



ALUMNI
REUNION
JULY 93

Blast from the Past

An analysis of your suggestions to date for Reunion topics reveals 'Fun, Fun, Fun' (as one respondent put it) as an important 'overarching' theme, and for this purpose Ludovico's 'presence . . . (was deemed) . . . essential': I can reveal that 'new look' Ludovico has graciously agreed to be the DJ. Indeed parties ('lots'), barbecues, picnics and pantomimes ('with Mick Moore in drag . . . again') were supported in roughly equal measure; slightly less support was shown for sporting activities, and (short) walks on the Downs (although one person wanted to retreat there for the weekend). One respondent warned against 'too much formal intellectual substance' (so what's new?), while another argued in favour of an exclusively academic convention to help participants' funding prospects.

Moving gently towards the intellectual sphere, perhaps we should kick off with a suggested 'Truth or Dare: "Who Sold Out The Most" Competition?' Or

how about an Alumni quiz about bizarre events over the last 20 years?

On a more serious note, contrasting theory with practice is the common thread running through suggested discussion topics: 'Reflections on MPhil/DPhil experience in the light of work experience and changes since graduation'; 'Does Aid Work?' with 'concrete contributions of alumni'; 'Development Strategy' drawing on alumni contributions (by geographical or sectoral grouping); 'Country Themes' with a 'development issues' base, jointly presented by students; 'Sustainable development: is it a new paradigm?' 'Democratic reforms and the promotion of participatory development' 'The qualitative dimensions of oda-impact on long-term institution-building' 'Reconversion of military capacity and development finance'; and a number of MA and DPhil alumnae hope to exchange experiences on how far they have been able to apply the gender insights gained at IDS.

Several of you have offered to give talks or to arrange discussions: a 'Roundtable on the creation of a Mexican, US, Canadian trading bloc'; 'Post coldwar/post Gulf security and development issues'; 'The Arms Trade and Third World Arms production'; 'Development (or the opposite) in East and Central Europe, especially Russia'.

Those who do not expect to be able to attend are keen to feel involved and a number suggested the publication of articles from **all** alumni on careers to date and future plans, (to include details of families and photos); alternatively the completion of follow up questionnaires. Others suggest the publication and distribution of a memory book; a photo collage for each MA/MPhil round. Other ideas include an exchange of alumni articles and a resume exchange (for those seeking work). Keep 'the ideas flowing in; this event will definitely take place; book your seats now! ■

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NEWS

The Alumni Reunion has generated an enthusiastic response: as we go to press 43 have responded very positively, 36 hope to attend and 20 are keen but doubtful. Now you realise it is **next** year, not this, perhaps even more can come? All of the **MA** and **MPhil** rounds are represented (although **MP2** and **MP8** could do with more support); a good **DPhil** turnout is also expected. We hope to attract Fellows past and present and some 'old' faces from the Teaching Area. Who would **you** like to meet? The list below should inspire those still making up their minds. Updated lists and plans will appear throughout the year: please do all **you** can to encourage friends — particularly those not on our mailing list — and alumni in your area to attend!

Hoping to attend	Possible	Doubtful
MP1		
Alan Leather	Alfredo Nunez-Barriga Bhanwar Singh Blas Tomic	Kimihiko Kaku
MP2		
	Diane Wilderspin	
MP3		
Hassan Hakimian Eoin O'Malley	Sarah Bartlett Aleksander Krnjaic Richard Luedde-Neurath	
MP4		
Fermin Adriano Bernardo Mendez-Lugo		Caroline Allison
MP5		
Bernardo Alvarez-Herrera Robin Jackson	Siabdelhadi Amar	Navi Naisoro Barbara Stein
MP6		
Ludovico Alcorta Susan Willett	Peta-Ann Baker Akio Takahara Lori Ann Thrupp Hans Christian Voigt Anita Moritz Yut-Lin Wong	
MP7		
Ken Inoue Tom Hewitt		Maria Cardoso

Hoping to attend	Possible	Doubtful
MP8		
Cissy Wallace		
MP9		
Mike Heller Harriet Lamb Aliko Mouriki Roy Trivedi	Haileselassie Girmay Alison Pyle	Adebayo Adeniyi Jesoni Vitusagavulu Sue Fleck Catherine Mulholland
MP10		
Tom Lines William Lockwood-Benet Isabelle van Notten Grenfell Thomas		Stephen Nartey
MP11		
Joanna Chattaway Avril Ioffe	Jerker Edstrom Amanda Lorio	
MP12		
Katharine Bruchmann Thomas Grammig Cathy Hurst	Julio Hernandez Vivien Lowndes Bolaji Ogunseye Vassilis Papageorgiou	Kate Meagher
MP13		
Robin Mearns Ana Paola Teixeira Miguel Neves	Zav Rustomjee Birdie Knightley	Betty Munoz Eduardo Ramos-Avalos
MP14		
	Hiro Hatashima Kim Tres Julie Lawson Kazu Yoshida	Claude Bart Carlos Talavera-Williams
MA1		
Buzz Harrison		
MA2		
Irene Hoel Pingla Udit Joyce Yu	Atsuko Miwa	
MA3		
Zarina Nahar Kabir		
MA4		
Manal El-Ehemier Joanna Kerr Ramya Subrahmanian Shanti Dairiam	Irene Khayinza Louise Cooper Adesuwa Osumwegie	
DPhils		
Frank Ellis Ruth Pearson Marta Zabaleta Sumit Roy Angela Little Richard Longhurst	Jonathan Kydd Alan Middleton Charles Lane Tes and Alison Tesfachew	Michael Hubbard Maureen Mackintosh Francisco Vio Cesar Vieira



IDS, UOS AND POST-APARTHEID SOUTH AFRICA

Raphie Kaplinsky

As **South Africa** makes the transition to democracy it is time to catch-up on our extensive network of IDS and University of Sussex graduates there. Those visiting SA for the first time are sure to encounter the high profile which we have - for many in the state and business communities, Sussex has long been seen as the home of radical and anti-apartheid activists. And this assessment is well-founded. Consider the following . . .

Thabo MBEKI, who took a first class degree in Economics and an MA in African Studies in the mid 1960s, was voted on to the ANC National Executive Committee. **Albie SACHS** (badly injured by a bomb in Maputo) completed his Phd in the early 1970s and is now a prominent spokesperson on legal affairs.

The ANC's Department of Economic Affairs (DEP) is headed by **Max Sisulu**, who was an IDS study fellow on **SS123**. **Ketso GORDHAN (MP12)** is currently heading the Development Division of the DEP and the terms of reference of the ANC's proposed research institute were written by **Moses NGOASHENG (MP13)**, who also worked for the DEP for some time after his return home.

Probably the largest initiative for the definition of post-Apartheid economic policy is the Industrial Strategy Project, jointly directed by **Raphie KAPLINSKY (DPhil80/81)**, **David KAPLAN (DPhil78)** and **Avril JOFFE (MP11)**. This is sponsored by the Canadian IDRC, the Dutch and the Swedes and lasts for 18 months, with a budget exceeding \$1m. It involves 12 sectoral studies, plus cross-sectoral research on trade, ownership, competition and technology policies. Other Sussex graduates working on the programme are **Anthony BLACK (UoS 1980)**, **Joanna CHATAWAY (MP11)** working on food processing, **Johan MAREE (UoS 1971)** working on textiles, **Pinky MASHIGO** (current DPhil) and **Claudia MANNING (MP14)** working on the informal sector. **Moses NGOASHENG (MP13)** working on



building materials, **Zav RUSTOMJEE (MP13)** working on mining equipment and **Paul ZILLE (UoS 1980)** working on the informal sector.

