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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



It has been a great pleasure to lead the inspiring and extraordinarily skillful CFGS team during the last academic year. When I look back at the past 12 months, I realize with a great degree of gratitude the exceptional expertise, dedication, and passion that our researchers and staff have brought to the Centre that made it such a stimulating place to work on campus. The range of activities documented in this report provide a sense of how CFGS is promoting multi-disciplinary research on pressing issues and pushing the limits of engaged scholarship.

In this latter respect, this past year saw a concerted effort to explore innovative ways of making our research relevant to many stakeholders and to engage these communities in an effective way. For instance, POLIS and the EU-Canada Network (EUCAnet) both organized a series of webinars that allowed diverse audiences from around the world to participate in online scholarly debates. Similarly, as part of our one-week event on the *Future of Democracy* proceedings, we live-streamed a public event at a state-of-the-art studio in Victoria and invited stakeholders from the university, media, and government for additional

discussions on how we can stimulate fruitful public and policy debates across traditional sectoral silos. The pronounced media engagement of CFGS researchers and the impact of our projects (POLIS, EUCAnet and BIG most prominently) in various policy communities indicate our success in expanding the Centre's impact through critical dialogue, community engagement, and targeted policy expertise such as POLIS' direct effect on the *Fisheries Act* and the *Canada Water Act*.

The 2018/2019 academic year also allowed CFGS to expand its capacity and networks. In the fall, Stephanie Gruhlke joined the Centre as the Events & Administrative Assistant supporting our fabulous staff with her energy and enthusiasm. Furthermore, Elena Pnevmonidou from the Department of Germanic and Slavic Studies took over as the director of the European Studies Program at UVic providing the program with new leadership.

In addition, a multidisciplinary group of researchers brought their Cedar Trees Initiative (CTI) to CFGS, striving to establish an Institute for research, community engagement, and critical dialogue on eco-social justice. CTI is poised to bring local knowledge and an international scholarly network to CFGS with a particular focus on democratic governance and indigenous knowledge. With all these changes, innovative initiatives, and a new cohort of fellows coming in September, CFGS looks forward to an exciting and engaging new academic year.

Oliver Schmidtke,
Executive Director,
Centre for Global Studies



The Globe in Perspective

The Centre for Global Studies (CFGS), founded in 1998, fosters research, reflection, and action on complex issues of local, national, and global importance. Located at the University of Victoria, CFGS is a collaborative community of scholars and leaders that is uniquely positioned to bridge academic research and student mentoring with innovative knowledge mobilization and effective community engagement.

As a truly interdisciplinary research Centre exploring global and Indigenous perspectives, CFGS fosters exploration, discussion, and collaboration in new and unexpected ways. CFGS is an international community, purposefully designed to foster exchanges that lead to collaboration and innovation.

"CFGS provided a wonderful space to reflect deeply on my various projects. The breadth and generosity of the community enriched my reflections. The immediate gains are obvious but the long-term impact of sustained thought and collaboration are the greatest benefits that I take away with me from this experience."

CYNTHIA MILTON, 2018-2019 CFGS VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW
PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND CANADA RESEARCH CHAIR
ON LATIN AMERICAN HISTORY AT THE UNIVERSITÉ DE MONTRÉAL
2019 PIERRE ELLIOT TRUDEAU FELLOW

CFGS research considers the nexus of the local and global—how local concerns have global effects and how global issues manifest at the local level. Fellows and researchers are exploring issues vital to people, places, policy, and the planet and are making an impact around the world. Research foci include:

- Borders and migration in the 21st century
- Environmental and social policy, and ecological governance with a strong emphasis on water
- Indigeneity and reconciliation from global and local perspectives
- Social justice and participatory democracy
- Governance as an integrated process at and across scales

CFGS PROJECTS

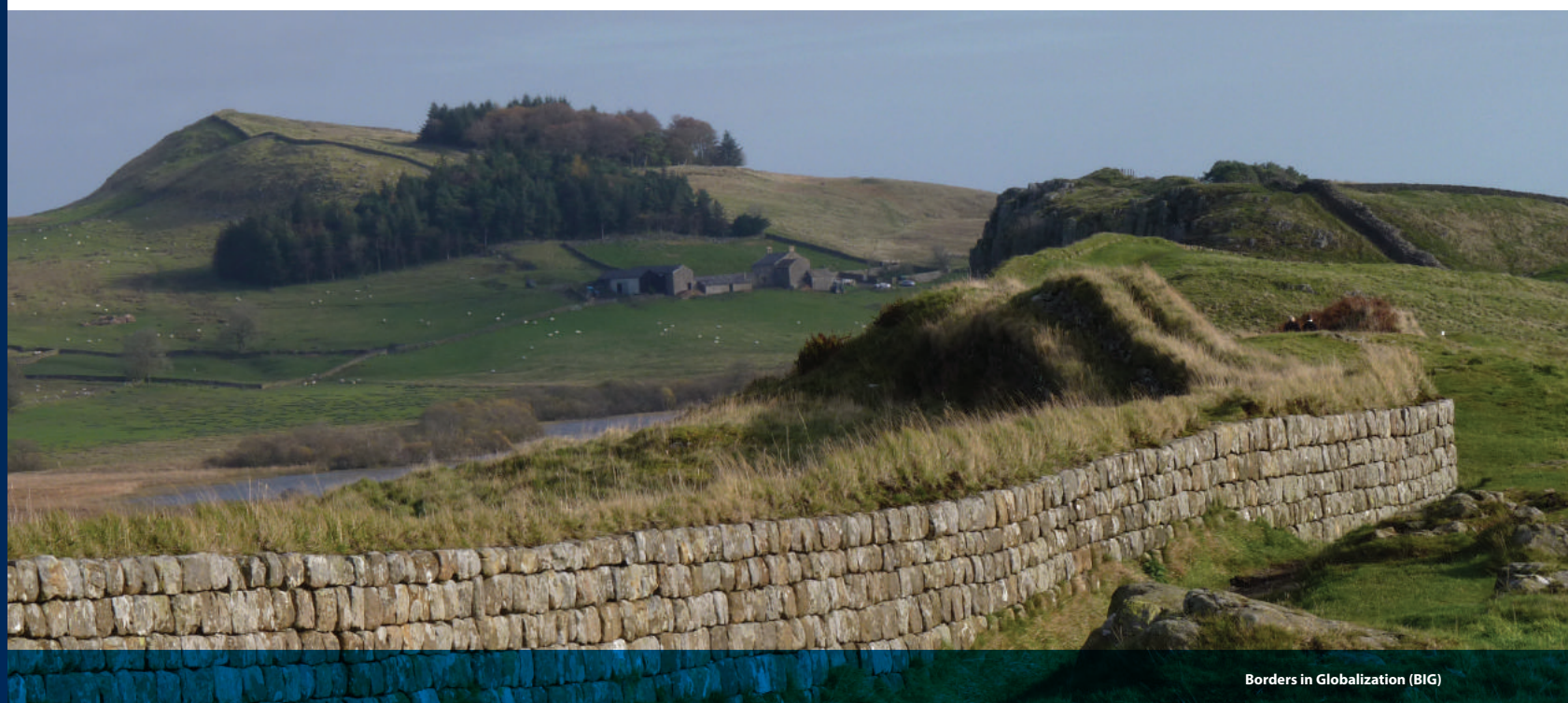
CFGS collaborates on projects across faculties and departments at UVic as well as with communities, practitioners, partners, and universities around the globe. These projects reflect the core themes of CFGS and bring together diverse groups of people to communicate research through events, publications, and collaborative networks. CFGS makes boundary-pushing research accessible to policy makers, researchers, and the wider community.

These long-term core projects are housed in CFGS' halls. The faculty and staff involved in these projects occupy the offices at CFGS and they are part of the day-to-day activities at the Centre.

