



New deputy directors: *Dr Andrew Orton* and *Dr Sui-Ting Kong* took on the role of deputy directors, supporting the continuing co-directors, Prof Sarah Banks and Dr Andrew Russell. The steering committee continues to be chaired by external member, Sue Shaw.

Conferences and meetings: Centre directors and others attended many events where they presented and discussed the work of the centre, including *Andrew Orton* presenting at the International Sociological Association on 'Forming Social Movements in Nonviolent Christian Social Action on Poverty: Engaging with power and justice through relationships across diversity and scale', and *Sarah Banks* facilitating work on ethics in participatory research at the International Institute for Qualitative Methodology and International Collaboration on Participatory Health Research meetings at the University of Alberta, Canada.

Participatory Action Research Postgraduate Forum: *Andrew Russell*, along with *Wang Yi* and *Wendy Gill*, Sociology postgraduate researchers attached to CSJCA, have reinvigorated the termly Postgraduate Forum, supported by the Centre for Academic and Researcher Development.

Visitors: Guests to the Centre in 2018 included *Pradeep Narayanan*, Director of Research and Capacity Building at Praxis Institute for Participatory Practices, New Delhi, India (<http://www.praxisindia.org/>). He gave a seminar titled 'Ethics is Politics, jointly hosted by the CSJCA and the Centre for Medical Humanities and subsequently wrote a blog on this theme. We also welcomed *Prof Jude Robinson* and *Dr Rachel Packham* from the University of Liverpool to discuss the use of participatory methods and social justice issues in healthcare ethics.

Training events, seminars and workshops in Durham

- 23rd January, 2018, "*In conversation with Pradeep Narayanan...*"
- 1st May, 2018, *Developing Policy and Practice through Participatory Research*, facilitated by Andrew Orton
- 2nd- 3rd July, 2018, *Participatory action research: theories, methods and challenges*, two-day course for doctoral students and community organisations in collaboration with the UK Participatory Research Network and the support of the Northern Ireland and NE Doctoral Training Programme. Facilitated by Sarah Banks (Durham University), Mary Brydon-Miller (University of Louisville, USA), Tina Cook (Liverpool Hope University), Yvonne Hall (community researcher), Kristin Kalsem (University of Cincinnati, USA)
- 24th and 26th October, 2018, *Seminar and workshop on Photovoice*, Jen Thompson.
- 16th November, 2018, *Extending Voice and Autonomy through Participatory Action Research: Ethical and Practical Issues*, one-day conference, St Mary's College, Durham
- 4th December, 2018, *Escaping Crisis. A Sociological study of the female migrant domestic worker and her family living conditions and responses in an affluent area of the Southeast coast of Attika, 2015-2019*, A seminar by Professor Iordanis Psimmenos, Research Team /Centre of Social Morphology and of Social Policy, Dept of Social Policy, Panteion University, Institute of Labour - General Federation of Greek Workers (INE-GSEE).

Selection of current research projects

- **Youth engagement and skills acquisition within Africa's transport sector; promoting a gender agenda towards transition into meaningful work** (Dec 2018 – Mar 2021), Gina Porter (PI) and Emma Murphy (CoI) successfully received funding (£858,936) for a new ESRC GCRF project which has a major participatory component, including work with community peer researchers and action research with the NGO Transaid in Tunis, Abuja and Cape Town.
- **An arts-based approach for co-producing knowledge with women about their resistance against coercive control**, Sui-Ting Kong received a small grant from Durham University's Seedcorn Research Funds for a pilot project.
- **Top-down meets bottom up: negotiating the ethics in participatory action research (PAR) for health and well-being**, a £10,251 grant by the Wolfson Research Institute for Health and Wellbeing was awarded to Sarah Banks, Sui-Ting Kong, Andrew Orton and Andrew Russell for a pilot project.
- **Network for the development of participatory methods to investigate current and alternative livelihoods with bidi workers in South India**, Andrew Russell as CoI (with Dr Sushil John, Christian Medical College Vellore, India as PI) co-ordinated a successful bid for an Academy of Medical Sciences Global Challenges Research Fund Networking Grant (£24,945).
- **Exploring the interplays of the foreign organization and the local agenda in community development, a case study of a Chinese organization's practice in Mathare, an informal settlement in Nairobi, Kenya**, Wang Yi, a Sociology PhD student, is undertaking fieldwork involving participatory research in Nairobi.
- **Do traditional youth work organisations hold the key to sustainability for 21st century youth provision? Lessons from The Guide Association**, Wendy Gill, Sociology PhD, will be undertaking participatory research with young women involved in Girlguiding in NE England.
- **Impact funding**: Gina Porter received funding for two impact projects, 1) ESRC GCRF impact acceleration fund (£21,526): Piloting guidelines for responsible phone use with pupils and teachers in Malawian schools, Dec 2018-Mar 2019; 2) Durham University Research Impact Fund (£13,800), piloting guidelines for responsible phone use with pupils and teachers in Ghanaian schools, Jan- Dec 2018.

Selection of publications

- Banks, S. and Brydon-Miller, M. (eds) (2019) *Ethics in participatory research for health and social well-being: Cases and commentaries*, Abingdon, Routledge, published July 2018.
- Banks, S., Hart, A., Pahl, K. and Ward, P. (eds) (2019) *Co-producing research: a community development approach*, Bristol: Policy Press, published December 2018.
- Ho, P.S.Y., Kong, S-T. & Huang, Y-T. (2018) Democratising qualitative research methods: Reflections on Hong Kong, Taiwan and China. *Qualitative Social Work* 17(3): 469-481.
- Porter, G., Hampshire, K., Abane, A., Munthali, A., Robson, E., Tanle, A., Owusu, S., de Lannoy, A., Bango, A. (2018) Connecting with home, keeping in touch: Physical and virtual mobility across stretched families in sub-Saharan Africa, *Africa*, 88(2), 404-24.
- Porter, G., Hampshire, K., de Lannoy, A., Gunguluza, N., Mashiri, M., Bango, A. (2018) Exploring the intersection between physical and virtual mobilities in urban South Africa: reflections from two youth-centred studies. In T.P. Uteng and K. Lucas (eds), *Urban mobilities in the Global South*, London: Routledge, pp. 59-75.
- Russell, A. (2018) "Imagine a World Without Tobacco". Utopian visions and collaborative research in public health', in Ruy Blanes and Maité Maskens (eds) *Utopian Encounters: Anthropologies of Empirical Utopias*, (Ralahine Utopian Studies Series, Volume 20), Oxford: Peter Lang, pp. 57-90.
- Russell, A. (2018) Can the Plant Speak? Giving tobacco the voice it deserves. *Journal of Material Culture*, special issue (A. Russell and T. Widger, eds), 23(4): 472-487.