The list continues. **Mike MORRIS (DPhil81)** is Senior Research Fellow of the Centre for Social and Development Studies at the University of Natal. **Caroline WHITE (UoS DPhil78)** was Professor of Social Anthropology at the University of the Western Cape and has now moved on to the Human Sciences Research Council in Johannesburg. **Doug HINDSON (DPhil83)** is now Acting Director of the Institute for Social and Economic Research at the University of Durban-Westville. He came to IDS in September 1991 to give a seminar on 'Violence, Peace and Reconstruction in South Africa'. **Duncan INNES (DPhil80/81)** has moved from Witwatersrand University and runs the *Innes Brief*, a newsletter for the business community. **Rob DAVIES (UoS DPhil)** spent a number of years working for the ANC in Maputo and now directs the Centre for Southern Africa Studies at the University of the Western Cape. **Brenda COOPER (UoS DPhil77)** researches at the African Studies Centre at the University of Cape Town. **Paul BENNELL (DPhil83)** is employed at the University of the Witwatersrand (having moved there from Zimbabwe), as are **Nicola Swainson** (IDS Visiting Fellow) and **Francine de CLERQUE (UoS 1974)** who was formerly at the University of Botswana. Both **Francis Wilson** and **Sean Archer** (IDS Visiting Fellows during the 1970s) work at the University of Cape Town from where they continue to exercise considerable influence in the debate on post-Apartheid policy. **Carolyn Jenkins** has just completed a Visiting Fellowship here and has returned to the University of Natal. **Essop PAHAD (UoS DPhil72)** is involved as a political activist working for the process of transition. His brother **Aziz PAHAD (UoS 1967)** who took an MA in International Relations is on the National Executive of the ANC and his son starts at UoS in October. **David MAUGHAN-BROWN (UoS 1983)** is acting Vice Principal at the University of Natal and **Belinda BOZZOLI (UoS DPhil75)** teaches at the University of Witwatersrand. **Manto Tshabala (SS118)**, **Paul Sefaloro** and **Ivan Toms (SC20)** are all working for the National Progressive Primary Health Care Network, which is actively involved in the development of policy alternatives for a democratic South Africa. **Godfrey MOKOTE (UoS 1991)** is now pursuing an MA at Essex University. **Mkuseli Jack**, currently studying Economics at UoS was the Public Secretary of the UDF in Eastern Cape and started the 1985 consumer boycott. What will **Fazal ISMAIL (MP14)** and **Edmund Mhlongo (MP15)** and **Sharda Naidoo (MA5)** do on their return?



MA1 (1987-88)

Co-directed by **Kate Young** and **Ann Whitehead** (UoS)

Buzz HARRISON returned briefly to Sussex (AFRAS) in the Spring of this year after seven months fieldwork with fishfarming communities in **Zambia** as part of her three year agriculture project funded by the ODA through the Institute of Agriculture at the University of Stirling. **Buzz** returned to Zambia in June. She is in touch with **Lorenia PARADA** who is still working on her doctorate in **Mexico** and **Pauline ECCLES** still in **Ireland** and travelling widely. **Lily BANU** continues her gender-related research and consultancy in **Bangladesh** and **Daphne OBANG-OYWAY** has been back working in **Sudan**.

MA2 (1988-89)

Co-directed by **Naila Kabeer** and **Hilary Standing** (UoS)

Atsuko MIWA is with UNIFEM in **Thailand** while **Joyce YU** has moved from UNIFEM to UNDP where she is Regional Programme Officer for the Asia and the Pacific Bureau, handling the regional programme on the environment, focussing on agriculture, resource management and the marine environment and 'infiltrating' gender issues. **Joyce** gives an account (opposite) of her life in **New York**.

MAnews

With the fifth round of the **MA in Gender and Development** nearly complete, we shall shortly have just under 60 alumnae plus two alumni (the two men who joined **MA5**). Recruitment is underway for **MA6** and an informal review is in progress, during which all former students are being consulted about the value of the MA in their subsequent careers. IDS Fellows **Susan Joeke**s and **Anne-Marie Goetz** have co-directed recent rounds, and **Georgia Kaufmann** will co-direct **MA6**; **Anne Whitehead** and **Hilary Standing** have continued to provide UoS co-direction. The MA response to the reunion has been strong (see p 2).

The Wilds of New York

Joyce Yu (MA2), recently transferred from UNIFEM to UNDP, but still in **New York** writes:

Living and working in New York City provides me with opportunity to keep in touch with many IDS classmates and Fellows. All of you look forward to the rush of excitement and energy that the City emanates. For those of us who live here it does get into one's blood – sort of an addictive drug despite the infamous street violence, rudeness, deteriorating public services, high cost of living, racial conflicts, etc. I have a privileged window view from the towers of UNDP but my community activities in NYC Chinatown keep me connected to real people and real needs: what the UN calls the 'ground truth'. Today, the excitement is the invasion of Greenpeace climbing the 40 storey combined UNDP and UN Plaza Hotel tower: a steel and glass structure overlooking the UN General Assembly and Secretariat grounds. A man and a woman descended from the rooftop and attempted to unfurl a banner denouncing President Bush's stand on global warming.

Another group of Greenpeace activists created a diversionary action across the road – climbing the USA flagpole (one of the 151 national flags in front of the UN) and chaining themselves to a van and a car decorated with banners and an effigy of Bush. An army of NYC police complete with helicopter, sharpshooters and a fleet of motorcycles watched the drama unfold. Just another day at the UN and the ongoing circus leading to UNCED (UN Conference on Environment and Development).

Over the past years of Reaganomics, NYC has become akin to a developing country. Massive public sector cutbacks, loss of comparative advantage in previously strong sectors such as manufacturing and light industry and even finance with the resulting rising statistics in infant mortality, homelessness, poverty and related crime and drugs. NYC has an annual budget of billions and a larger police force than the armies of most LDCs. The gulf between the rich and poor can be seen in the ordinary sight of limousines and fancy hotels, nightclubs and luxury housing replacing low and moderate housing. This week the lights on the Empire State Building were dimmed by owner Harry Helmsley to note the first day in prison of his wife for tax evasion amounting to millions of dollars. A wicked irony.

On the bright side, we enjoy the diversity of people, cultures and wild behaviour. On the street where I live, at one end there is a Cuban restaurant next to a Chinese take-out next to an Irish Pub and news stands run by Pakistanis and a Puerto Rican grocery store. I forgot the Haitian barber shop and the Jamaican pattie shop. My neighbours down the hallway include an elderly Jewish tailor and his wife, two sisters originally from Lapland and several Afro American families. One cannot imagine the hallway conversations! So, in the middle of the night, I can get fresh fruits and vegetables or a magazine and still have to queue up at the cashier along with the other late-nighters.