Borders in Globalization (BIG)

Borders in Globalization (BIG) is an international partnership of academics from Canada, the US, Europe, Latin America, Asia, and the Middle East working to better understand how borders are conceptualized and how they function around the world. BIG scholars work with diverse stakeholders from the public and private sectors in order to leverage the research for policy making. BIG is in the final year of a seven-year Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC) Partnership grant; BIG's activities are also supported by a Jean Monnet Network Grant which specifically studies migration, border, and security policies across Canada and Europe in the wake of the 2015 migration crisis and contrasts these with Japan.

During this review period, BIG co-hosted several international workshops and conferences around the world, as well as several activities at UVic. Internationally, BIG co-hosted a Young Scholars Forum at the South Asian University in New Delhi, India, which focused on convening young scholars and growing the field of border studies in India. BIG also hosted its final international conference in San Diego, USA, which was held in conjunction with the Association of Borderlands Studies Annual Conference. At UVic, BIG hosted a workshop in November exploring Canada's border and migration policies and also had a regular seminar series that convened twice a month to move the field of border



Borders in Globalization (BIG)

studies forward by, among other things, exploring theoretical conceptual thinking on borders, and understanding practical issues addressed by policy makers.

BIG Post-Doctoral Fellow and former CFGS Graduate Fellow, Michael Carpenter, worked with BIG Director Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly to launch a new open-access online journal, the *Borders in Globalization Review*, which is interested in advancing high-quality and original works in the Arts, Humanities,

and Social Sciences that explore various aspects of borders in an increasingly globalized world.

As BIG draws to a close, the research program is focused on a publication series with the University of Ottawa Press; publishing special journal issues that feature work on their regions or themes; consulting with Partners from outside academia on lessons learned during the program; and working with partners, old and new, on the next Partnership Grant application to SSHRC in 2020.

Canada - EU Dialogue (EUCAnet)

The Europe Canada Network (EUCAnet) is a hub for experts primarily located in Canada that work on European and Canadian current issues from a transatlantic perspective. EUCAnet is a public outreach platform that makes scholarly knowledge available and meaningful to the public in times when the need for evidence based knowledge and public debate is crucial. The goal is to foster a Canada-Europe Transatlantic Dialogue with the aim of supporting the process of informing public policy making.

During the past year, EUCAnet housed - beyond Canada Europe Dialogue on Democracy project (CEDoD), which will be discussed in the Cedar Tree Initiative section- two other outreach projects: the Canada Europe Dialogue on Migration (CEDoM); and the Communication and Media Strategies for EU experts in Canada (MSEUCA). These projects are co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union.

In addition to launching a new webinar series, MSEUCA hosted a two day event titled, “Public Debates in Turbulent Times” that included a livestream event and Uvic round-tables. The first day of the event put the relationship between the scholarly world and media into a broader social and political context. During a live-streamed public event at a state-of-the-art studio in Victoria, some high profile experts from Canada and Europe discussed the changing world of communication and mass media, the challenges that expert knowledge faces with the proliferation of ‘fake



news', and the ability of university experts to contribute to public debates in a meaningful and effective way. The starting point of the discussion was the assumption that access to and critical debate of information in the public realm is a key component of contemporary democratic life.

The second day was dedicated to media networking and shifted the focus to concrete strategies designed to facilitate the exchange between scholars and media. For this purpose, MSEUCA invited key stakeholders from the University of Victoria, media organizations, and various government offices to a brainstorming and networking session. The objective of this second day was to work collectively and across professional fields towards effective modes of media engagement and to build local networks supporting the exchange between the media and scholars.

Finally, The Jean Monnet Project "Europe Dialogue on Migration: Cross-Border Mobility and the European Union Refugee Crisis" (CEDoM) was pleased to co-organize a series of public events in conjunction with the Canadian Council for Refugees' Consultation at the University of Victoria (May 29-June 1st). CEDoM co-sponsored three events for the general public and engaged with many of the over 300 delegates who explored issues affecting refugee protection and newcomer settlement. The focus of this CEDoM initiative was to debate public policy approaches to governing refugees from a comparative transatlantic perspective. The EU project provided an opportunity to debate the Canadian experience with a comparative view on how the European Union and EU member states have tackled the challenge of managing irregular migration and refugees.

Cedar Trees Initiative

House in CFGS, the Cedar Trees Initiative (CTI) is a specialised Institute for research, teaching, community engagement, and critical dialogue on eco-social justice, both locally and globally. Over the last year the following people have come together to grow this initiative with the support of CFGS: Oliver Schmidtke, James Tully, Jeremy Webber, Pablo Ouziel, Ryan Beaton, Keith Cherry, Rebeca Macias Gimenez, Rebecca Nelems, Karen Yen, Beate Schmidtke, David Owen (University of Southampton), and Joshua Nichols (University of Alberta).

In March of 2019, CFGS supported EUCAnet's CEDOD project (*Canada Europe Dialogue on Democracy*) and CTI to put together the *Democracy and its Futures* conference and public forum co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union, the AVPR Building Connections Fund, and the Dean's Conference Fund. This event featured international and local democracy specialists, including experts in Indigenous democracies, in a multilogue with students, academics and public audiences. Interviews with a range of experts were recorded and will be made available online.

With a grant from Stream of Consciousness, the conference also entailed a recorded livestream event

on the role of academia and the media in public, democratic engagement (which is available on the EUCAnet Youtube page). A key outcome of the conference is the forthcoming book *Democracies and their Futures* to be published by the University of British Columbia Press. Another key outcome is the second CTI conference, which will take place in June 2020, the planning of which is currently underway.

In collaboration with the EUCAnet MSEUCA project (co-funded by the Erasmus+ programme of the European Union), CTI also co-organized two online webinars. The first, entitled "*The Crises of Democracy: The Global South, and Globalization from Below*," featured Boaventura de Sousa Santos and James Tully in transatlantic dialogue about north/south relations, alternative traditions of democracy, and counter-hegemonic knowledges. The dialogue was moderated by Keith Cherry and Rebeca Macias Gimenez. The second, entitled "*Youth Climate Justice Activism: Changing the Agenda*," brought youth climate activists and allies from the UK, US, and Canada together in a multilogue about current and potential future actions for climate justice, intergenerational collaboration, and how climate activists are drawing from Indigenous



Participants of the Democracy and its Futures Conference at the Stream of Consciousness Livestream Public Event

leadership and traditional knowledges. The dialogue was moderated by Keith Cherry and Rebecca Nelems.

Currently, CTI is co-organizing jointly with EUCAnet's CEDOD project, UVic's Law Faculty, the Victoria Colloquium, and Eötvös Loránd University (ELTE) in Budapest, the conference *Democratic Constitutionalism and Its Challenges in a Populist Age*, to be held in Victoria in March of 2020. CTI Graduate Student

and Faculty Associates are also currently working on a SSHRC Partnership development grant application on *Democratising Democracy*. In addition, together with David Owen at the University of Southampton, CTI is exploring a grant project linking UK, Canada, and South Africa. Finally, spearheaded by Joshua Nichols, CTI is exploring the possibility of developing collaborative CTI courses to be taught in the North in conjunction with Indigenous nations and communities.

European Union Centre of Excellence (EUCE)

With funding from the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence and the Office of Interdisciplinary Academic Programs (OIAP), the European Studies Program is an Interdisciplinary minor program at the University of Victoria that focuses on the study of European integration in the broadest sense, including politics, geography, history, culture, language, law, and economics.

Under the auspices of the faculties of Social Sciences and Humanities, the minor aims to provide students with a thorough understanding of Europe's complex history, culture, and politics. The program also offers

students and faculty an opportunity to engage with the changing realities in Europe comprehensively, by bringing together specialists at UVic with different fields of expertise, scholarly approaches, and methodologies.

European Studies (EUS) hosts information sessions and events during the year for academics whose research areas relate to the EU, its institutions, and its culture. The aim of the program is to increase awareness of the EU and its funding and research opportunities. The EUS program wrapped up the year with an information session delivered by the regional Representative of

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EURAXESS Researchers in Motion North America, Viktoria Bodnarova, who discussed EU funding opportunities: Horizon 2020, Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions, and the European Research Council. Ultimately, the EUS program is driven by the shared responsibility for a global community, offering a comprehensive examination of the EU, its policies, economy, culture, and history within the context of the present day.

