Theory and Practice (2018, Routledge)

Edited by Stephen Elstub, Selen A. Ercan and Ricardo Fabrino Mendonça

The 'systemic turn' in deliberative democracy has opened new ways of conceptualising deliberative practice in contemporary times but it also raises a range of conceptual, methodological, and practical issues. Our Associate Professor Selen Ercan, together with our associates Stephen Elstub and Ricardo Fabrino Mendonça put together a timely collection to closely examine these issues.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

1. Curato, Nicole and Calamba, Septrin. Surviving disasters by suppressing political storms: Participation as knowledge-transfer in community-based disaster governance. *Critical Sociology*.
2. Curato, Nicole and Parry, Lucy. Deliberation in Democracy's Dark Times. *Journal of Public Deliberation*.
3. Curato, Nicole. From Authoritarian Enclaves to Deliberative Utopia? Governance logics in post-disaster reconstruction. *Disasters*.
4. Curato, Nicole and Lasco, Gideon. 'Medical Populism.' *Social Science and Medicine*.
5. Mendonça, Ricardo Fabrino, Ercan, Selen A., Ozguc, Umut, Reis, Stephanie and Simoes, Paula G. Protests as 'Events:' The symbolic struggles in 2013 demonstrations in Turkey and Brazil. *Revista de Sociologia e Política*.
6. Ercan, Selen, Hendriks, Carolyn and Dryzek, John. Public deliberation in an era of communicative plenty. *Policy and Politics*.
7. Nishiyama, Kei. Enabling children's deliberation in deliberative systems: Schools as a mediating space. *Journal of Youth Studies*.
8. Nishiyama, Kei. The dialogue-based education in the multicultural society. *International Education (Kokusai Kyoiku)*. [in Japanese]
9. Nishiyama, Kei. Using the community of inquiry for interviewing children: Theory and practice. *International Journal of Social Research Methodology*.

10. Pickering, Jonathan, McGee, Jeffrey S., Karlsson-Vinkhuyzen, Sylvia I., and Wenta, Joseph. Global Climate Governance between Hard and Soft Law: Can the Paris Agreement's 'Crème Brûlée' Approach Enhance Ecological Reflexivity? *Journal of Environmental Law*.
11. Pickering, Jonathan. Ecological Reflexivity: Characterising an Elusive Virtue for Governance in the Anthropocene. *Environmental Politics*.
12. Ransan-Cooper, Hedda, Ercan, Selen, and Duus, Sonya. When anger meets joy: How emotions mobilise and sustain the anti-coal seam gas movement in regional Australia. *Social Movement Studies*.
13. Sass, Jensen. The Cryptonormative Swamp: A Response to Abbott's 'Varieties of Normative Inquiry.' *The American Sociologist*.
14. Schlosberg, David, Collins, Lisette and Niemeyer, Simon. Adaptation Policy and Community Discourse: Risk, Vulnerability, and Just Transformation. *Environmental Politics*.

BOOK CHAPTERS

1. Bächtiger, André, Dryzek, John S., Mansbridge, Jane and Warren, Mark E. 'Deliberative Democracy: An Introduction,' in *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Edited by André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge, and Mark E. Warren. Oxford: Oxford University Press.
2. Curato, Nicole and Ong, Jonathan Corpus. 'Who laughs at a rape joke? Crass politics and ethical responsiveness in Rodrigo Duterte's Philippines,' in *Ethical Responsiveness and the Politics of Difference*. Edited by Tanja Dreher and Anushman Mondal. New York: Palgrave.
3. Curato, Nicole and Steiner, Jürg. 'Deliberative Democracy and Comparative Democratisation Studies,' in *Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Edited by André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge, and Mark E. Warren. Oxford: Oxford University Press
4. Curato, Nicole and Webb, Adele. 'Populism in the Philippines,' in *Populism Around the World*. Edited by Daniel Stockemer. Berlin: Springer.
5. Niemeyer, Simon J. and Jennstål, Julia. 'Scaling Up Deliberative Effects: Applying Lessons of Mini-Publics,' in *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Edited by André Bächtiger.
6. Nishiyama, Kei. 'Education and mutual-understanding in the multicultural society: Philosophy in schools in Australia,' in *Lifelong education in the age of multicultural and multiethnic world*. Edited by Shogo Iwasaki. [in Japanese]
7. Nishiyama, Kei. 'Philosophical practice across the globe,' in *The handbook of philosophical practice*. Edited by Tetsuya Kono. [in Japanese]
8. Parkinson, John. 'Deliberative systems,' in *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Edited by André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge, and Mark E. Warren. Oxford: Oxford University Press.

9. Parry, Lucy and Alver, Jane. 'Democratic Innovation in Australasia,' in *Handbook of Democratic Innovation and Governance*. Edited by Stephen Elstub, & Oliver Escobar. Cheltenham: Edward Elgar Publishing.
10. Sass, Jensen. 'Deliberative Ideals Across Diverse Societies' in *The Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy*. Edited by André Bächtiger, John S. Dryzek, Jane Mansbridge, and Mark E. Warren. Oxford: Oxford University Press

TRANSLATION

1. Dryzek, John S. *The Politics of the Earth: Environmental Discourses*. Slovenian edition, University of Ljubljana Press.

Grants

Putting the deliberative promise into practice. This year's grants focused on practical applications of deliberative democracy in the region.





Deliberation in Schools

Pierrick Chalaye and Kei Nishiyama

Our PhD students Pierrick Chalaye and Kei Nishiyama, together with the Centre's Associate Wendy Russel (Double Arrow Consulting), received funding from the International Association for Public Participation to pilot a program introducing deliberation in ACT's public schools. The program Deliberation in Schools aims to build school children's capacity to listen, reason, think, communicate and collaborate, so that they have the resources to engage productively as democratic citizens.

Great Barrier Reef Futures Citizens' Jury

Simon Niemeyer and Hannah Barrowman

Simon Niemeyer and Hannah Barrowman are collaborating with Claudia Benham (James Cook University) in a project trialling deliberative engagement on the future of the Great Barrier Reef. The three-day Citizens' Jury examines issues of reef management and regional economic development in the context of climate change.

Aircraft noise management

Simon Niemeyer

Simon Niemeyer has been collaborating with Ron Brent on the development of a research agenda on public engagement and aircraft noise management.