Tonight a new play is



opening called 'Havoc on Gold Mountain' portraying the immigration of Chinese to the 'Gold Mountain', the Cantonese expression for America. NYC is still very much the port of entry to America. Most recently, the vast numbers of Russian emigrés constitute an entire community complete with Little Odessa and even a street gang called the 'Albanians' attacking black youths who venture into their new territory. Japan bashing has serious implications for Asians in America. The history of concentration camps for Japanese Americans during WWII is not far from our memories. In reality, the Canadians and British own a far greater share of American-based firms but they are white and did not lose the war. Of course, they also have not called American workers lazy, either.

Recent IDS visitors to NYC have included IDS Fellow **Naila Kabeer**, **Atsuko MIWA (MA2)**,

on her way to UNIFEM in Bangkok, **Robin MEARNS** and **Liz CARTY** (both **MPI3**) attended my annual Christmas tree decorating party and this summer, **Moses NGOASHENG (MPI3)** (number 2 in ANC Economics Unit) and **Pingla UDIT (MA2)** are passing through. On a daily basis, I see **Shella Smith**, our **MA2** Development Economics lecturer. She serves as a senior economic advisor to UNDP. Most impressive, **Muhammad ISHTEYEH (DPHil90)** can be seen on CNN or quoted in the New York Times in his role as coordinator of the Palestinian delegation to the Peace Talks. I guess organising rallies and fundraisers at Sussex is good experience.

Well, the wilds of New York streets call me and I must remember to welcome my IDS friends to give me a ring when you pass through the Big Apple or drop me a line sometime. ■

MA3 (1989-90)

Co-directed by **Pepe Roberts** (now returned to Liverpool University) and **Hilary Standing** (UoS)

Nina BOWEN is with USAID in Washington working on project design for Women in Development and **Ruth JACOBSON** acted as research assistant on SCI9, the gender short course in early 1990, and undertakes various consultancies from her Somerset base.

MA4 (1990-91)

Co-directed by **Susan Joekes** and **Ann Whitehead** (UoS)

Congratulations to **Manal AHMED-EL-EHEMIER** and husband on the production of their beautiful twins, **Sarah** and **Sammy**, in Brighton in April. Also in Brighton, **Rosibel GOMEZ** has just completed her MA in Rural Development in AFRAS at the UoS. Also pursuing academic goals in the UK **Batilda BURIAN** is about to start her doctorate at University College, London in Urban Studies. **Louise COOPER** has also been working in London for ODI on a 10 year development studies review for the Development Studies Association and has recently done two months research assistance for **Jeremy Swift** at IDS on his Mongolian project. Also

in London is **Shanthi DAIRIAM**, working in the Women and Development Programme at the Commonwealth Secretariat. Shanthi returns to **Malaysia** in August. Still in the northern hemisphere, **Joanna KERR** is hard at work with the North-South Institute in **Ottawa**, where she is responsible for the gender inputs in the Institute's programme and has also organised a number of related conferences. She is loving her job but missing Brighton and feeling the cold ('especially since I still have a metre of snow in my back yard in March')

In sunnier climes, **Adesuwu OSUMWEGIE** is back in **Nigeria**, finding it 'unbelievably hot' and expecting to rejoin UNICEF soon. Also heading for the sun, **Lidla FELIX** left for **St Lucia** in the Spring to work as a part-time research assistant on a 'Women and Law' project run by CAFRA; she is off to Canada in September for a conference with **Joanna** and **Shanti**. Further south, **Sandra GARCIA**, back in **Brazil**, recently organised a conference on reproductive rights. **Irene KHAYINZA** has been in the UK on holiday recently from her job at Makerere University in **Uganda**. **Laeticia MUKARASI** has returned to work with Fibreboards (Africa) Ltd in **Tanzania** as manpower development and administrative manager. Finally, **Ramya SUBRAHMANIAN** writes opposite of her return to **India**.

After completing her MA in mid-1991, **Ramya SUBRAHMANIAN (MA4)** travelled extensively before returning home to **Bombay** ('so progressive for single women'). In January 1992 she moved to **Madras** to join a new NGO called Initiatives for Women in Development (IWID) where she is working on projects in the pipeline before moving to **Delhi** to start the Northern India regional office later in the year. She sent this report to **Sue Ong** in January:

The aims of the organisation are threefold - to provide gender training for NGOs and government agencies; to form regional and national networks of NGOs working on gender; to hold workshops and discussions on the organisational weaknesses of NGO structures, especially pertaining to the women working within them - including leadership issues; and to do research on a wide variety of issues, among others, on empowerment (including understanding cross-class perceptions and interpretations of the term). The organisation will also be doing one-to-one consultancies for individual organisations which require help in conceptualising their programmes. It involves a lot of travelling in rural India which is quite exciting.

I'm pretty thrilled about starting work - the first project we're doing is a gender training project for the Tamil Nadu government on sericulture - in fact, the day I arrive in Madras, I will leave for Salem to collect some case study materials.

(front row, left)



MPHILnews

MP1 (1973-75)

co-directed by **Ron Dore** – currently establishing a Centre for the study of Japanese and comparative industrial relations in Bologna (Italy), while maintaining his post at the Centre for the Study of Economic Performance at LSE in London – and **Geoff Lamb**, now co-ordinating the World Bank's Eastern European operations

Chittaranjan ELANGASEKERE visited IDS in July and met old friends such as classmate **Hubert SCHMITZ (DPhil79/80)** and **Mick MOORE (DPhil80/81)**. In the early 80s he studied at Harvard and was also Additional Director at the Sri Lanka Institute of Development Administration. In 1990 he became Secretary to the Leader of the House of Parliament in **Sri Lanka**.

Alan LEATHER has been made Assistant General Secretary of Public Services International giving him 'new responsibilities and challenges – including working with some new and reformed unions in Central and Eastern Europe

MP2 (1975-77)

co-directed by the late **Dudley Seers** and **Robin Luckham** recently retired, but currently researching at IDS on 'Can democracy thrive in developing countries?' and due to co-direct **MP17**.

Jethro PETTIT (MP15) has confirmed that **George SCHARFENBURGER** has indeed left the Peace Corps and is executive director of FICAH (Food Industry Crusade Against Hunger), a non-profit foundation in **Washington DC** supporting agricultural projects all over the world and funded by a consortium of US food industries. Meanwhile, **Diane WILDERSPIN** wrote last year 'The most momentous event of 1991 for me was the decision to leave Foreign Affairs to become a Deputy Secretary of the Cabinet. After 20 years, it was a difficult decision, but I have no regrets at all. I am loving my new job, although it is very demanding ... [and] ... visits to foreign parts are now strictly personal!'

MP3 (1977-79)

co-directed by **Manfred Bienefeld** – still at Carleton University – and **Martin Godfrey**, who has left IDS and is now based in **Romania** carrying out commissioned work on labour and employment.

In early 1991, **Richard LUEDDE-NEURATH (DPhil84)** wrote to say that he was working in **Brazil** as an Engagement Manager for McKinsey

As **MP14**, the first round to experience the 'new improved MPhil', depart, (see p 9) the AluMPhil population has grown to just below 270.

and Company, the international management consultants; more recently he has been working back in **Cologne** for a German Finance Company for investments in Developing Countries, with visits to Peru and Brazil. **Sarah BARTLETT**, still a financial reporter for the New York Times has risen to fame in **New York**. Her book, *The Money Machine*, How KKR Manufactured Power and Profits, published in mid 1991, was extensively reviewed and advertised as 'exhaustively researched, explosively written ... that probes the real story behind KKR'.