In September 2018, the EUS program welcomed Elena Pnevmonidou, Associate Professor in Germanic and Slavic Studies, as Director of European Studies. This year, the Office of the Vice President Research (OVPR)

approved the formation of a two-year pilot research Institute for EU and European Studies, in addition to the provision of base funding for administrative support during the two-year pilot period. This Institute is proud to be housed within the Centre for Global Studies and to announce that it will be headed by the Associate Director for European Studies, Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly, and administered by Amanda Merritt. The Institute, and its Associate Director, are committed to developing a plan for the perpetuity of the Institute, and fostering a European Studies network of researchers internal and external to UVic.

POLIS Project on Ecological Governance

The POLIS Project on Ecological Governance is a platform for transdisciplinary research that investigates and promotes sustainability. POLIS brings together academic and policy research with community action to foster healthy and sustainable communities. POLIS works with a wide network of partners and supporters

across many sectors, including decision-makers at all levels of government (local, First Nations, provincial federal), influencers, academics, experts, funders, and on-the-ground organizations working across scales.

During this past year, POLIS' Water Sustainability Project (WSP) continued its work on the cross-



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POLIS' Ethics Workshop

cutting themes of the multi-year research project, “The Future of Water Law and Governance.” An overarching goal of the WSP is to explore how local communities, First Nations, and governments have the capacity and ability to participate and demonstrate leadership in watershed governance, resulting in the local protection of valuable rivers, streams, and water supplies.

The WSP’s public policy work continued this year at both the provincial and federal levels. Provincially this included: providing research and briefings regarding the implementation of B.C.’s *Water Sustainability Act*; offering direct expertise and research insights to the influential and independent offices of the Auditor General, Forest Practices Board, and the Office of the Auditor General for Local Governments; ongoing advisory and support related to the watershed governance pilot in B.C.’s Nicola Valley; and POLIS co-director Oliver M. Brandes’ ongoing independent expert role to address contamination in the Hullcar Valley. Federal-level work helped lay the foundation for the critical modernization of the *Fisheries Act* and the *Canada Water Act*.

Additionally, through the work of POLIS co-director Kelly Bannister, the POLIS Project on Ecological Governance continued to lend its capacity to two major collaborations on Indigenous Ethics Initiatives. Kelly facilitated the development of new “Ethical Guidelines for Community Based Monitoring and Knowledge Coproduction” at the request of the Indigenous Knowledge, Citizen Science and Indigenous Knowledge Branch, Science and Monitoring Division within Alberta Environment and Parks. She also developed a “Model Policy for the Protection and Respectful Use of Indigenous Knowledge and Wisdom” to address an institutional policy gap in the protection of Indigenous knowledge that is accessed by public post-secondary institutions in B.C. on behalf of the First Nations Education Steering Committee of BC.

Water Innovation and Global Governance Lab

The WIGGLab started this reporting period with a celebration, as Michele-Lee Moore had begun parental leave following the birth of her son. Although her absence meant a slightly quieter year than normal, lots of activities continued to take place. Working in partnership with Zita Botelho consulting, the WEPGN-funded ReFRESH project continued to build relationships within the Columbia Basin to set a solid foundation for a possible social innovation lab, building off of our understanding for potential innovative pathways in the Columbia River Treaty.

This project successfully secured additional funding from Vancity. Furthermore, following the successful defence of his PhD, Jesse Baltutis led the completion of a second article (his first was published in the previous

reporting period), and the submission of an additional article for the ReFRESH project. The WIGGLab also welcomed the addition of Lana Lowe, PhD student in Indigenous Law, while Rebeca Macias (PhD, Law) completed her field work focusing on the Site C Dam, Canada and the Belo Monte Dam, Brazil.

The WIGGLab was also honoured to be part of a successful SSHRC Insights grant led by Dr. Dan McCarthy at the University of Waterloo for the project entitled *Practicing Reconciliation Through Teaching and Research on Haida Gwaii: A Collaborative Research Project*. Collaboration is currently focusing on designing curriculum for two full semesters of courses led by the Haida Gwaii Higher Education Institute, which will be launched in the fall of 2020.

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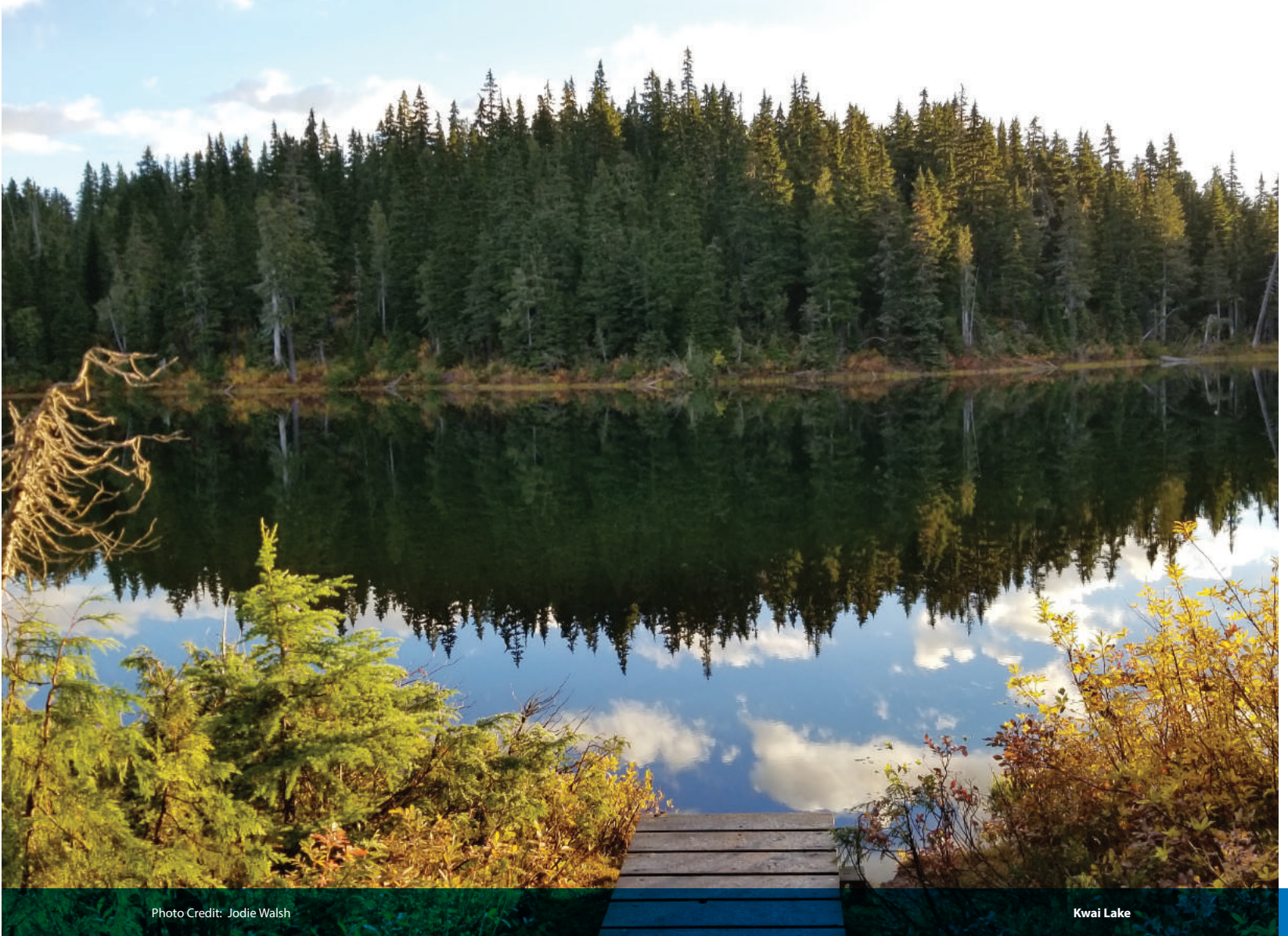


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Kwai Lake

WORKING GROUPS

CFGS supports various working groups that meet on a regular basis. CFGS collaborates with these groups to promote events and research bringing greater visibility to the issues each group is focusing on. The working groups are more informal than the CFGS Projects and offer a unique and interactive opportunity for people from the UVic community and beyond to discuss and collaborate on specific topics. All of these working groups are open to the public - contact CFGS main office or the convenors directly for more information on meeting schedules and events.