Ron Brent, who is an Associate of IGPA and the Centre, is a former Commonwealth Aircraft Noise Ombudsman, whose successful experience in the role turned out to align very closely to concepts associated with deliberative engagement. Preliminary work began with Perth Airport this year. The project aims to build a consortium of airports in Australia and overseas collaborating on a wider project that seeks to understand public perceptions around aircraft noise and the role of listening in contexts described as deliberative in improving outcomes, both in terms of noise management and levels of annoyance.

Deliberating with Deplorables?

Nicole Curato

Nicole Curato received the prestigious Toyota Foundation Research grant to run deliberative forums in the Philippines under an increasingly illiberal state. 'Beyond Demagogues and Deplorables: Transforming Populist Rhetoric for Participatory Futures' is a two-year grant that examines how populist voters often disparaged as deplorables can engage in careful deliberation to identify the challenges of political communication today.

Prizes

A year of prizes! Our Centre's winning streak is defined by recognition for rigorous scholarship and meaningful public engagement.



The Max Crawford Medal

Our post-doctoral research fellow Ana Tanasoca is the recipient of this year's Max Crawford Medal— Australia's most prestigious award for achievement and promise in the humanities. It is presented to an Australian-based, early-career scholar for outstanding achievement in the humanities, distinct originality and creativity, and cross-disciplinary research of national significance that is accessible to the general public. The Medal has been awarded since 1992.

Pete Hay Environmental Politics Prize

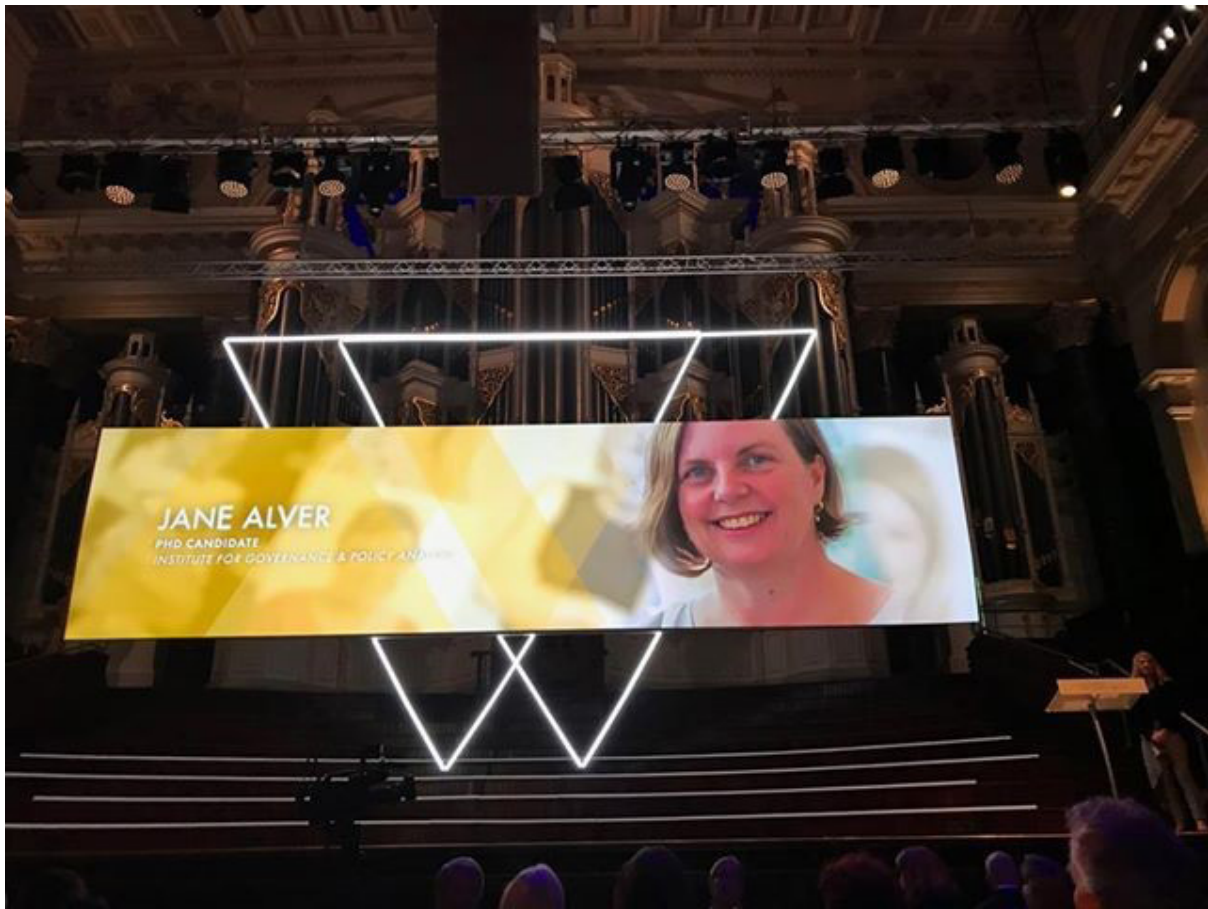
Jonathan Pickering received the Pete Hay Environmental Prize for the paper 'Deliberative Ecologies: Engaging Complexity Theory to Understand How Deliberative Systems Emerge and Change.' The prize is awarded by the Australian Political Studies Association's Environmental Politics and Policy Standing Group.

Ken Young Prize for the Best Paper

Selen Ercan won the Ken Young prize for her paper 'Studying public deliberation after the systemic turn: the crucial role for interpretive research.' The article was co-written with our associates Carolyn Hendriks and John Boswell, published in 2017 in *Policy and Politics*.

University of Canberra Research Excellence Prize

Nicole Curato received University of Canberra's Research Excellence Prize. The award recognises Nicole's track record in combining her scholarly research with public engagement.



100 Women of Influence

Jane Alver was named by the Australian Financial Review as one of 100 Women of Influence in the Public Policy category. This year's recipients were honoured for demonstrating courage, resilience and self-development through challenges and hardships.

Conferences and Public Lectures

From Brisbane to Sharm El-Sheikh, our travel diaries did not gather any dust this year.



A Brisbane Reunion

International Political Science Association (IPSA) World Congress of Political Science, July 21-25

Our Centre had a strong presence at the IPSA conference this year. Jane Alver, Wendy Conway-Lamb, Nicole Curato, John Dryzek, Selen Ercan, Kei Nishiyama, John Parkinson, Jonathan Pickering, and Jensen Sass presented papers on various topics, from grounded normative theory to Pacific feminism.