MP4 (1979-81)

co-directed by **Chris Colclough** and **Gordon White**

After coming across **IDS Alumnews 1**, **Magdalene DAVID** wrote in mid 91 that after the study course **Women, Men and Development (SC3)** in 1984, she returned to **Liberia** before proceeding to the University of Wisconsin-Madison in 1986 to pursue a Phd in Sociology; her fieldwork from 1989 to 1990 on conjugal economic relations

between the Kpelle in a rural village was interrupted by the civil war in Liberia and she returned to the US in 1990; '... fortunately my whole family escaped the country but we have lost everything'. She completed her Phd in July 1991 and took up a position as rural sociologist with the International Council for Research on Agro-Forestry (ICRAF) in **Nairobi** under a Rockefeller Foundation post doctoral Fellowship. 'I would love to hear news of people I knew at IDS ... keep up the good work'. **Bernardo MENDEZ-LUGO** is moving to **Montreal** and working at the Mexican Consulate General. **Fermin ADRIANO** is Executive Director of the Centre for Policy and Development Studies (University of the **Philippines**). Back in July 1991, friends from IDS attended **Caroline ALLISON's** marriage to **Zhu Mbako** (former AFRAS MPhil student); Caroline is OXFAM Deputy Country Representative for **Namibia**.

MP5 (1980-82)

co-directed by **Manfred Bienefeld** and **Robert Wade** (who is currently

teaching at the Sloan School of Management at MIT and moves next academic year to the Institute of Advanced Study at **Princeton**

In October 1991, **Brigitte GRANVILLE (néé DELOY)** had a research job with the Delegation of the European Community to the USSR whilst her husband **Christopher** was posted to **Moscow** with the British Foreign and Commonwealth Office. In October 1990, **Emanuel de Kadt** met **Adnan AMIN** at Mazini Airport (**Swaziland**) where he was en route to **Maputo** with the Regional Director for Africa for UNEP (where Adnan works) to attend a Mozambican national conference on environmental issues.

Amar SIABDELHADI visited IDS in July and gave us the following report: 'Since I left Britain in 1982 I have been living in **Algeria**. I worked in two companies, both of them are state-owned, and I find it hard to apply efficient ideas, so I moved to the teaching field and I am trying to do some research as well. However it is very difficult in Third World countries to publish or to get useful and fresh information. This is making it very difficult for me to be fully efficient. I am working on structural adjustment in Algeria, foreign debt, technology in the Third World and managing the public sector. I have been recently married.'



MP6 (1981-83)

co-directed by **Raphie KAPLINSKY (DPhil80/81)** and **Gordon White**

Akio TAKAHARA (DPhil88) returned from Hong Kong to **Japan** in mid 1991 and is now teaching development at the School of International Studies, Obivin University; he has been made an executive member of the UoS Alumni Association in Japan and would be glad to see any Sussex/IDS members when they visit Tokyo. **Yut-Lin WONG** is currently on study leave from the University of Malaya, at UCLA at Berkeley **California**

MP7 (1982-84)

co-directed by **Kate Young** - still with Womankind - and **David Evans** News only of **Ken INQUE** who has just joined UNTAC (UN-PKO in **Cambodia**)

MP8 (1983-85)

co-directed by **John Oxenham** (now with the EDI, World Bank) and **Charles Harvey**

Congratulations to Koletta Caspar and **Boyd GILMAN** on the birth of their daughter **Emma** on 12 April 1992

Cissy WALLACE, passed through IDS in mid-September 1991 and left this report: 'Cissy Wallace stopped by at IDS on her way from Moscow to nowhere. She was in England to use the telephone and to recuperate from a one-centimetre gash suffered when gallantly charging down a tank during the first days of the coup. Cissy is also recovering from a diet of bread, cabbage and pickled seaweed. Prior to facing down the ex-Prime Minister Pavlov's tanks, Cissy was a consultant in the UN in Vienna writing position papers that went out in Pavlov's name. She was working on 200 All-Union and Republic level development projects for a special UN Secretariat. She then studied Russian while living in Russia and did a consultancy on energy use for the Byelorussian government. She hopes to return to the Soviet Union soon.'

Cissy is now development economist in the Russian/Soviet Division of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development **London**, where she lives in Hampstead but is still obsessed with her cats (in South Carolina).

Cambodia Revisited

Udo Janz (MP8) who left Hong Kong in late 1991 to work — still with UNHCR — as Senior Field Officer in **Cambodia**, first visited Cambodia in 1982 and wrote in January this year:



The prospect of returning to this country ten years later to participate somehow in the political events unfolding proved too much of a temptation, and so I gladly accepted the post to play a vital part in the Cambodian repatriation programme, this time on the receiving end.

The task is massive, and appears to be made even more difficult by a number of real and other minefields, e.g. in the political and social arena. The peace agreement provided the basis for a subsequent Memorandum of Understanding between the Royal Thai Government, the Supreme National Council of Cambodia and UNHCR, and as such a framework for the eventual orderly repatriation of some 350,000 Cambodians who had been confined over the last decade to encampments along the Thai-Cambodian border. Preparations for their return are currently being undertaken by UNHCR, and it is my job to coordinate these in the North-west of Cambodia from a base in the second largest town of the country named Battambang. From there I will most likely spend a major part of my time on the roads covering four provinces, in each of which UNHCR maintains a field presence. Over the past three months I had my office practically in my landcruiser,

equipped with a mobile radio to stay in touch with the office, but otherwise being very much on my own until very recently when the first batch of field staff arrived.

Preparations include the building of six reception centres with a capacity to hold some 12,000 persons, the search for and identification of agricultural land for the returnees, the clearing of the land and all access roads of mines, the setting up of a preventive health care structure in the districts to which people will return, the provision of potable water, the stockpiling of sufficient quantities of food to bring the returnees through the first year or so until they can produce their own food, the procurement of adequate housing material for all returnees, etc. You get an idea of the complexity of the operation from the above list which I presume will keep me busy for some time to come. The trouble is that the timetable for the whole operation is given by the overall agenda for the rehabilitation of Cambodia, including a planned election in April 1993, so that the repatriation is to take place before then. If this is indeed so, it would require the movement of some 10,000 persons per week, every week, for 36 weeks in order to complete the repatriation by end 1992. With the onset of the rainy season in May, I have my doubts as to how long such a planned schedule will work out, as most secondary roads will progressively become inaccessible, but then there are plenty of other factors that might and most probably will turn out quite differently, so flexibility seems to be what is called for.



MP9 (1984-86)

co-directed by **Robin Luckham** and **Mick MOORE** (DPhil80/81)

Catherine MULHOLLAND is still with WHO in **Geneva** and recently visited **Sue FLECK** who is married and living in **Washington**. Congratulations to **Harriet LAMB** and partner **Steve** on the birth of their daughter **Nina** in March. Harriet is in touch with **Beverley Rowe** (née **Harries**) and attended her wedding (see p 16). **Mike HELLER** is a lecturer in the politics of South East Asia at SOAS in **London** where he is in touch with **Adrian FERNANDO**, back from **Nicaragua**, working as a senior economic analyst for an oil company, and married with a 20 month old son.