Working Group on Global Health Research

The University of Victoria has been an institutional member of the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research (CCGHR) for several years. In April 2017, at a meeting of the Council of Deans chaired by the Vice-President Research (VPR) it was recommended that the university's membership should represent the research interests of several faculties, and therefore that the Centre for Global Studies (CFGS) was an appropriate hub. As a next step, a Working Group on Global Health Research (WG-GHR) was launched with the goal of promoting better and more equitable health worldwide through the production and use of knowledge.

Over the past academic year, WG-GHR met on a monthly basis (with a break over the summer months). The group has been encouraged by the diversity of member interests – for example, including members from social sciences and civil engineering as well as representatives from non-government organizations, with offices in Victoria, doing health and development work.

At group meetings, members share research interests and provide updates on work. Respecting the charge by the university leadership to facilitate an interdisciplinary approach to global health research, an important feature has been to invite speakers from research groups where health is one component of activities, but not necessarily the “core” mandate.

The Working Group on Global Health Research is co-convened by Nathan Lachowsky, Dzifa Dordunoo, and Vic Neufeld. For information on how to join the Global Health Research Group email list, visit <https://bit.ly/2yxKzqB>

Global South Colloquium

In its third year, the Global South Colloquium, a public seminar series about the history of globalization, explored the themes of world history, world systems, and world-making across disciplines. The first event in the series was a day-long workshop on the connections between global history and world literature, integrating scholars from several institutions across North America as well as respondents culled from across the University of Victoria.

Throughout the academic year, seminar participants included historians and literary critics, such as Kenneth Pomeranz, Cemil Aydin, Priya Satia, Eli Jelly-Schapiro, Dar Rudnycky, and Prabhat Patnaik, all of whom offered different interpretive and empirically situated accounts of the nature of world systems in history and politics today. As a measure of integrating UVic faculty into such programming, UVic scholars have participated in these seminars in various ways, from Professor Emeritus Greg Blue in a roundtable discussion of Kenneth Pomeranz's history of China in world historical perspective, to Professor Rachel Cleves, acting as one of a two-person set of discussants for the work of Eli Jelly-Schapiro.

The Global South Colloquium is convened by Neilesh Bose. For more information on the group visit <https://bit.ly/2yyK8Ms>

Latin American Research Group (LARG)

Launched in 2016, the Latin American Research Group (LARG) speakers' series works in collaboration with the CFGS to bring together scholars and those interested in Latin America to share and discuss interdisciplinary research on the region. In 2018-19 LARG had two speakers in the fall term: Claudia Puerta Silva (Anthropology), visiting scholar from the Universidad de Antioquia who spoke on mining and the environment in Colombia, and Cynthia Milton (History), visiting scholar from Université de Montréal, who spoke on memory and human rights in Peru. In the spring term, LARG held its eighth biennial workshop. Twenty-four papers in concurrent sessions addressing issues pertaining to Latin America from a diversity of disciplinary perspectives were presented by faculty and graduate students from UVic, UBC, Simon Fraser, Royal Roads, Camosun College, and Kwantlen University. The Latin American Studies Lansdowne Visiting Scholar, Yael Bitrán Gorén delivered the keynote address on the ethnomusicological research of Henrietta Yurchenco in Mexico.

LARG is led by Beatriz de Alba-Koch, Department of History and Director of the Latin American Studies Program, UVic. LARG's speakers' series is organized by Michelle Bonner, Department of Political Science, UVic

Middle East Discussion Group (MEDG)

From its beginnings in 2012, the MEDG has grown to be a focal point for discussion of Middle Eastern issues by participants from on-and-off campus and from far afield, bringing wide and different perspectives and expertise to the complex issues engulfing the Middle East region.

Participants from diverse backgrounds, expertise, and opinions have the opportunity to voice their views and share their varied experience in a welcoming environment. The MEDG's membership includes faculty, students, and experts in the field. It is also open to participation from the general public. Guests from government, diplomacy, academia, and the

military are also invited to address the group. Faculty members specializing in Middle East research subjects add great value to the impact of the group. This year, in partnership with the Canadian International Council's (CIC) Victoria Branch and the CFGS, the MEDG hosted Ambassador Jon Allen and Ambassador Dennis Horak. Additionally, the MEDG hosted or co-hosted presentations by Dr. Samir Gandesha, Dr. Ozlem Ezer, and Dr. Dina Siddiqi. Group Coordinator, Dr. Hanny Hilmy, acted as a moderator or presenter for a number of MEDG events.

The MEDG, working within the umbrella of CFGS and has greatly benefited from the support of CFGS in carrying out its mandate. For more information about the MEDG or to request participation, please contact Dr. Hanny Hilmy, Coordinator, MEDG, at hilmyh@uvic.ca.

UVic in the Anthropocene

UVic and the Anthropocene was first established as a CFGS Working Group in 2016 with the aim of engaging individuals from across campus. In the face of the challenges posed by climate change, a group of UVic faculty and community organizations set up a series of engaging Community Conversations to explore the key issues and challenges associated with establishing a One Planet way of life.

This year, with the announcement of CFGS Associate Fellow Trevor Hancock's retirement, UVic in the Anthropocene transitioned from CFGS to a new home in the School of Public Administration. From this point forward, this group will be under the convenorship of Astrid Brouselle, Director of the School of Public Administration.

FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM



CFGS Fellows, Scholars, and Staff 2018/2019

The CFGS Fellowship Program constitutes a core part of the intellectual life at the centre with an overarching aim of building a sophisticated and transdisciplinary network. Through this program, CFGS offers a variety of fellowships, including graduate student research fellows, visiting graduate research fellows, UVic faculty fellows, visiting research fellows, and visiting research scholars. This year, a number of cross-border research scholars joined the centre through a partnership between CFGS and the Borders in Globalization project. Additionally, the Centre for Studies in Religion and Society, the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives, and CFGS hosted a Harold Coward Indian fellow through joint partnership.

Since its establishment in 2012, the fellowship program has hosted close to 100 fellows and visiting scholars from 24 countries, bringing with them a diverse array of disciplines, perspectives, and research specialities. This reporting year alone CFGS welcomed six new fellows, extended stays for four previous fellows, and hosted fifteen scholars-in-residence.

CFGS senior fellows and scholars continued to share their breadth of knowledge, experiences, and expertise this year. UVic Faculty Fellow, Rob Walker's project "Challenging the Modern International: Humanity, Citizenship, World", questioned the contemporary trends that amplify long-standing uncertainties about whether politics is, or should be, understood as 'international' or 'global'. This project provided the theoretical tools necessary for the CFGS community to discuss these terminological debates and conflicting interpretations in order to further understand the interplay between these two concepts.

It was also a pleasure to welcome Cynthia E. Milton to campus as a CFGS Visiting Research Fellow from the Université de Montréal. While at CFGS she participated in a number of public events including a Global Talk Signature Series presentation titled, "Historical Reckonings: Artistic Representations in the Aftermath of Violence", and a presentation with the Latin American Research Group on, "Counter Memory: Military Cultural Interventions and the Human Rights Era in Peru." She also co-presented a Global Talk with CFGS Visiting Scholar and Chair-Rapporteur for the UN Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances, Bernard Duhaime, on, "Truth, Memory, and Human Rights: Thoughts on the Contributions of the United Nations Working Group on Enforced or Involuntary Disappearances."

This year CFGS continued to work with Diplomat in Residence, Kenneth Macartney, and Community Practitioner Fellow, Ivan Thompson. Ken and Ivan

both joined CFGS in 2017 and have contributed greatly to CFGS' understanding of the role of research in policy formation, community outreach, and practical applications.