Selen co-convoked three panels on deliberative democracy 'Beyond Talk,' in collaboration with Centre Associates Hans Asenbaum (University of Westminster)

and Ricardo Mendonça (Federal University of Minas Gerais). Meanwhile, Wendy, Jonathan, and John presented in environmental politics panels featuring their latest research based on the ARC Laureate Project.

The IPSA conference also served as a reunion with some of our former staff, visitors, and summer school alumni.



A Postcard from Hamburg

European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR) General Conference,
August 22-25

Nicole Curato and our associate Sofie Marien were co-conveners of the Democratic Innovations Section at the ECPR conference. This year's panels were among the most well-attended, featuring paper presentations from Selen Ercan and Simon Niemeyer from the Centre.

A roundtable session also took place, taking stock of *Deliberative Policy Analysis*, fifteen years since it was first published by our Adjunct Professor Henrik Wagenaar with Martin Hajer (University of Amsterdam).



Deliberative Democrats Meet Habermas

University of Stuttgart, August 2

Deliberative democracy's luminaries, including very our own John Dryzek, participated in a one-day, invitation-only symposium at the University of Stuttgart. The event was organised in honour of Jürgen Habermas. In true deliberative form, the event steered a neat path around the hagiographic to deal with the most pressing issues in the field, including points of divergence with Habermas' contributions.

The following day saw John deliver a public speech on 'A Deliberative Response to the Crisis of Democracy.'



Earth System Governance Conference

University of Utrecht, November 5-8

John Dryzek and Jonathan Pickering continued their roles at the Earth System Governance (ESG) Conference, chairing panels, presenting papers and joining Innovative Sessions covering a range of governance-related topics including accountability, justice in global biodiversity and global sustainability.

Jonathan was also part of the ESG Winter School and chaired a meeting of the Ecological Democracy Working Group. John concluded his longstanding membership of the Earth System Governance project's Scientific Steering Committee, and Jonathan joined as a new member of the Committee.

AUSTRALIA

Nardine Alnemr

Jane Alver

Paper Presenters, Political
Organisations and
Participation Workshop
Macquarie University

Jane Alver

Wendy Conway-Lamb

Nicole Curato

John Dryzek

Selen Ercan

Kei Nishiyama

John Parkinson

Jonathan Pickering

Jensen Sass

Paper Presenters,
IPSA Conference
Brisbane

Jane Alver

Moderator, Intergrity20,
Seeking Equality
Griffith University

Nicole Curato

Kei Nishiyama

Emerson Sanchez

Paper Presenters, Asian
Studies Association of Australia
Conference
University of Sydney

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Philippines Update
Australian National University

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Sydney Encounter
with Nadia Urbinati
University of Sydney

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Is Populism Our Future?
University of Sydney

Nicole Curato

Speaker, 2018 ASEAN-Australia
Dialogue
PwC Sydney

Nicole Curato

Seminar, Griffith Asia Institute
Seminar
University of Griffith

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, ANU Methodology
for Integrative, Collaborative,
and Interdisciplinary
Engagement Forum
Australian National University

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, A Crisis of Expertise?
Legitimacy and the challenge of
policymaking
University of Melbourne

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, Imagining a Different
Future: Overcoming Barriers to
Climate Justice
University of Tasmania

Emerson M. Sanchez

Speaker, New Challenges for
Rights Consciousness and Civil
Society in Asia
University of Melbourne

Jensen Sass

Speaker, Sociology Seminar Series
Australian National University

Belgium

John Dryzek

Simon Niemeyer

Speakers, Democratic Innovations and Legitimacy Research Group

KU Leuven

Cyprus

Selen Ercan

Paper Presenter, ECPR Joint Sessions

University of Nicosia

Denmark

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Nordic Institute for Asian Studies Seminar

University of Copenhagen

Egypt

Jonathan Pickering

Pierrick Chalaye

Participants, UN Biodiversity Conference – Convention on Biodiversity

Sharm El-Sheikh

France

Nardine Alnemr

Participant, Internet Governance Forum

UNESCO Headquarters

Germany

Nicole Curato

Selen Ercan

Simon Niemeyer

Paper Presenters, ECPR General Conference

University of Hamburg

Emerson M. Sanchez

Speaker, Philippine Studies Summer Lectures

Humboldt University

Simon Niemeyer

Speaker, Colloquium: Selected Problems of Comparative
Democracy Research

University of Stuttgart

Japan

Kei Nishiyama

Guest Lecturer, Deliberation in schools

National Institute of Technology of Tokyo

Kei Nishiyama

Guest Lecturer, Philosophy in Schools in Australia

Rikkyo University

Kei Nishiyama

Guest Lecturer, Lifelong Education Course on Multiculturalism
and deliberative education

Waseda University

Netherlands

Nicole Curato

Speaker, International Institute of Social Studies Seminar Series

The Hague

John Dryzek

Jonathan Pickering

Speakers, Earth System Governance Annual Conference

University of Utrecht

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, Earth System Governance Winter School
University of Utrecht

Qatar

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Democracy contra Liberalism
Georgetown University

Singapore

Nicole Curato

Speaker, Roundtable on Humanitarian Technologies and Innovation
Nanyang Technological University

Spain

John Dryzek

Speaker
Fundacion Tatiana Perez de Guzman el Bueno, Madrid

John Dryzek

Speaker, Global Studies Public Lecture
University of Salamanca

South Africa

Wendy Conway-Lamb

Speaker, Adaptation Futures
Cape Town

Sweden

John Parkinson

Plenary Speaker, European Network for Housing Research
Uppsala University

Simon Niemeyer

Speaker, Department of Government Seminar
Uppsala University

Simon Niemeyer

Speaker, Environmental Communication Seminar
Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences

Switzerland

Nicole Curato

Keynote Speaker, The Philippine Paradox: Trending Traditionalism(s)
University of Zürich

Emerson Sanchez

Speaker, Department of Ethnology Seminar Series
University of Lucerne

United Kingdom

John Dryzek

Speaker, Political Economy Centre Seminar
University of Manchester

John Parkinson

Paper Presenter, Political Studies Association Conference
Cardiff University

United States

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, Call for Methodological Diversity: Understanding the
Inside of Environmental Agreement Making
University of California Berkeley

Jonathan Pickering

Speaker, International Studies Association Convention
San Francisco

Events

We hosted workshops on theory and methods, plus Deliberative Democracy Summer School goes to Finland!

Assessing Deliberation: A Methods Workshop

JULY 18

Assessing Deliberation showcased methodological innovations in examining deliberative democracy after the systemic turn.