MP10 (1985-87)

co-directed by **Hubert SCHMITZ** (MPI, DPhil79/80) and current co-chair of Teaching and **Manfred Blenefeld**



In late 1990 **Luc SPYCKERELLE** visited IDS on leave after two years with VSO in **Indonesia**; this assignment ended in August 1991, when he began work as a consultant for the CIDA funded Sulawesi Regional Development Project (SRDP) and wrote as follows: 'SRDP's objectives are twofold:

- (1) to improve the capacity of BAPPEDA [the Development Planning Board] and related sectoral agencies at the provincial and district levels in carrying out rural planning and development in selected Districts in Sulawesi, and;
- (2) to support the implementation of a variety of small scale rural development projects in designated Integrated Area Development (IAD) locations.

The first objective is the more important one, and most of the project resources and input are geared towards institutional development of the BAPPEDA.

One of the planned activities towards achieving the first objective is the creation of a database, and training of BAPPEDA staff in data analysis. Last year SRDP - which was then just entering a second phase, and expanding its activities to the provinces of Central and North Sulawesi - asked me to try to develop a similar database for Central Sulawesi. So over the last year I have been busy with setting up the database, making manuals for data input and data analysis, and training staff from the BAPPEDA in data input and data analysis.

This attempt has apparently been successful - presumably because I could focus my attention almost exclusively on this database development and organise training. SRDP has now asked me to replicate the work I have done in Central Sulawesi in the other project locations. In the period up to the end of this year I will set up the database in two locations, and next year I should do something similar for the other locations.'



William LOCKWOOD-BENET is now Vice President of the Government Development Bank for **Puerto Rico**. As at mid 1991 **Rohan PONNIAH** was still with the South Commission in **Geneva**.

Tom LINES rang from **Brussels** recently to report that he was leaving his current job (of research for the European Parliament) to work for the EC in an advisory post on 'developing the social sectors' in **Russia**: it involves everything to do with training for democratisation in the social field, including work with Trades Unions etc. Over the summer is he undertaking a short-term consultancy for the EC designing a programme to aid civil society under its 1992 technical programmes for **Russia** and **Byelorussia**.

In early 1991, **Grenfell THOMAS** was looking forward to his job with the Caribbean Community (CARICOM) Secretariat in **Guyana** as Environment Officer in the Economics and Industry Division, co-ordinating the Caribbean response to the Environment and Development debate. This summer he has moved to the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) in **Trinidad** on a short-term assignment as Associate Economic Affairs Officer working on international trade and finance. Nearby, in **Nicaragua**, **Arturo GRIGSBY**, who has recently married, is deputy director at NITLAPAN, a research centre attached to the Catholic University in **Managua**.

MP11 (1986-88)

co-directed by **Martin GREELEY** (DPhil85) and **Raphie KAPLINSKY** (DPhil80/81)

A large proportion of this round seem to be based in the British Isles or returning to them: **Ann O'NEILL** having returned from **Botswana** has now formed her own consultancy company in **Dublin** with three others and is working 12 days a month in **Warsaw** on the health sector. She also lectures at University College in **Dublin** and at the Royal College of Surgeons. **Mary DELANEY** has been teaching Spanish at an American High School in **Aberdeen**, after quitting her job in **Washington DC**; congratulations on her forthcoming marriage back in **Washington** in August to **David Burns**, an agricultural economist.

In **London**, **Janet WILLIAMSON** works for Campaign Against Arms

Trade (CAAT); founded in 1972 to try to end Britain's role as a major arms exporter. CAAT played a prominent role as an information source in the Gulf War; also there, **Edmundo de Werna MAGALHAES** is just about to finish his Phd in urban planning at DPU. **Joanna CHATAWAY** has just completed her doctorate through the Open University - where she still works - on biotechnology companies. Shortly returning to the **UK**, **Andrea MICOCCI** is doing a Phd in political philosophy at McGill University **Canada** but will be transferring his registration to **York** from October; he married **Nina** from **Georgia** in **Russia** last year - and their first child is expected soon. Their wedding was attended by **Gerardo BRACHO**, working with the Mexican Embassy in **Moscow**. **Jerker EDSTROM** has been an IDS in-house research assistant over the last year, and also acted as course tutor on the recent Development Statistics short course.

Amanda LORIO - who visited IDS briefly this summer with her daughters whilst visiting her in-laws - is co-ordinating a project on strengthening the self-management capabilities of agricultural wage-workers in **Nicaragua**; she works in a private NGO whose main task is empowerment at grass roots levels.

Antonla BOWRING has been in **Italy** for Women's World Banking. **Aya OKADA** is now project officer in the UNICEF field office in Lucknow, **India** in charge of the child development programme; writing in December 1991 to IDS friends. Aya's news since finishing her MPhil appears below.



Editorial

Your response to Alumnews I was very positive. I hope you like the second bumper edition complete with special Silver Jubilee Supplement and alumni address list.

Many thanks to all those who have kept in touch - we look forward to welcoming you all to the Alumni Reunion next July.

Philippa Sankey

Life since IDS

After I completed the MPhil in 1988, I went back to Japan, where I stayed almost a year with my parents. Between January and October 1989, I worked for UNCRD (The United Nations Centre for Regional Development), which is located in Nagoya, Japan (luckily, close to my home town), as a research fellow. I worked on issues related to local social development planning with special emphasis on community development. My work there was quite interesting, combining both theoretical studies and more practical activities such as the planning and implementation of projects. For example, I was involved in a training project on local social development planning in May/June 1989, which was carried out in Magulindanao province in the Philippines.

In November 1989, I came to New York to join UNICEF as a IPO funded by the Japanese government. I was assigned to a post of Assistant Planning Officer in the Planning Office (which is now recognised and called the Planning and Co-ordination Office) of UNICEF Headquarters. I have mainly been involved in the work concerning the design and development of a global monitoring system to measure

Aya Okada (MP11) working with UNICEF in New York since 1989, wrote as follows at the end of 1991, before moving to the UNICEF field office at Lucknow, India in March 1992.



progress at the country, regional and global levels towards the achievement of the goals for children in the 1990s, which was originally set by UNICEF and endorsed at the World Summit for Children held in September 1990. It has been a time-consuming and difficult task, given the lack of consensus on indicators for measurement, the lack of reliable data at various levels, and the lack of clear ideas within the Headquarters, at least at the beginning, about how we should go about it. But, through the work in the Headquarters, I have learned a lot, such as the overview of how the international organisation operates at the global level in terms of mandates to be met at different layers of the organisation, organisational structures, and various activities undertaken by both the Headquarters and field offices (UNICEF has more than 110 field offices around the world). It was also an interesting experience to participate in the preparation process of the World Summit for Children throughout the summer of 1990.

During my assignment here, I also had a chance to travel to Latin America (Bogota in **Colombia** - where I met **Ricardo TORRES** - in October 1990, to attend UNICEF meetings) and Africa (Takoradi in **Ghana** in February 1991 - soon after the Gulf War broke out - to participate in UNICEF staff training), both as the first experience in my life! I enjoyed

both trips very much. In Bogota, I was completely attracted by 'Latin culture', including music and dancing! In Takoradi, besides the workshop I attended, I enjoyed some shopping at an open market located at the centre of the city, which was so lively with hundreds of local people.

Also, I think that I have taken full advantage of living in this exciting city of New York in the last two years, enjoying concerts, operas, museums, etc. It is amazing how many different characters this city has in its different sections, such as busy business areas like Wall Street, sophisticated 'upper class' areas, and their contrasting enormous poverty with a countless number of the homeless, drug problems and crimes around the city.