"CFGS very quickly became my academic home. A group of engaged, interdisciplinary scholars and professors committed to sharing, learning and discussing one another's work, it has been an optimal environment in which to learn and grow as a scholar. I've been able to make connections between my work and that of others, which I otherwise would not have made. CFGS hosts a range of fantastic events that foster this engagement and collaboration, and I feel honoured to be part of the community."

REBECCA NELEMS, 2018-2019 CFGS GRADUATE STUDENT
FELLOW2015 PIERRE ELLIOT TRUDEAU SCHOLAR

The Centre benefits greatly from the fellows and scholars within the CFGS community who continue to enrich the networks, intellectual capacity, and social dynamics of the Centre. Applications for the fellowship program are accepted in November of each year with fellowship intake occurring in September of the following year, with some exceptions for visiting scholars.

FELLOWS IN RESIDENCE



Paivi Abernethy VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR
Children's environmental health as a criterion for planetary health and sustainability



Ramesh Bairy
HAROLD COWARD INDIA FELLOW
Learning to 'see' today's caste



Francesco Cappellano
VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR – BIG
Cross-border economic integration at the US/Mexican border, innovation policy, spatial planning, and economic development



Bernard Duhaime
VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR
International human rights law specializing on the inter-American system of protection of human right



Ozlem Ezer VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW
Women's life writing, image and representation formulations in travel literature, oral histories, literature, and women's studies



Edwin Hodge POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLAR
Examinations of border policy, temporary foreign labour in the Canadian market, and the emergence of territorial networks of far-right activism.



Thomas Homer-Dixon
VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR
Threats to global security in the 21st century, including economic instability, climate change, and energy scarcity



David Lark GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOW
Power and Resistance in the Investor-State Regime: How Contesting Social Forces Are Transforming International Investment Law



Qian Liu GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOW
The Interaction of Multiple Legal Orders in China: Leftover Women's Choices in Marriage and Childbearing



Rebeca B. Macias Gimenez
GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOW
Searching for Equitable Treatment of Indigenous People in Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Decision-Making about Hydro Projects



Kenneth Macartney DIPLOMAT IN RESIDENCE
Global Affairs Canada senior official and former Canadian ambassador



Cynthia E. Milton VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW
Historical Reckonings: artistic representations and curatorial practices after conflict



Miriam M. Mueller VISITING RESEARCH FELLOW
The Limits of Rule? Contextualizing the Border Regime of the "Islamic State"



Sara Naderi GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOW
Iranian women's subjectivity which arises from their marginalized subject position – as women in a postcolonial society – in the modern world



Rebecca Nelems GRADUATE STUDENT FELLOW
Connection in the Digital Age: A Decolonized, Phenomenological and Participatory Study of Youth's Sense of Belonging, Kinship, Responsibility and Citizenship in Canada and Ecuador



Olusola Ogunnubi VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR
The Ideational Value of Soft Power and the Foreign Policy of African Regional Powers



Pablo Ouziel VISITING POSTDOCTORAL SCHOLAR
Crises in democracy, civil democracy, civic engagement, public philosophy, collective presences, nonviolence and civil democracy



Edward A. Parson ASSOCIATE FELLOW IN RESIDENCE
International governance of climate engineering, environmental regulation and technological innovation



Ben Perrier VISITING POSTDOCTORAL FELLOW - BIG
The legal regime of the border, cross border territorial cooperation law, transnational and global law, environmental regionalization



Margit Säre VISITING RESEARCH SCHOLAR – BIG
Investigating transboundary civic environmentalism in the Salish Sea-Cascadia border region



Ivan Thompson
COMMUNITY PRACTITIONER FELLOW
Senior Advisor (Pacific Region), Tides Canada



Desiree Valadares
VISITING GRADUATE STUDENT SCHOLAR
The Reparative Logics of World War II Confinement "Camp" Preservation: British Columbia, Alaska and Hawai'i in Context



Rob Walker FACULTY FELLOW
Focused on claims about the status of the international, global politics and contemporary rearticulations of political spatiotemporalities.

ASSOCIATE FELLOWS

Susan Bazilli

International Women's Rights Project (IWRP)

Gregory Blue

History of colonial and post-colonial societies

Ron Crelinsten

Terrorism, radicalization and counter-terrorism in liberal democracies

Derek Fraser

Ukraine; fragile, dangerous and failed states

Budd Hall

Community-based research, social movements, international community development

Trevor Hancock

Public health systems and services, urban health and urban health equality, public policy and health, health and the environment

Peter Heap

Globalization and summit reform in the G-20

Hanny Hilmy

Contested interaction between the rights of national sovereignty and the requirements of international intervention

Vic Neufeld

Special Advisor to the Canadian Coalition for Global Health Research; capacity development for health system reform; health research in low and middle-income countries

Jon O'Riordan

Provincial water policy reform and the ecological governance of water management

Edward A. Parson

International governance of climate engineering, environmental regulation and technological innovation

Alan Pence

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KEYSTONE EVENTS

This year, CFGS hosted or sponsored a total of 93 events. These events ranged from weekly Global Talks to larger collaborative events such as book signings, webinars, conferences, workshops, and featured guest speakers.

Global Talks

The *Global Talks* program was first established in an effort to provide a forum for the greater CFGS community to come together to share research, network with UVic scholars and community members, and reflect on some critical questions and emerging global issues in a multidisciplinary environment. Since inception six years ago, the program has continued to grow and now represents not only a primary pillar of CFGS programming but also a regular fixture within the UVic community. During this reporting period, CFGS expanded the number of theme based Global Talks with panel discussions on both the 2018 Brazilian General Election and the 2018 Midterm American Election.

The *Global Talk - Signature Series* typically includes presentations given by senior experts or practitioners within the CFGS network. These events occur on

the first Wednesday of every month and are open to the community beyond the core CFGS group.

This year CFGS expanded the Signature Series to include eight presentations, including three guest speakers. Michael Wolfson's September presentation reviewed aspects of both poverty reduction and guaranteed incomes, including the pro's and con's of the federal government's new official poverty line. Then, October's Signature Series featured Jan Grabowski's presentation on what academics have learned about the Holocaust in Eastern Europe which was followed by a discussion on the research challenges still facing academics in the field today. Finally, in collaboration with the Property & Society Research Group, CFGS hosted Nicholas Blomley in December for a discussion how property law helps to constitute a social order.



Global Talk Signature Series

Other Signature Series topics this year included: artistic representations in the aftermath of violence; funding change through philanthropy, academic, and civil society; how universities can assist in addressing the UN Social Development Goals; theoretical understandings of the international, the global, and sovereignties; and civil engagement and political change in urban spaces.

In January, CFGS hosted its second Project Showcase as part of the Global Talks Program. This discussion forum allowed each project housed within CFGS to present on their current research agenda as well as discuss potential research opportunities and collaborations. Attended by a majority of the internal CFGS community, this event allowed for fellows and staff to reflect on current projects and gain further insight into the greater CFGS community.



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Participants at the Democracy and its Futures Workshop

Conferences and Workshops

On March 21st and 22nd, 2019, scholars from across Canada and Europe met at UVic to discuss issues related to democracy and populism from a comparative, transatlantic perspective. The *“Democracy & its Futures”* event series brought together junior and senior scholars to discuss issues related to democracy and populism from a comparative, transatlantic perspective.

The debates of the two-day event were moderated to consider, in particular, current issues relevant to policy makers and civic society groups. Based on the passionate networking and debates (both in a workshop format and in a public forum), the “Democracy & its Futures” event series initiated a formal transatlantic research network on the crises of and innovative solutions for democracy that will explore further collaboration and exchange in the future. In addition, the debates of the March 2019 events will constitute the basis for a joint book

publication with approximately 20 contributions on the ‘crisis of democracy’ from a transatlantic perspective.

This spring, CFGS played a major role as part of the local organizing committee for the *Canadian Council for Refugees Spring Consultation*, hosted at UVic. More than 300 participants from across Canada convened on campus to explore current issues affecting refugee protection and newcomer settlement, with a special focus on dialogues about newcomer settlement on Indigenous land and how to build bridges with Indigenous People.