Speakers: Hans Asenbaum (University of Westminster), Nicole Curato (University of Canberra), John Dryzek (University of Canberra), Albert Dzur (Bowling Green State University), Dannica Fleuß (Helmut-Schmidt University), Carolyn Hendriks (Australian National University), Jonathan Kuyper (University of Oslo/Stockholm University), Ricardo Mendonça (University of Minas Gerais) and Kei Nishiyama (University of Canberra).

Convened by Nicole Curato and Selen Ercan with Hans Asenbaum (Centre for the Study of Democracy at the University of Westminster) and Ricardo Mendonça (MARGEM: Research Group on Democracy and Justice at the Federal University of Minas Gerais)



Assessing Deliberation

July 18



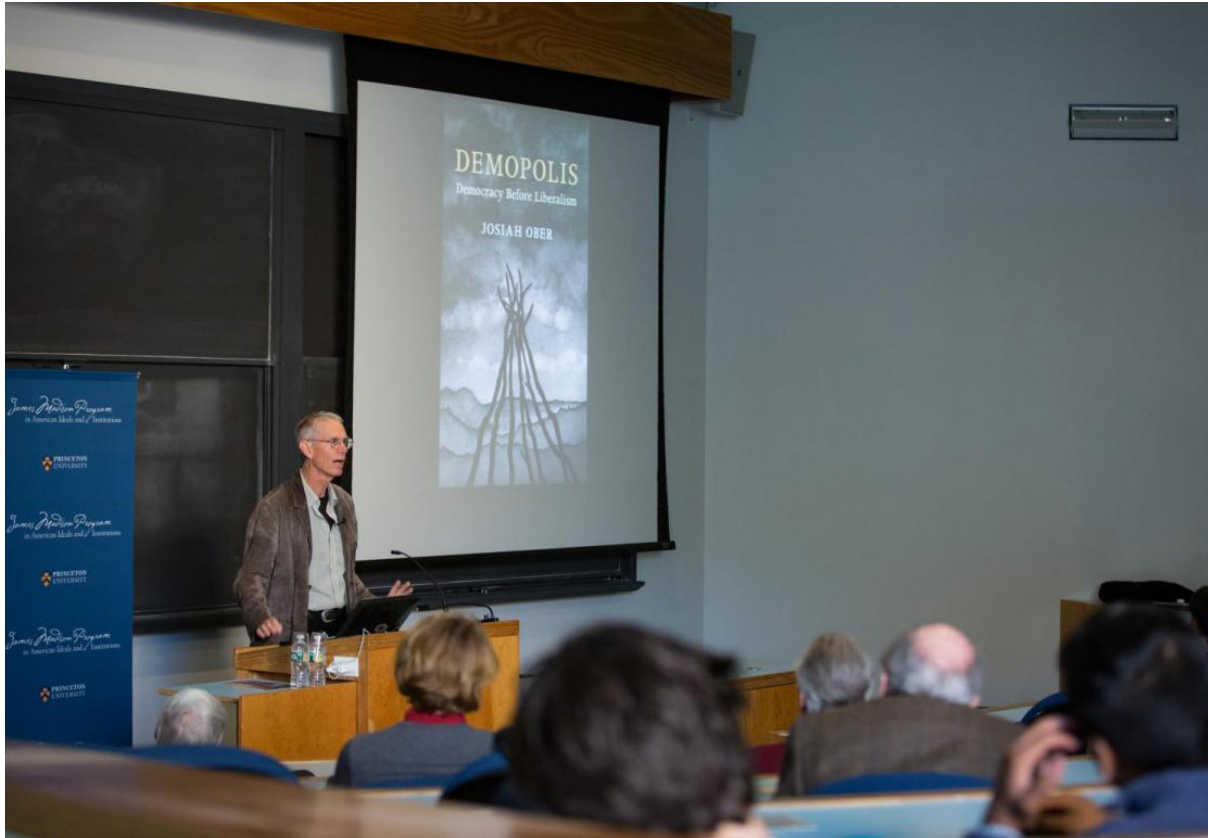


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Book Workshop: The Greeks and the Rational: The Discovery of Practical Reason

NOVEMBER 13

This workshop probed Josiah Ober's captivating work-in-progress on practical reason in Ancient Greece. Topics covered instrumental rationality in the works of Plato and Aristotle, rational choice and institutional design in the ancient world, deliberation and bargaining in political, interpersonal, and interstate contexts.

Speakers and discussants: Josiah Ober (Stanford University), Geoffrey Brennan (ANU), Ned Dobos (UNSW-Canberra), Robert Goodin (ANU), Nicholas Southwood (ANU), and Ana Tanasoca (University of Canberra)

Convened by Ana Tanasoca
Supported by the Australian Research Council Laureate Project

III Deliberative Democracy Summer School

JUNE 27 - 29

The Deliberative Democracy Summer School travelled to Finland this year, co-hosted by Åbo Akademi and University of Turku. Nicole Curato, John Dryzek and Simon Niemeyer, and our incoming post-doctoral research fellow Francesco Veri represented the Centre in the summer school.

MESSAGES FROM THE CO-CONVENERS

Kimmo Grönlund, Åbo Akademi

The third Summer School in Deliberative Democracy gathered over sixty participants from all over the world to Turku/Åbo in Finland at the end of June. The Summer School was a concrete achievement of the collaboration between the Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance at the University of Canberra, and the Social Science Research Institute at Åbo Akademi University and the Political Science departments at Åbo Akademi University and the University of Turku. The collaborative Summer School strengthens the global network of leading scholars in deliberative democracy and provides doctoral students opportunities to learn and disseminate their work with peers.

Maija Setälä, University of Turku

The Deliberative Democracy Summer School is a well-known brand among the scholars of deliberative democracy. Organizing the Summer School in Turku/Åbo was a wonderful opportunity for us to host many brilliant scholars and students. We had a rather specific theme, namely 'Implementing Citizen Deliberation as a Democratic Practice,' which reflected our own research interests. This might have especially attracted students with empirical approaches and quantitative methods. I believe the next Summer School in Canberra will look quite different from the one in Finland, which is good considering the variety of approaches in the field.

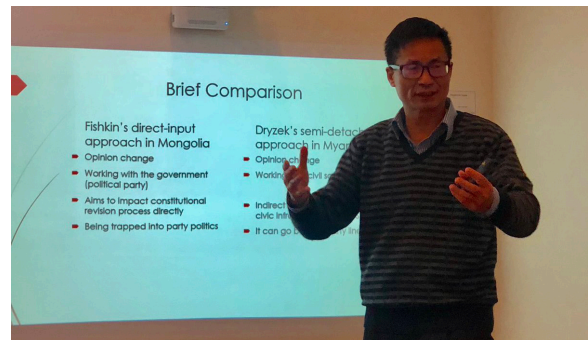




Seminar Series

The Centre holds weekly morning tea and seminars on Tuesdays.