New York seems to be a place where people from all over the world come to visit. I have had a great number of guests and visitors throughout my stay here including my parents and brother, and I had a very nice reunion with many of my old friends (including **Darlene TYMO**, now in **Djibouti**).

Recently, I learned that I will be appointed to the post of project officer, as a proper staff member of UNICEF, in its field office located in **Lucknow**, the state capital of Uttar Pradesh in India. I will be in charge of the child development programme called ICDS (Integrated Child Development Services). This is going to be my first field assignment. So, I am now quite excited about it. I travelled to India back in March 1988, to attend an international conference and visit various women-related projects around the country. I am looking forward to returning to this interesting country with the huge population (e.g. Uttar Pradesh itself has the population of 100 million in the State!! - almost close to the entire Japanese population of 120 million), with rich culture and the complexity surrounding poverty. More importantly, I am looking forward to working in the place close to the reality and close to the very people who need assistance ■



MP12 (1987-89)

co-directed by **Stephany Griffith-Jones** and **John HUMPHREY (DPhil77)**

Machiko and **Tomu HOZUMI** were still with UNICEF in **Bhutan** as of mid 1991. In March this year **Monica von KOSCHITZKY** moved to **Guatemala** as Programme Officer for the UNU. This summer, **Vivien LOWNDES** moves from Essex University to the Institute of Local Government Studies at Birmingham. 'Work is going very well, but it's easy to let the Phd get left on the back-burner as interesting opportunities come up ... At the same time, **Ricardo LAGOS**, previously with ILO/WEP, moves to Cambridge University (Department of Economics) to start his Phd. **Thomas GRAMMIG** wrote in early 1991 that he was working on his doctorate at the Ecole des Hautes Etudes en Sciences Sociales in **Paris** - they are the only ones on the continent accepting a truly interdisciplinary research design and calling it as such'. Before that he spent a year in the development consulting business in Germany and another year in the US - studying it seemed to be the only way out of it'. Thomas was hoping to start with case studies on a project from USAID, ITDG, GTZ and Medicus Mundi last autumn. **Vassilis PAPAGEORGIU** continues with his doctorate at **Sussex** on 'Restructuring in the EC telecommunications equipment industry and the impact of trade'. **Cathy HURST** is working as an economics officer on Guinea for the US State Department.

MP13 (1988-90)

co-directed by **Charles Harvey** and **Gordon White**

Starting with **Central America**, **Betty MUNOZ** is research director at CIDCA, an NGO based in Managua, whose work focuses on the Atlantic Coast of **Nicaragua**.

also in Managua is **Julio Ricardo HERNANDEZ**, working with the International Immigration Centre's local office. Nearby, **Eduardo RAMOS-AVALOS** (see opposite) is working for the Free Trade Agreement Office in the Ministry of Finance in **Mexico**, working on US-Mexico trade negotiations, and travelling to the US where he meets **Liz CARTY** who has been a policy analyst with the Rate Setting Commission in Massachusetts but is currently job hunting. As well as **Eduardo** she is in touch with **Betty, Jens, Zav** (see South Africa article on p 3) also for news of **Moses** and **Ranjani KRISHNAMURTHY** - congratulations on her recent marriage - who is working with **Ramya SUBRAMANIAN (MA4)** in **Madras** (see p 5); **Ranjani** worked initially with the NGO MYRADA, her former employer, and also carried out consultancies for GTZ, evaluating NGOs. **Satjayit SINGH** was originally at CSE and then returned to his old college at **Delhi** University (Jesus

and Mary College) to teach Political Theory.

Ana Paola TEIXEIRA wrote in mid 1991 to say 'The IDS Alumnews is wonderful! I can't wait to receive the next issue' and to give news of IDS Alumni, **Geneva**. **Andres MARINAKIS (MP12)** is working for the International Institute for Labour Studies at the ILO. **Ana-Paola**, herself, is Associate Economic Affairs Officer, Technology Programme, UNCTAD, working on the same floor as **Taffere TESFACHEW (DPhil90)** where IDS nostalgia rules the coffee break. Message to **MP13** and IDS friends 'Don't we miss the bucolic campus, the relaxed atmosphere, the paradigmatic debates, the great parties, the heated discussions, the singing Girl from Ipanema, the contact with other cultures, the friends ... Beautiful two years ...' A little further south **Francoise TRINE** has been working with FAO in **Rome** on Early Warning Systems.



Last heard of, **George ZELLER** was en route to **Zaire** with wife **Lynn** with the Peace Corps; they were subsequently evacuated and now run a 'half-way house' for 'delinquent' girls in **North Carolina**. **Miguel NEVES** is rumoured to be Portuguese attaché to the EC in **Brussels**. **Jens BRUGGEMAN** is still in **Costa Rica** and **Birdie KNIGHTLEY** is still with WUS in **London**.

Finally, in the well-known IDS tradition of 'poacher turned game-keeper' **Robin MEARNS** co-directs **MP16** which starts this autumn.



As reported in IDS Alumnews 1, **Hisaaki MITSUI** married **Renata** in September in **Warsaw** and **Tomaszow** (Renata's home-town). We did both Catholic and non-religious ceremonies. The international marriage is something epoch-making in a small Polish town like Tomaszow, so our marriage was even reported in the local newspaper, the following day. Following the birth of a daughter **Maya** in July 1991, Hisaaki writes 'she is being reared by the Japanese father and the Polish mother, so she will be structurally well-adjusted. I hope!' In September last year Hisaaki was working on Vietnamese industrial reform and planning to visit Vietnam the following month: 'Study in IDS greatly helps me do this work' A picture of the happy family in late 1991 appears left.

Luckily, in late November, after six weeks of looking for a job I was offered a position, which I accepted, in the Office for the Negotiation of the Free Trade Agreement within the Ministry of Commerce and Industrial Development. As you may know, Mexico, Canada and the United States have just started negotiating a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) to create a free trade area in North America. (Yes, you're right, the neoliberal 'paradigm' - IDS **Pantomime 1988** - is here too.)

Well, I'm suppose to be Director for Political Information and Analysis of the Office for the Negotiation of the Free Trade Agreement. My main responsibilities include the analysis of the non-trade issues that have emerged in the context of the negotiations of the FTA. Two of them are particularly important: environmental standards and labour conditions differentials between Mexico, on the one hand, and the United States and Canada, on the other.

Various labour, environmental and consumer advocacy organisations in the US and Canada oppose the FTA. They argue the Mexican environmental and labour standards are lower than those existing in the US and Canada, and that this situation will lead to the relocation of some firms in Mexico due to lower costs, with the consequent job losses in the US and Canada. One of my tasks is to identify which

Negotiating a Free Trade Agreement

Some eight months after returning home to Mexico, **Eduardo Ramos-Avalos (MP13)** wrote to his classmates as follows in June 1991.



interests these organisations are representing and to elaborate counter-arguments to their critiques. This is not always an easy task. At the same time, I should identify the potential allies and analyse how they counterbalance the actions and arguments of the critics to the FTA. I've been learning a lot about the politics of trade policy. Now it is very clear to me that trade policy is much more than a pure economic or technical issue.