In addition to hosting a volunteer welcome and orientation, CFGS and the EUCAnet co-hosted three public events in conjunction with the consultation. First, author and activist Tima Kurdi shared her story in an event titled,

“Turning Grief into Helping Refugees” which sought to bridge academic understandings of the global refugee crisis with the real world, lived experiences of those who the crisis directly affects. Then, in a lunch-time session during the consultation, Dr. Saime Özçürümez presented a policy focused perspective on her work developing a social cohesion model set to examine policy transformations linked to humanitarian protection and social integration.

Finally, co-financed with the City of Victoria, CFGS helped organize an evening reception with the theatre production *im:print*. This multidisciplinary performance wove the personal stories of indigenous, settler, immigrant, and refugee artists and their interrelationship to people and place while celebrating local talent and questions barriers to meaningful inclusion.



Book Launch

Resurgence and Reconciliation: Indigenous-Settler Relations and Earth Teachings

Edited by: Michael Asch,
John Borrows, and
James Tully

(University of Toronto Press,
2018)



On February 4th, an excited crowd gathered in the First Peoples House to celebrate the release of “*Resurgence and Reconciliation: Indigenous-Settler Relations and Earth Teachings*” (2018) edited by Michael Asch (UAlberta), John Borrows (UVic Law), and James Tully (UVic Emeritus Distinguished Professor).

Co-hosted by the Department of Political Science, the Department of Anthropology, the Department of Law, the Centre for Indigenous Research and Community Led Engagement (CIRCLE), and CFGS, this event included a series of engaging speakers. All three of the

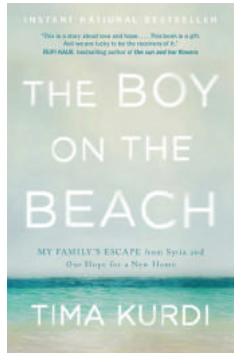
books editors were on hand to speak as well as Paulette Regan, the former Director of Research for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada; Pamela Spalding, a PhD candidate in the School of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria; Gina Starblanket, an Assistant Professor in Indigenous Politics at the University of Calgary; and Nancy Turner, an Emeritus Professor in the Department of Environmental Studies at the University of Victoria.

Resurgence and Reconciliation is multi-disciplinary, blending law, political science, political economy, women’s studies, ecology, history, anthropology, sustainability, and climate change. Its dialogic approach strives to put these fields in conversation and draw out the connections and tensions between them. By using “earth-teachings” to inform social practices, the editors and contributors offer a rich, innovative, and holistic way forward in response to the world’s most profound natural and social challenges. This timely volume shows how the complexities and interconnections of resurgence and reconciliation and the living earth are often overlooked in contemporary discourse and debate.

Book Signing

The Boy on the Beach

Written by: Tima Kurdi
(Simon & Schuster, 2019)



On May 29th, co-founder of the Kurdi Foundation and internationally recognized spokesperson for the global refugee crisis, Tima Kurdi joined CFGS Director Oliver Schmidtke and JMEUCE Director Ruben Zaiotti for a public event titled, *“Turning Grief into Helping Refugees.”* Co-hosted by EUCAnet, this event sought to bridge academic understandings of the global refugee crisis (offered by Ruben Zaiotti) with personal accounts and experiences (offered by Tima Kurdi).

In September 2015, a personal tragedy struck Tima’s family - her brother, Abdullah, lost his wife, Rehanna, and their two boys, Alan and Ghalib Kurdi, while trying to cross from Turkey to Greece. The picture of Alan Kurdi, *The Boy on the Beach*, woke up the world to the plight of the Syrian refugees escaping their country.

Together with her brother Abdullah, Tima founded the Kurdi Foundation, to honour her nephews. To not only keep her nephews memory alive, but the memory of all children affected by war, she and her brother have been working at the refugee camp in Erbil, Kurdistan providing children with education, medication, clothes, and food.

Tima’s memoir was available for purchase after the event and she was on-hand to speak to guests and sign books.

Seminar and Webinar Series

2018/2019 ‘Creating A Blue Dialogue’ Webinar Season

In collaboration with the Water Economics, Policy and Governance Network (WEPGN), based at Brock University, the POLIS Water Sustainability Project continued its *‘Creating a Blue Dialogue’* webinar series for the 2018/2019 academic year. This partnership was formed as a result of WEPGN’s focus on knowledge mobilization as it nears the end of its research cycle, and the WSP’s well-established reputation and expertise in communicating to a wide variety of audiences in a diversity of ways.

This year’s series included four webinars: ‘From Panama to Canada: Urban Water Sustainability & Natural Asset Planning’, ‘The Future of the Columbia River: Governance Reflections and Opportunities’, ‘Access to Safe and Sustainable Drinking Water Sources in the First Nations Communities’, and ‘Stepping Stones to Watershed Governance: New Tools & Services to Strengthen Decision-Making in B.C.’ These webinars brought together experts from across British Columbia

and western Canada, and were attended by over 450 local, First Nations, provincial and federal government representatives, students and researchers, practitioners; local watershed groups; and NGO representatives.

All webinars are available to watch in full on the POLIS website: <https://poliswaterproject.org/events-webinars/>

Launch of the ‘Global Politics in Critical Perspective - Transatlantic Dialogues’ Webinar Series

In an effort to expand on their mission of mobilizing expert knowledge, EUCAnet’s MSEUCA project launched a new webinar series with the goal of linking expert knowledge with current public debates. The ten-part webinar series, *‘Global Politics in Critical Perspective - Transatlantic Dialogues’*, addressed many issues including:

Electoral Reform Canada - Lessons from Europe;
Austerity and Social Inequality;
Brexit, Borders and the Visions for Europe;

Borders, Security and Migration;
Crises of Democracy;
Fighting Climate Change;
Security & Diplomacy in a Digital Age;
The Surge of Right-wing
Extremism in Europe and Canada;
Youth Climate Justice Activism; and
Migration and Climate Change

All webinars are available to watch in full on the EUCAnet Youtube page: <https://youtu.be/5FIqIzkKQHk>

Borders in Globalization 2018/2019 Research Seminars



This year the Borders in Globalization project hosted a series of bi-monthly seminars at the University of Victoria from September 2018 to May 2019. These seminars worked to move the field of border studies forward by, among other things, exploring theoretical conceptual thinking on borders, and understanding practical issues addressed by policy makers. The thirteen part series brought together scholars from around the world to discuss topics including:

Introduction to Border Studies;
The Cultural Dimension of Borders;
The History of Borders;
Security/Preclearance Policy in the Pacific Northwest;
European Border Regions;
Sustainability and Borders;
Post-Modern Borders: Governance;
Post-Modern Borders: Global Borders;
The Social Construction of Borders;
Climate Change, Precarity, and Borders;
Irregular Migration as Transformative Politics;
Border Dispute Resolutions; and
Lessons from BIG.

All the seminars had the option to attend in person at the University of Victoria or to connect remotely. Videos of each seminar can be accessed on the Borders in Globalization youtube page: <https://bit.ly/2KPxGxU> part of the series of Watersheds 2018 events.

Public events, panels and guest lectures

Launch of the “Othering & Belonging: Legacies of the Past and their Impact Today” Lecture Series

This year, in collaboration with the Department of Germanic & Slavic Studies and the Centre for Youth & Society, CFGS launched the “*Othering & Belonging: Legacies of the Past and their Impact Today*” lecture series. The goal of this lecture series is to examine past injustices in order to find ways that we can learn from them. In particular, they focused on our modern history and how current threats to

democracy, such as the rise of nationalist populism or the resurgence of xenophobia or anti-Semitism, can be best understood so that we do not repeat past wrongs.