February 6

Kei Nishiyama, University of Canberra

When anger turns hip-hop: The deliberative capacity of teenagers' festive protests in Japan

February 13

Anne Phillips, London School of Economics

Descriptive Representation Revisited

February 20

Rebecca Colvin, Australian National University

Conflict and complexity in a participatory process: Lessons from a wind energy dispute in King Island, Tasmania

March 6

Maija Jäske, University of Turku

Democratic innovations and maxi-publics: Studying the influence of participation possibilities on public perceptions of legitimacy in Finland

March 20

Lyn Carson, The newDemocracy Foundation

The newDemocracy Foundation: How might institutional collaboration be cultivated?

April 3

Jensen Sass, University of Canberra

Unveiling the mandate

May 9

Peter MacLeod, MASS LBP

Creative public: Deliberation in Canada and the story of MASS LBP

June 5

Matt Ryan, University of Southampton

Comparing democratic innovations

June 12

Jonathan Pickering, University of Canberra

Deliberative ecologies: Viewing deliberative systems as complex systems

June 26

Anjtte Busch, RWTH Aachen University

Women's participation in the Bougainville peace process and post-conflict political order: Understanding post-conflict gender norm shift on the level of local government

July 3

Nikolai Gad, Newcastle University

Revitalising intra-party democracy through digital democratic innovations: The case of Danish political party Alternativet

July 10

Rhett Larson, Arizona State University

New water for dispute resolution: Tribal water disputes in Arizona and refugee host communities in Lebanon and Jordan

July 17

Albert Dzur, Bowling Green State University

Carolyn Hendriks, Australian National University

Citizen agency in democratic innovations: Insights from citizen-led governance innovations

July 19

James Wong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

Epistemic injustice and the division of deliberative labour

August 7

Patti Tamara Lenard, University of Ottawa

Should democracies permit citizens to select refugees for admission and resettlement?

August 14

Dannica Fleuß, Helmut-Schmidt University

Arguing for deliberation without ultimate justification: Why we should decide to be deliberative democrats

August 21

Tamirace Fakhoury, Lebanese American University

Refugee politics in the Middle East and the governance of Syria's mass displacement

September 11

Katharina Esau, University of Düsseldorf

What prevents or promotes listening? A relational content analysis of reciprocity in online political discussions

October 2

Mei-Fang Fan, National Yang-Ming University

Indigenous grassroots participation and the coevolution of deliberative systems

October 9

Anika Gauja, University of Sydney

Political parties as participatory arenas

Elisabeth Alber, Eurac Research in South Tyrol

The institutionalization of deliberative democracy in European multi-levels states: A comparative analysis of the experience of South Tyrol

October 16

Nicole Curato, University of Canberra

How to get away with murder? The everyday politics of justification in illiberal times

October 23

Hemant Ojha, University of Canberra

Deliberation across borders: Rethinking science-policy interface in transboundary river governance in the Himalayas

October 30

Baogang He, Deakin University

Michael Breen, Melbourne University

Deliberative democracy and federal constitutional design and building in Myanmar

November 6

Josiah Ober, Stanford University

Democracy before liberalism in theory and practice

November 20

Matteo Bonotti, Monash University

Multilingual parties and the ethics of partisanship

December 11

Hayley Stevenson, Universidad Torcuato Di Tella

Learning to Value Nature? International organizations and the promotion of ecosystem services

Visitors

Visiting fellows are vital to the Centre's intellectual life. This year, we hosted fifteen scholars from all over the world.

Asia

Tamirace Fakhoury

Lebanese American University

Mei-Fang Fan

National Yang-Ming University

Australia

Peter Balint

University of New South Wales (Canberra)

Europe

Elisabeth Alber

Eurac Research in South Tyrol

Nikolai Gad

Newcastle University

Hans Asenbaum

University of Westminster

Maija Jäske

University of Turku

Katharina Esau

Heinrich-Heine-Universität
Düsseldorf

Jonathan Kuyper

University of Oslo
Stockholm University

Dannica Fleuß

Helmut-Schmidt University

Marta Wojciechowska

London School of Economics

North America

Albert Dzur

Bowling Green State University

Josiah Ober

Stanford University

Latin America

Ricardo Mendonça

University of Minas Gerais

Hayley Stevenson

Universidad Torcuato Di Tella

VISITOR TESTIMONIALS



Albert Dzur

Bowling Green State University

Recipient of University of Canberra's
Distinguished International Prize for 2018

The Centre is an inspiring and welcoming intellectual community, facilitating scholarly work on democracy of great diversity, acuity, and depth. It is an ideal environment, whether one is testing out fully formed ideas, or incubating just hatched work in progress.

Taking part in the Assessing Deliberation Methods Workshop provided insights into core issues others in our broad field are working on. It was also extremely useful to present a seminar on emergent research, conducted with Carolyn Hendriks, on citizen-led governance innovations. We were able to bring forward a conceptual framework still very much in formation within a supportive, creative, and constructively critical environment.

**Tamirace Fakhoury**

Lebanese American University

My stay at the Centre provided opportunities for me to present my work on refugee governance in the Middle East. I had extended conversations about my work with many colleagues and PhD students, which led to exploring possibilities of co-writing publications, joint grant applications and formalizing research ties with the University of Duisburg-Essen where I am currently a research fellow. My visit was definitely worthwhile.

**Mei-Fang Fan**

National Yang-Ming University

I visited the Centre for six months this year. During this visit, I had the chance to learn more about the deliberative systems approach as well as connect to the global community of deliberative democracy scholars. I find the seminars, workshops and reading groups, and, most of all, the collegial work environment inspiring. I am grateful for the members of the Centre for their insightful feedback on my papers. As an outcome of this visit, I am now writing a book on deliberative democracy and democratizing science in Taiwan. I hope to continue to learn from the Centre's world-leading scholars.



Katharina Esau

University of Düsseldorf

The decision to come to the Centre in the final stage of my PhD was, without exaggeration, one of the best I have ever made. One of the reasons is the people and the unique atmosphere at the Centre. They have given me numerous opportunities to talk about my research on deliberative democracy and online deliberation. The exchange on theoretical and methodical questions has brought me forward a lot, not only in my doctoral thesis, but also in current articles and future projects. The feedback has been incredibly helpful and has opened new avenues and perspectives for my research.