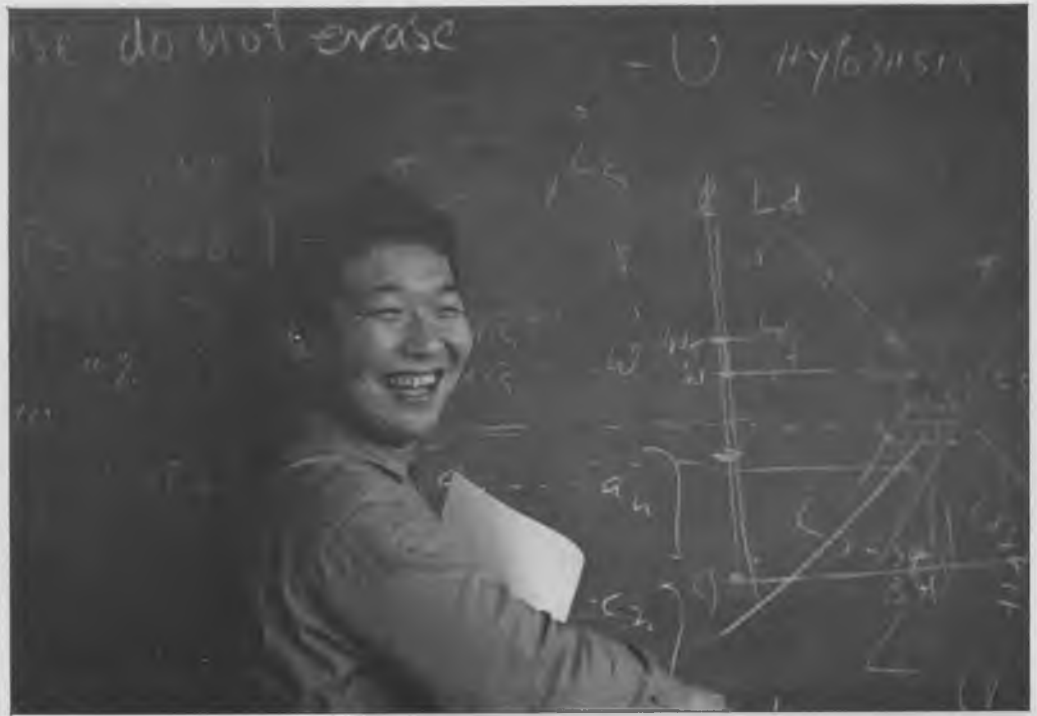
Now that the negotiations have started, I'm involved in the analysis of the US and Canadian sectors that are interested in the elimination of import permits in Mexico. Furthermore, as my direct boss is the Mexican negotiator for the steel, and textiles and apparel sectors, I'm also involved in the analysis of these sectors, particularly the latter, in the US and Canada. In fact, I'm taking part in the negotiation meetings of the textiles group, but only as an observer. It has been very interesting to realise how the decisions are made and all interests that are involved in the negotiations.

I have met all sorts of people from Mexico, the US and Canada: journalists, researchers, professors, government officials, students, consultants, etc. At the same time I have had the opportunity to travel to Canada and to the US. The FTA is the most important project of the present administration in Mexico. It will have not only

economic but political consequences. I really hope that we can get the best of it for my country. That's going to be hard. The US is a tough negotiator, as we know.

I know that in some of your countries reality is harsher than in Mexico. In Mexico, there has been some progress in terms of the situation of the economy, the democratisation of the political system and the well-being of the population. There is still a large gap to fill. However, I'm optimistic about the future. I know that for some of you it is hard to be optimistic. And this isn't difficult to understand. I just have to read the papers or listen to the news to realise why that's the case. In any case, I hope that you found useful the IDS experience - both the personal and academic - for the fight in which each one of you is involved, whatever this is.

It's amazing how time passes. I still have very vivid memories of my experience at



the IDS... The experience at the IDS was very important for me. And I suppose that's why I felt like writing this letter to all of you. ■

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MP14 (1990-92)

co-directed by **Charles Harvey** and **Gordon White**

Hiro HATASHIMA from the first round since the MPhil was revised, writes as he departs: **MP14** might have had a special experience compared with previous MPhils: we are supposed to be in the 'new-improved' MPhil programme. There were no MPhils around when we got to IDS in October 1990 and some alumni might wonder how things have been changed in IDS, especially when they see many MPhils wandering the library with portable computers. Are MPhils 'international elites' now? We cannot compare MPhils 'then and now'. The only thing I can say now is that 'we are having a good time' both academically and socially. Academically, we are in a very stimulating place. We always find interesting discussion and debate in the classroom. It is not rare to find ourselves in an over-time lecture. We are sure that aspect has not changed from the 'old' MPhil. Socially, the MPhil life is unbeatable. **MP14** might have won a reputation of 'MPhil in Development Performance'. In the IDS Panto, we danced and sang our original verses. We made international friends, and we are sure these are long-lasting relationships. The MPhil experience is full of intellectual and social wealth, and surely no alternatives in the world. Of course we had a hard time. All of us shared some sleepless nights before presentations, heavy loading of readings and economics and statistics homework. However, the joy of 'being here' marked our life in IDS. Despite different appearances, I think the most important aspect of MPhil life seems to be unchanged between 'then and now'.

Fellow-countryman **Kazuhiro YOSHIDA** expects to return initially to the Engineering Consulting Firms Association in **Japan** as a development consultant before moving to an aid-related agency.

Carlos TALAVERA-WILLIAMS hopes to be working on the environmental and equity issues of small and co-operative melon producers in southern **Honduras** - as

part of a broader plan to establish the Honduran Institute for Development Technology.

Julie LAWSON is joining ODA's APO Scheme in Social Development for three years: this involves further postgraduate training in an area which meets ODA's manpower needs.

Starting in the UK **Alan MIDDLETON (DPhil88/89)** in mid 1991 was (DPhil88/89) in mid 1991 was Associate Dean (Research) in the Faculty of the Built Environment at the Birmingham Polytechnic

Sumit ROY (DPhil81) - who still lives in Brighton - is currently collaborating with **Hans Singer** on



DPHILnews

Another 15 names swell the ranks — with many more completions imminent — and bring the roll call to 137.

a book on development and teaching at the LSE and the City University in London, he has published a book on agriculture: *Agriculture and Technology in Developing Countries: India and Nigeria* (Sage Publications, Delhi, Newbury Park, London, 1990).

Mammo MUCHIE (MP4/DPhil87) is married with two children aged four and two and head of the BSc (Hons) Science, Technology and Society programme at Middlesex University **Rok AJULU (DPhil91)** is teaching at **Leeds University**

Across the Channel, **Ludovico ALCORTA (MP6/DPhil91)** - yes, Ludovico **did** get his doctorate in 1991 - is now with the Institute of New Technologies (Director: **Charles**

Cooper) at the UNU in Maastricht **Netherlands**

Moving south, **Mohammed DIAB (MP5/DPhil89)** is with the East Africa Section of the World Food Programme in **Rome** where his wife **Fatima** has just had another baby boy, a brother for **Sadal** and **Sarmad**. **Housalnou TAAL (DPhil91)** is working for UNICEF at the International Child Development Centre in **Florence, Italy**, where he has been working on decentralisation and community participation in the delivery of basic services and he is now working on fiscal policy and the poor.