For its inaugural year, the “Othering & Belonging” lecture series hosted three public lectures. First, Dr. Samir Gandesha came to UVic from Simon Fraser University to discuss, “*The Rise of Authoritarian Populism: Is Left Populism the Answer?*” Then, as a Landsdowne Lecture, renowned historian Jan Grabowski discussed his experiences in an event titled,

“Legislating the Past: The Holocaust and the Polish ‘History Laws’.” Finally, with support from the National Academic Programs Division of the Jack, Joseph, and Morton Mandel Center for Advanced Holocaust Studies at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum, the organizing committee was able to host Maral Attallah for a lecture discussing, ***“The Armenian Genocide: Legacies of Denial.”***

Ideafest 2019

Each year, UVic hosts a campus wide festival of research, art, and innovation called Ideafest. For the 2019 festival, CFGS agreed to host a public panel on irregular immigration in the Canadian context. ***“How a Rise in Asylum Seekers Affects Canada”*** was chaired by BIG Project Manager, Nicole Bates-Eamer, and featured Asad Kiyani (UVic - Faculty of Law), Oliver Schmidtke (Director, CFGS), Scott Watson (UVic - Political Science), as well as a high-ranking representative from the Canadian Border Services

Agency. In the past two years, some 30,000 people have sought asylum in Canada. This panel of experts explored the impact of this extraordinary situation on policy, international agreements, and public perception.

Ideological Conflict Project - Public Lectures

This fall CFGS welcomed Thomas Homer-Dixon back to the CFGS community as a Visiting Research Scholar. During his time in residence, he hosted a small workshop for his project on ideological conflict which brought scholars from around Canada and Europe to campus. Many of these senior scholars agreed to give public lectures while they were on campus.

First, on September 24th, Paul Thagard presented on ***“The Emotional Coherence of Donald Trump & the Islamic State”*** where he used the neutral theory of emotions and the social theory of emotions to explain the contemporary success of both the Islamic State and Donald Trump. The next day both



Samir Gandesha, Othering and Belonging Lecture Series
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Thomas Homer-Dixon leads discussion with Paul Thagard
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BIG's Nicole Bates-Eamer moderates the 2019 Ideafest panel
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Thomas Homer-Dixon presents on his new book project
Photo Credit: Stephanie Gruhlke



POLIS' Laura Brandes moderates the UN World Water Day discussion panel

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Matto Mildenberger and Jonathan Leader Maynard presented their research in public forums. Matto Mildenberger's presentation, *"The Logic of Double Representation in Climate Politics"* was co-hosted by the Department of Political Science and highlighted how the climate threat's emergence reveals latent cross-cutting divisions within pre-existing political and economic coalitions. Later that evening, Jonathan Leader Maynard presented on *"Ideology and Violence in World Politics"* and offered insights into the role ideology plays in violent political conflict while offering an explanation for the profound ideological changes currently taking place in world politics.

Finally, Thomas Homer-Dixon capped off this series of events by presenting to a full-house public audience on his new book project. In *"Commanding Hope: How We Create a Humane Future for a Tumultuous World"* Thomas Homer-Dixon suggested that, as a

society, we need a new idea of hope because most of today's notions of hope are false, passive, or weak. Instead, he proposed, we need to reinvent and reimagine a new hope that is honest, astute, and powerful - a 'commanding hope'. By changing our understanding of hope, we can help ourselves and our children flourish in a world in turmoil - and perhaps even decisively end that turmoil to create a far better future.

UN World Water Day

In celebration of UN World Water Day, the POLIS Water Sustainability Project hosted approximately 85 people for a screening of the award-winning documentary, "The Memory of Fish." This film offers a documentary portrait of the intertwined lives of Dick Goin and wild salmon, and highlights the key role Dick played in a decades-long fight to free the

Elwha River in Washington State. It follows Dick as he uses his memories and persistence to battle for the biggest dam removal project in U.S. history.

Following the screening, POLIS' Laura Brandes moderated a conversation with local change-makers Adam Olsen (MLA, Saanich North and the Islands), Tom Rutherford (Cowichan Watershed Board), and Tanis Gower (Watershed Watch Salmon Society). Picking up on the themes in the film, the moderated conversation turned to the B.C. context, focusing on issues facing watersheds and wild salmon, successes to date, and the opportunities available to ensure rivers and salmon thrive into the future.

Canadian International Council Event Partnerships

During this reporting period, CFGS further developed its partnership with the Victoria Branch of the Canadian International Council. Through this partnership CFGS was able to co-host a number of diplomatic guests on campus including Former Canadian Ambassador to Israel (2006-2010) and Spain and Andorra (2012-2016) Jon Allen, and Former Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia (2015-2018) Dennis Horak.

Additionally, Her Excellency Josefina Vidal, Cuba's Ambassador to Canada, and His Excellency Kerim Uras, Turkey's Ambassador to Canada, came to campus for separate lectures in March and April respectively. Lastly, the newly appointed President of the Canadian International Council Ben Rowsell channelled his extensive experience working in the Canadian Foreign Service in his presentation on ***"The Challenge that Populism Poses: The Need for a New Alliance of Liberal Democracies."***

This spring, CFGS and the Canadian International Council also partnered with the Undergraduates of Political Science (UPS) student group to host ***"Canadians Going Global."*** This event featured four panelists with very different life experiences who discussed their education backgrounds, career choices, and all the twists, turns, and lessons they learned along the way. It provided current students the opportunity to gain important insights into the field as they contemplate potential international career paths.



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CFGS's Oliver Schmidtke and Jodie Walsh with CIC's Ben Rowsell and Chris Kilford

Field Schools



European Studies offered two exciting experiential learning opportunities for students: the West Coast Model EU and the EU Study Tour. This year, European Studies became the administrative home for the EU Study Tour, and can now boast the largest UVic field school, comprised of forty-three participants in 2019.

The EU Study Tour takes place in May every year. This is an opportunity for students to complete a course credit (EUS 390A) towards a minor or concentration in European Studies. Participants travel through Brussels, Luxembourg, Frankfurt and Strasbourg, to key sites of European institutions and civil society organisations, engaging with representatives of the EU's administrative and political leadership, such

as the European Commission, Parliament, Court of Justice and Central Bank, along with other European organizations such as NATO, the European Court of Human Rights, and the Canadian Mission to the EU. The Tour is not simply an accredited course, it is a full immersion into European history, culture, and political formation, and a program for self-directed and independent study. This year, seven UVic EU Study Tour participants received JMCE-funded travel grants to participate in the 16th annual pan-Canadian EU Field School, and five of these students stayed on in Europe to complete a two-month long internship.

With thanks to JMCE, this year four UVic students received full funding to attend the West Coast Model EU, a simulation of a European Council summit, which takes place every spring in Seattle, WA. Two teams represented EU member state delegations, as either Heads of State or Ministers. Alina Sobolik won an honourable mention as Poland's Head of State for her work on the issues of common immigration and border schemes.

Additionally, EU funding enabled Alina Sobolik and Malcolm Thomson to present their research at the Claremont-UC undergraduate Conference on the European Union. Their research papers were later published in the Claremont Undergraduate Review.

Media Outreach

During this review period, CFGS fellows and associates provided expert perspectives in over 80 newspaper articles, television broadcasts, radio interviews, and media releases.

As politics in Europe continued to evolve this year, CFGS Director Oliver Schmidtke maintained his role as a leading expert on European and migration issues. He provided expert commentary to media outlets locally, nationally, and internationally on the Brexit process, EU Summit negotiations, German



politics, the political unrest in France, Europe-North America relations, and the international response to the fire at Notre Dame Cathedral.

This year, CFGS welcomed Trevor Hancock as the newest member of the Associate Fellow cohort. Trevor Hancock has over 30 years experience as an internationally recognized health promotion leader who has helped to put health on the agenda of thousands of cities and towns around the world. He uses his expertise to publish a weekly column in Victoria's *Times Colonist* focusing on public health, urban health and urban health equity, and health, environment, and sustainability. All of Trevor Hancock's articles can be found on the Times Colonist website.