I have to say that one can really only learn from the culture of listening, constructive criticism and social life at the Centre. I very much hope to see the new colleagues in the future at international conferences and hopefully also in Canberra. I would swap the German summer for the winter in Australia at any time again!

**Dannica Fleuß**

Helmut-Schmidt University

Visiting the Centre was one of the most stimulating experiences of my academic life. I particularly enjoyed the exciting combination of theoretical and empirical deliberation scholars from different disciplinary and methodological backgrounds.

During my visit, I benefited from a broad range of excellent workshops and seminar sessions as well as intense personal discussions with the Centre's world-leading experts.

These academic collaborations were complemented by a lovely and inclusive social environment which instantly erased all jet lag-symptoms and included practical exercises in 'kitchentable deliberation,' joint bouldering tours and nights out. I am very grateful for the collaborations at all these levels and the welcoming atmosphere.

**Peter Balint**

University of New South Wales Canberra

I have had a very rewarding time at the Centre and Institute. In my short time, I managed to participate in Workshops on Authenticity, and Deliberative Policy Analysis, as well as attend Deliberative Democracy Seminars. I've had some great conversations and sowed the seeds for what look like some interesting future joint projects. This is certainly a wonderful place, with a very rich and unique research culture and it's been a great privilege to be a visitor.

**Nikolai Gad**

My visit at the Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance proved to be a very rewarding experience. I got invaluable feedback on my own research from members of the Centre and found a lot of inspiration in the impressive work done there.

I had the opportunity to participate in several academic events while visiting, all of which was of exceptional quality.

As a PhD candidate, still in the early stages of my career, it was also a great opportunity to get acquainted with how academia works in a different environment than I am used to. Everyone was very welcoming and I am very grateful that I had the opportunity to visit.

Reading Group

Every now and then, we get together to reflect on the recent developments in deliberative democracy. Here's what we read this year.

February 20

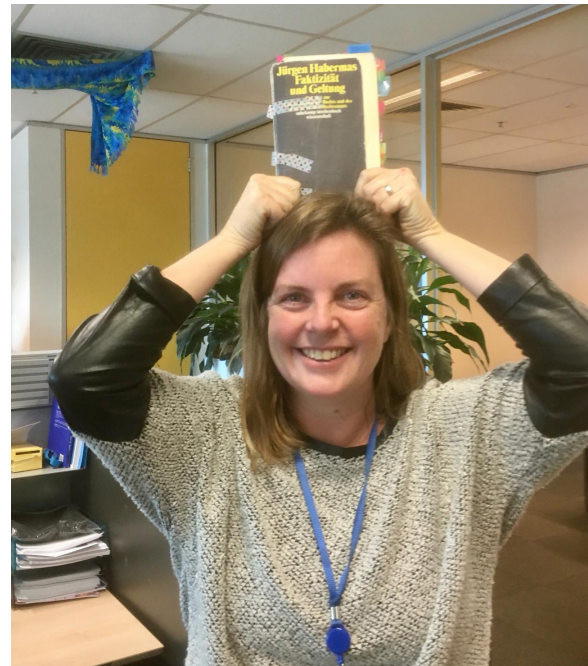
Talisse, Robert (2018) New trouble for deliberative democracy. *Les ateliers de l'éthique*. 12(1): 107-123.

March 27

Engelken-Jorge, Marcos (2018) Minimally deliberative systems? Problematisation and the deliberative democratic effects of poorly deliberative communication. *Political Studies*. 66(1): 137-153.

April 24

Boswell, John. (2016) Deliberating downstream: Countering democratic distortions in the policy process. *Perspectives on Politics*. 14(3): 724-737.



May 29

Owen, David and Smith, Graham (forthcoming). Sortition, rotation, and mandate: Conditions for political equality and deliberative reasoning. *Politics and Society*.

August 28

Esau, Katharina (2018) Capturing citizens' values: On the role of narratives and emotions in digital participation. *Analyse & Kritik*, 40 (1): 55-72.

September 25

Moss, Giles., & Coleman, Stephen (2014). Deliberative Manoeuvres in the Digital Darkness: e-Democracy Policy in the UK. *British Journal of Politics and International Relations*. 16(3): 410-427.

Teaching

Our Centre teaches in the Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis's Public Policy unit. Here are the topics we covered this year.

THEORY AND PRACTICE OF DEMOCRACY

Introduction to Deliberative Democracy

John Dryzek

Methods that Matter: Deliberative Democracy

Nicole Curato and Simon Niemeyer

The Crisis of Democracy and New Forms of Political Innovations

Selen Ercan

Democratic Innovations in Low and Middle-Income Countries

Nardine Alnemr, Hannah Barrowman, Wendy Conway-Lamb,
and Nicole Curato

Challenges to Innovation

Simon Niemeyer

Youth Social Movements

Kei Nishiyama

Value Conflicts and Public Participation

Jonathan Pickering

POLICY ANALYSIS

Introduction to Deliberative Democracy

John Dryzek

Environmental Movements and Policy-Making

Pierrick Chalaye

How do populists govern?

Nicole Curato

Advanced Policy Analysis: Visualisation Techniques

Simon Niemeyer

Public Policy by Deliberation

Simon Niemeyer

Environmental Policy and Participatory Democracy

Simon Niemeyer

Co-Production and Transforming Policy

Emerson Sanchez

Business and Power in Democratic Context

Jensen Sass

DelDem Online

We have embraced the age of communicative abundance and started creating digital content!