Antigone LYBERAKI (MP7/DPhil88) writing in January, says that she is a very proud mother (of **Karl**, 14 months) and a hard-working one too: her thesis has been published and two more books were due for publication last Spring: she presented a paper at a conference in June last year (to be a chapter in a further book). She is still teaching in **Crete** (flying there each week) but starts a new teaching post at Pantion University in **Athens** this October in the Department of Urban and Regional Development as an assistant professor (the youngest

and the only woman in the department). She still misses Brighton

To the East **Sepali KOTTEGODA (MP7/DPhil91)** back in **Sri Lanka** spent the first half of 1992 as visiting lecturer to the Women's Studies programme at the University of Michigan at **Ann Arbor Upananda VIDANAPATHIRANA (MP4/DPhil85)** Deputy Director of Economic Research at the Central Bank of Sri Lanka, wrote to commend us on the fascinating idea of linking Sussex "products" with the "base" through **IDSALUMNEWS** undoubtedly a great contribution to the Sussex family which has spread all over the world.

Friends of **Moazam MAHMOOD (MP5/DPhil88)** and **Norine** will be delighted to know that they have a baby girl born in April - **Hassan HAKIMIAN (MP3/DPhil87)** recently met Moazam in **Islamabad** and brings back their greetings from Pakistan.

Finally, also at the World Resources Institute is **Lori Ann THRUPP (MP6/DPhil89)** who completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the University of California (Berkeley) during 1988-90 and is now Director of Sustainable Agriculture at the Center for International Development and Environment, at the WRI. Also settling down in Washington is **Jim TARRANT (DPhil90)** married to **Cynthia** (an environmental consultant) with a baby son, **Kevin**.



Mahmoud SHABANDAR (DPhil89) was in touch recently with news of work and family: he is now based in **Limassol, Cyprus**, running his own offshore consultancy firm, Quamar Consultants Ltd, which tackles anything in the urban, regional and physical planning fields as well as property development and development planning consultancies. He is also a consultant for the World Resources Institute in **Washington DC**, a multidisciplinary organisation for which he undertakes consultancies on the ecological impact and development and environmental assessments. He is gradually renewing contacts throughout the region: **Lebanon**, **Yemen** and the **UAE**. His wife **Soumaya** carries out her literary translation work from his office and their children **Moussa (4)** and **Kamar (1½)** keep both parents fully occupied. Mahmoud would be delighted to see any former colleagues and IDS members passing through the area; you can contact him by phone on 5 377339 and fax 5 369336.



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1991			
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Ludovico Alcorta	Peru	Priya Deshingkar	India
Sepali Kottegoda (MP7)	Sri Lanka	Toufic Gaspard	Lebanon
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		Richard Moorehead	UK
		Annie Posthuma	USA
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The Brighton Bypass and Basic Needs

Richard Longhurst (DPhil80)
and Visiting Fellow at IDS on two occasions thereafter

By writing this piece on the opening day of the Falmer-Patcham link of the Brighton bypass, I have at least a cast iron excuse to give to Philippa for not writing for AlumNews until the very end of June, just as she was sending it to the printers. The bypass, which chops off a great deal of Stanmer Park, enabled me to get home about 10 minutes earlier than I normally do, a benefit quantitatively valued by the transport economists who do the feasibility studies on these things. (Transport economists just outnumber agricultural economists in job advertisements in the Economist as any out-of-work agricultural economist will tell you). As a result I was able to get some of this written, instead of being stuck in Coldean Lane behind a slow moving lorry from Valencia, just off the Newhaven ferry.

Also, I suppose, the bypass has provided me a theme of sorts. The bypass goes through a deep cutting that only a few years ago was filled with soil, roots and, before the hurricane of October 1987, trees. Over a hundred feet above my car, Michael Lipton and I would, in the mid-70s, run through that corner of the park talking about basic needs, the ILO missions, what Dudley Seers said about this, what Ron Dore said about that. So, I conclude, things do change after all: there is this monstrous concrete through Stanmer Park, Dudley is no more with us, Ron is somewhere in the US and basic needs was scuppered by the oil crisis and cuts in aid flows.

But today are we not we talking about the importance of human resource department, 'safety nets', and social security



in developing countries? Certainly 'household food security' has stood the test of time for several years. Are these so different from poverty-focused planning, basic needs, even redistribution with growth? Perhaps what this tells us is that there is not much new under the sun, but also, for an institution like IDS, good research properly carried out and well communicated, will endure, some of it to become relevant perhaps 20 years on and thereafter in cycles.

At the moment there is a lot of talk about the death of centrally planned economies and the role of privatisation. Who will lay bets that 20 years from now the free-market pendulum will have swung too far and many countries will look to some form of socialism again? Perhaps in the year 2012 the broad band of tarmac on the edge of Stanmer Park will be converted into public transport passages and grassed-over walking and cycle tracks. Then Michael, I and others will truly be able to talk about good old days of running in Stanmer Park, basic needs and look to the next 20 year cycle of ideas.

New Fellows

As the list right shows, in recent months we have welcomed a number of new faces amongst the IDS Fellowship (and one 'old' face!). Catherine Conn has joined us from Save the Children Fund where she worked on a range of healthcare and related activities and latterly as Field Director in The Gambia from 1989 to 1992.



Her special interests include district health systems, processes towards management change and the relationship between health services and health status. Vandana Desai is a sociologist with special interests in community participation, urban problems and slum housing; most of her research has been in India.





Georgia Kaufmann is a social anthropologist and micro-demographer who has worked on the demography of nuptiality and mortality in Sub-Saharan Africa, and more recently, the effect of poverty on family formation and female status in a Brazilian slum; she is currently researching the survival strategies of the elderly amongst the urban poor in Brazil. **Mark Robinson** was a Research Fellow at ODI, and is a rural/political sociologist with special interests

in democratisation and governance issues, the politics of public policy management and institutional reform, and official and NGO approaches to poverty alleviation. Finally **Chris Stevens** has recently returned to IDS - after an absence of eight years, during which he has been working particularly on the international dimension of food security and the impact of EC policy. Chris will co-direct **MP17** in 1993.



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Blas TOMIC (MPI /DPhil78) has just become Chile's Director to the IADB in **Washington**.

Donnacadh HURLEY (MP9) writes to tell us of his forthcoming marriage to **Maja** in **Switzerland** on 14 August: Donnacadh – on leave of absence from Trocaire – and Maja will be in Switzerland for a year: Vaugueny 6, 1066 Epalinges, Vaud, Switzerland.

Of the departing **MPI4s**, **Kim TRES** returns to UNCTAD, **Geneva**, for a spell where he joins TrainForTrade; **Nicolas GEORGIADIS** goes to **Brussels** to join the European Commission as a 'stagiaire' in DGVIII, working initially on customs unions in the franc zone countries of West Africa; and **Fazel ISMAIL** returns to **South Africa** to join The Industrial Strategy project (see p 3), working on the footwear industry.

Muhammad ISHTEYYEH (DPhil90) was Director of the Palestinian delegation to the Middle East Peace Talks in both **Madrid** and **Washington** and is now Dean of Students at Birzeit University on the **West Bank**.



Finally, those who know **Beverley Rowe** (nee **Harries**) will be delighted to hear of her recent marriage to **Tony**; their wedding was attended by many IDS friends including **Harriet LAMB (MP9)** and **Gowrie Ponniah**.