Other CFGS fellows, researchers, and associates were active in the media and responsive to breaking news in their fields. POLIS continued its media presence by publishing a variety of articles and participating

in radio interviews on topics ranging from the province's commitment to freshwater protections to what sustainability could look like in a post-2018 world. CFGS Visiting Scholar Bernard Duhaime was interviewed by Al Jazeera regarding the Jamal Kashoggi murder and CFGS Diplomat-in-Residence Kenneth Macartney authored an article on the lessons Canada can learn from the Sweden/Saudi crisis. CFGS Director Oliver Schmidtke, as well as colleagues from the Department of Political Science Colin Bennett and Scott Watson, published a number of op-eds in the *Times Colonists* focusing on public perception and policy responses to the global refugee crisis.

All CFGS scholars, fellows, and associates may be contacted directly with media inquiries. For general inquiries, please contact Operations Director and Research Coordinator, Jodie Walsh.

Research Grants Awarded

CFGS and its affiliated projects have benefited greatly from a variety of new funding opportunities this reporting period.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Insight

*Populism and its Effect on Liberal Democracy:
Minority Rights and Freedom of Speech*
Centre for Global Studies, Oliver Schmidtke (PI)

Tides Canada – GF05094

POLIS Water Sustainability Project

The Vancouver Foundation

*B.C. Water Leaders: Consolidating a Strategic
Core and Expanding the Network to Advance
Freshwater Sustainability*
POLIS Water Sustainability Project

Water Economics Policy and Governance Network (WEPGN)

Webinar Support
POLIS Water Sustainability Project

AWARDS

On October 11th the POLIS Water Sustainability Project was awarded the **2018 Land Award in the Fresh Water and Food Systems** category.

"It's such an honour to even be considered among so many excellent projects and a vibrant community of change-makers," said Oliver M. Brandes, Project Lead at the POLIS Water Sustainability Project, who accepted the award on behalf of the team at the Land Awards Gala in Vancouver. "Events like this are so critical. They give us a glimpse into the many creative and impressive projects that are making real change and searching for solutions for our communities."

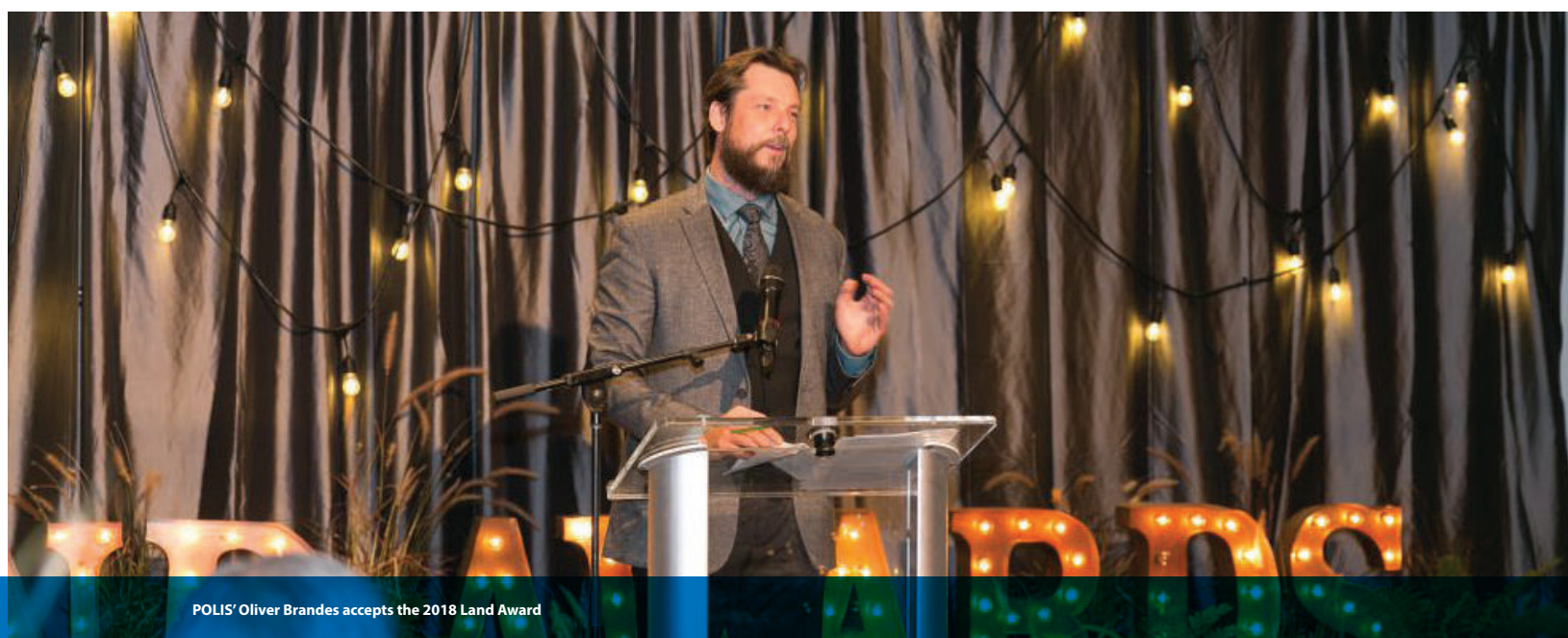
The Real Estate Foundation of British Columbia (REFBC) has a strong mandate to transform land and water use attitudes and practices, and created the Land Awards in 2010 to celebrate innovation, leadership, and collaboration. The awards celebrate excellence in sustainable land use and recognize outstanding projects and standout leaders who work to build healthy, resilient communities and natural environments.

During her fellowship at CFGS, Visiting Research Fellow Cynthia Milton was named a 2019 Peirre Elliott Trudeau Fellow. This fellowship offers sustained support

to intellectuals who are recognized for their productivity, their commitment to communicating their findings to the public, and their ability to imagine innovative solutions for some of the major issues facing society.

Former CFGS Graduate Student Fellow, Stephen Fielding, was awarded the Canadian Historical Association's Bullen Prize for best history dissertation in Canada for his project, "Sports Multiculturalism: Postwar European Immigrants, Gender, Diaspora, and the Grassroots Making of Canadian Diversity." Each year the John Bullen Prize honours one outstanding Ph.D. thesis on a historical topic submitted in a Canadian university.

CFGS Associate Fellow, BIG Project Lead, and EUCE Director Emmanuel Brunet-Jailly's co-edited book "European Union Governance and Policy Making: A Canadian Perspective" was named one of the 'Hill Times' 100 Best Political, History, Public Policy Books of 2018. This list is based on the best-sellers list for non-fiction books in Canada, book reviews, The Writers' Trust, The Donner Prize, and BookNet Canada.



POLIS' Oliver Brandes accepts the 2018 Land Award

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The papers in this special issue of *The Canadian Geographer / Le géographe canadien* elucidate the state of contemporary borders in a world of flows and mobilities, a world where the territoriality of states' boundary lines is continually challenged by the multiple forms that borders take. The border as "territorial trap" defined by Agnew (1994) has morphed into multiple forms—from boundary line to the fluid limits of transportation systems and regimes of rights. These rights regimes are exceptions to states and provide shelter in cities, or they are regimes of rights that grant free and pre-cleared flows of goods in and out of countries. They have roots in time-honoured and formative approaches to human organization and interaction across boundaries of language and other aspects of culture and politics. They align with Indigenous approaches to territoriality and also a-territorial global rights (United Nations 2007, 2018). And, they may prove critical in navigating the altered geographies of the Anthropocene.

Journal of Borderlands Studies Special Section: Alberta, Canada - Integrating Fragmented Borders and Borderlands: Vol 34 No 2: Spring 2019

This issue of the *Journal of Borderlands Studies* examines the context of Alberta: Canada's fourth largest province by population and the third largest in economic terms. Landlocked Alberta is a dynamic, heavily urbanized yet largely resource-driven economy which has experienced considerable economic diversification since the 1980s. The province's major export sectors, particularly its energy and agri-food sectors, have been transformed by changes to wider regulatory and market structures, major technological innovations, and the opportunities and pressures arising from global and North American commodity price cycles. These shifts have prompted large-scale movements of people and capital, creating substantial ripple effects in both larger and smaller Canadian jurisdictions. However, they have also provoked and been caught up in countervailing social and political tensions across North America with broader implications transcending provincial or national boundaries.

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