Deliberation, Culture, Context Podcasts

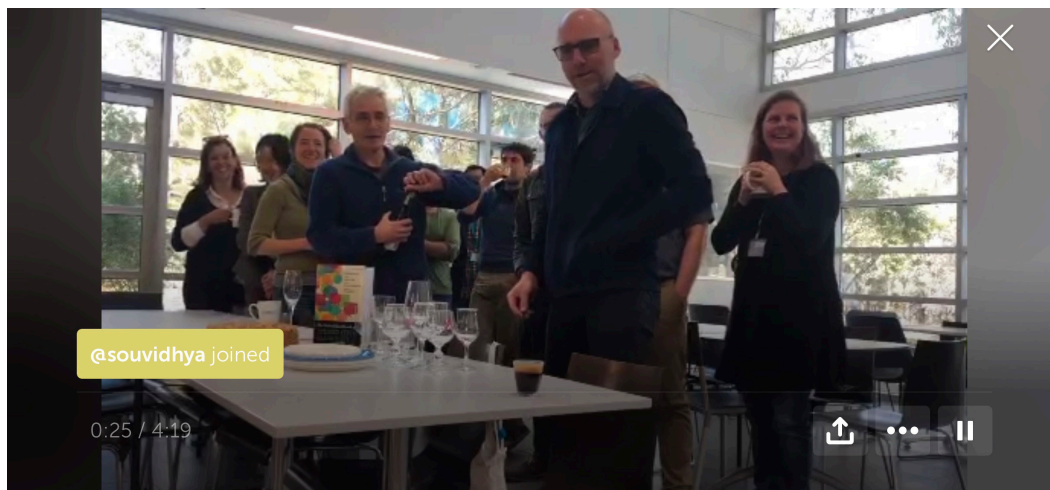
We collaborated with Nivek Thompson's *Real Democracy Now!* and featured the speakers of last year's Deliberation, Culture, Context workshop. Check out their fifteen-minute paper summaries here: <http://realdemocracynow.com.au/>



Book Drop Series

This year, we launched our Book Drop Series uploaded at our [Facebook page](#). Shot in our pop-up studio in Canberra, the series features short discussions about our latest books.

Visit <https://www.facebook.com/DelDemUCan/>



Digital Book Launch

We celebrated the arrival of the Oxford Handbook of Deliberative Democracy with a digital book launch! Check out our Twitter page @DelDemUCan for the live video.

Media Engagement

We did a 360 media engagement this year, maintaining presence on print, telly, radio, and digital.

On Print

Kei Nishiyama wrote for an op-ed for the Canberra Times about student activism on climate change.

Simon Niemeyer and Virginia Haussegger wrote for the Canberra Times to describe what citizen juries can reasonably achieve for the political system.





On Television

Nicole Curato conceptualised and hosted CNN Philippines' inaugural episode of Meet the Millennials. The episode draws attention to the 'invisible millennials' Nicole observed in her research—the young people suffering from disasters, urban crime, and violent conflict.

Jane Alver was interviewed by 9 News about women and trade Programs.



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Why we need to talk about the Parliament Hill renos

Oct 30, 2018

Centre Block is closing at the end of the year, for some badly needed renos. Should it look any different when it re-opens?

CATEGORIES

NEWS

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On the Radio

John Parkinson was on [CBC Ottawa](#) on the imminent redevelopment of the Centre Block of the Canadian Parliament.

On Digital

Nicole Curato produced and hosted *Philippines Beyond Clichés* – a five-part podcast series breaking stereotypes on Philippine politics, culture, and society. This series is supported by New Mandala, the Australian National University's website for Southeast Asian affairs.

We're Blogging!

- Alver, Jane. '#OurTimeNow: Pacific Feminists Creating New Spaces to Talk and To Be Hard,' *Fawcett Society Blog*.
- Curato, Nicole. 'The Philippines: Made in China?' *Commissioned piece for Al Jazeera English*.
- Curato, Nicole and Su, Yvonne. 'Build Back Bitter: Five Lessons Five Years After Haiyan,' *New Mandala*.
- Curato, Nicole. 'Pressing for Freedom: Letters from the Field,' Guest Editor for *BroadAgenda*. (republished by Malaysiakini.com, Rappler.com, and Asia Correspondent).
- Curato, Nicole. 'The Philippines Beyond the Dark Spell,' *AsiaGlobal Online*.
- Ercan, Selen A. and Chalaye, Pierrick. 'Environmental activists flip the gender stereotype,' *BroadAgenda*.
- Ercan, Selen A., Hendriks Carolyn M., Dryzek, John S. 'Coping with Communicative Plenty,' *Discover Society*.
- Ercan, Selen A., Hendriks, Carolyn M., and Boswell, John. 'Catching methods up to concepts. Using interpretive methods to study public deliberation,' *Politics Upside Down*.
- Pickering, Jonathan. 'Assessing the US retreat from the Paris Agreement: backtracking to Kyoto?' *Climate Strategies blog*.
- Parkinson, John. 'A cautionary tale from Australia's parliament buildings,' *Policy Options*.
- Pickering, Jonathan and Chalaye, Pierrick. 'A New Deal for Nature: Time for the UN to Create a "Living Framework" to Tackle Biodiversity Loss,' *Policy Forum*.
- Pickering, Jonathan. 'Assessing the US retreat from the Paris Agreement: backtracking to Kyoto?' *Climate Strategies blog*.
- Ransan-Cooper, Hedda, Ercan, Selen A., Duus, Sonya. 'Getting to the heart of coal seam gas protests- it's not just the technical risks,' *The Conversation*.
- Sanchez, Emerson. 'A New Theatre of War,' Guest Editor for *New Mandala*.
- Tienhaara, Kyla and Dryzek, John S. 'Democracy is the Biggest Victim in Turnbull's War on Charities,' *New Matilda*.

Public Engagement

Our collaboration with key stakeholders in the ACT continue, plus links with the diplomatic community.



DeliberateACT

DeliberateACT is a community of interest aimed at building knowledge and capacity around the practice of deliberative engagement. Meetings are held every six weeks at Old Parliament House, and attended by participants from the ACT and Federal public service, as well as community groups and scholars.

The steering group includes representatives from the ACT government, community groups (Canberra Alliance for Participatory Democracy ACT), community of practice (through our Associate Wendy Russell) and the Centre for Deliberative Democracy and Global Governance (via Simon Niemeyer)

The Centre led the discussion in Meet-up #6 with John Dryzek, Selen Ercan and Simon Niemeyer as speakers.



Engaging the ACT Government

Simon Niemeyer and John Dryzek collaborated with Wendy Russell (Double Arrow Consulting) and Vicky Darling (a former QLD government Minister for the Environment) to develop a framework and strategy for incorporating deliberative concepts and methods into a wider public engagement strategy for the ACT government.

The report was unanimously adopted by the ACT cabinet and endorsed by the legislative assembly.

It recommended the use of deliberative mini publics, with a focus on the wider benefits in building deliberative capacity, in terms of working through complex issues and using the results to communicate to the wider public and inform legislative debates.

Members of the team have maintained an ongoing relationship with the ACT government as they build knowledge and experience in this arena — which includes DeliberateACT.



United Arab Emirates Approach to Climate Change

AUGUST 13

The Centre co-organised a panel discussion with the United Arab Emirates Minister for Climate Change and Environment HE Dr Al Zeyoudi. Included in the panel discussion are our very own Simon Niemeyer, and UC's Barbara Norman, Charles Lemckert, Fiona Dyer and Will Steffen. ANU's Howard Bamsey and Frank Jotzo also took part in the discussion.

The Institute for Governance and Policy Analysis and the Institute for Applied Ecology co-hosted the event.

Partnerships and Linkages

Deliberative democracy is a global project. Here's a snapshot of our connections around the world.

Earth System Governance

John Dryzek and Jonathan Pickering continue to be involved in the Earth System Governance project, the world's largest network of social scientists working on global environmental governance.

John and Jonathan were authors on the project's new ten-year Science and Implementation Plan.

John completed his term as a longstanding member of the project's Scientific Steering Committee, and Jonathan joined the new Committee. Jonathan continued to co-convene the project's working group on ecological democracy and co-edited a special issue of the *Journal of Environmental Policy and Planning* based on the group's work.





Standing Group on Democratic Innovations

Nicole Curato joins André Bächtiger (University of Stuttgart), Kimmo Grönlund (Åbo Akademi), Sofie Marien (KU Leuven), and Jane Suiter (Dublin City University) in the ECPR's Standing Group on Democratic Innovations Steering Committee.

The standing group coordinates activities related to the study of democratic innovations in Europe, with the aim of fostering an epistemic community of scholars working towards understanding how democratic innovations can improve our politics.

The National Science and Technology Institute for Digital Democracy

The Centre collaborates with the Brazilian National Science and Technology Institute for Digital Democracy, which is multi-institutional and multidisciplinary network of research groups and laboratories from all over the world focusing on the use of digital tools to enhance democracy.

We continue our joint research activities with through our associate Ricardo Fabrino Mendonça (Federal University of Minas Gerais).

Participedia

We continue our research partnership with Participedia funded by the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

Participedia is an online, user-generated collaborative project documenting a growing compendium of participatory politics. Our associate, Lucy J Parry has been providing systematic and practical information on democratic innovations from all over Australia.

International Ethics Research Group

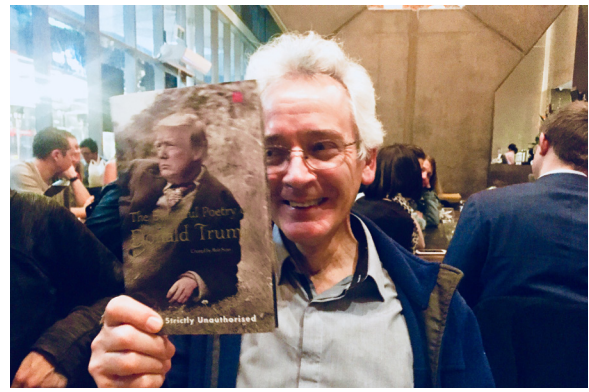
John Dryzek, Jonathan Pickering and Ana Tanasoca are members of the International Ethics Research Group convened by the University of New South Wales Canberra. The group meets regularly to discuss work-in-progress papers. Presentations by Centre members this year included a paper by Jonathan on 'Ethical mapmaking: the epistemic and democratic value of normative theory in Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change assessments'.



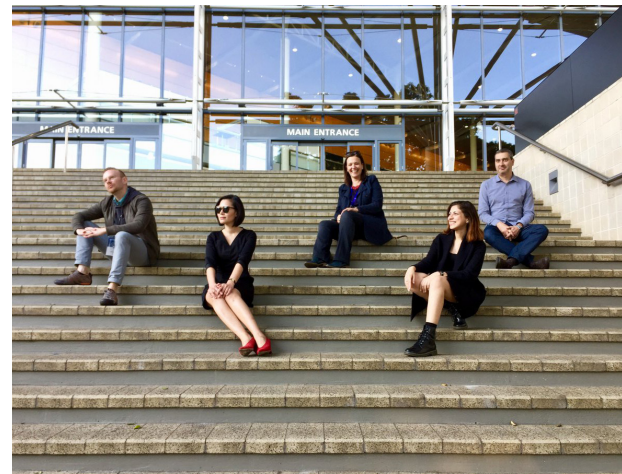
A Social Space

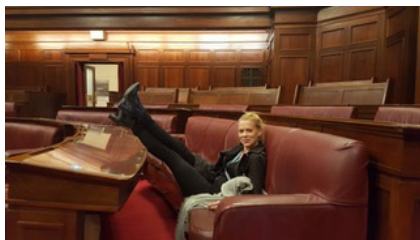
A series of celebrations and achievements—from John's 65th birthday to a successful trek in Tasmania.











Farewell, Welcome, and Congratulations

FAREWELL



We are saying farewell to our Adjunct Professor John Parkinson who will move to Maastricht University in the new year. John will continue as Adjunct Professor of Politics in the Centre until the end of 2019.

WELCOME

This year we were delighted to welcome Mohammad Abdul-Hwas and Nardine Alnemr as our newest PhD students! Mohammad is working with Nicole Curato on humanitarian leadership and deliberation in the Syrian refugee crisis while Nardine is working on deliberative algorithms, supervised by Simon Niemeyer.

Hannah Barrowman also joined us this year. She is a post-doctoral research fellow working on the Australian Research Council Discovery Project on the meta-study of public deliberation and the Great Barrier Reef Citizens' Jury project.

Finally, Hemant Ojha joins us as an Adjunct Associate Professor. He will be developing research projects on deliberative governance of the environment and natural resources in South Asia, as well as being available to help supervise research students.

CONGRATULATIONS



Our warmest congratulations to Kei Nishiyama – our Centre's first successful PhD completion since we moved to the University of Canberra. Kei's dissertation is about children and deliberation, supervised by John Dryzek and Selen Ercan.

A message from Kei

My thesis is built on the intense deliberations with my supervisors, colleagues, and visiting scholars. The topic of my thesis, deliberation and children, is a new research field, but my supervisors guided me to find the right theoretical and empirical direction. I am also grateful to my colleagues for spending time reading my papers and providing brilliant comments. These experiences have given me strength to survive in the academic world and, more importantly, enjoy my research.

The Year Ahead

The year 2019 marks the Centre's fifth year at the University of Canberra. We have events lined up to celebrate this milestone, including public lectures, book launches, workshops and, of course, deliberative pub crawls and inclusive rock-climbing.

We are always happy to hear from our associates and potential collaborators. Send us an email, follow us on Twitter, or send us a postcard.



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