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Latest News

Academy of Social Sciences confers Fellowship to fifty-six leading social scientists

We are delighted to announce that fifty-six leading social scientists have been conferred Fellowship of the Academy this spring. Our newly elected Fellows are highly accomplished individuals recognised for excellence in their fields and their wider contributions to the social sciences for public benefit. The Academy is particularly pleased to see an increase in the number of Fellows being elected from institutions across Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Read the [press release and download the full list of new Fellows](#).

We Society podcast series season three launching soon

Season three of the [We Society podcast series](#) will be launching this month. Academy President Will Hutton FAcSS continues to host the series produced in partnership with Whistledown Productions. Season three promises a fantastic lineup of guests discussing some of the most contemporary and critical issues facing the UK and the world, and offering perspectives on how the social sciences can contribute to identifying solutions.



Here is an initial snapshot of the lineup of guests scheduled for the new series; one more is awaiting confirmation:

- **Prof Nick Crafts CBE** (Professor of Economic History, University of Sussex Business School) on the UK's economic history and its legacy
- **Prof Heaven Crawley FAcSS** (United Nations University, Head of Equitable Development and Migration) on global inequalities and migration
- **Kenan Malik** (Author and presenter, currently a Senior Visiting Fellow at the University of Surrey) on race, identity and multiculturalism
- **Prof Louise Mansfield FAcSS** (Brunel University, Professor of Sport, Health and Social Sciences) on sport, health and wellbeing
- **Polly Neate CBE FAcSS** (CEO of housing and homelessness charity Shelter) on housing

We will keep you updated in future communications as dates are confirmed for the release of the episodes.

You can still [download previous episodes](#) from seasons one and two free on Apple podcasts, Google, Amazon, Spotify and all major podcasting platforms. You can also access the podcasts directly on the [Academy's website](#).

Vacancy: Senior Communications Manager

The Academy is seeking a Senior Communications Manager to manage all aspects of the Academy's communications, including its website, social media channels, media and press, and planning and support for strategic projects. Communications lie at the heart of our work. As the sole professional responsible, the postholder will report to the Chief Executive and work closely with her, the Head of Policy and Public Affairs and the Senior Campaign Manager. [Learn more about the role and apply on our website.](#)

Stian Westlake's appointed as the new ESRC Executive Chair

Secretary of State for Science, Innovation and Technology Michelle Donelan has selected Mr Stian Westlake as the next Executive Chair of ESRC. Mr Westlake is currently Chief Executive of the Royal Statistical Society (RSS) and is former Executive Director of Policy and Research at Nesta.

The Academy welcomes his appointment and wishes him every success in the role. We also thank and commend Professor Alison Park FAcSS for doing such an excellent job over an extended interim. Read more about Stian's appointment on the [UKRI website](#).

ESRC Digital Footprints: Strategic Advice Team Workshops

ESRC is inviting UK colleagues from all social science disciplines who utilise, plan to use, or have insights into digital footprint data to attend an online workshop on 7 March 2023 at 13:00hrs. The workshop series is part of the ESRC Digital Footprints: Strategic Advice Team project, which will allow the ESRC research community to contribute to the "research pillar" and "data centre" definitions for the forthcoming [Digital Footprints funding programme](#). This programme is an estimated £59.3 million investment in new research infrastructure for social sciences that will run between 2022 and 2029.

The outcomes will be used to guide ESRC as they develop the Digital Footprints programme and funding calls. [Find out more and register free](#)

Open call: Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research

The Stein Rokkan Prize for Comparative Social Science Research, presented by the International Science Council together with the University of Bergen and the European Consortium for Political Research is awarded on an annual basis and comprises an award of EUR 5,000. Nominations for the 2023 Prize are now open to candidates from all social science disciplines with substantial and original contribution to comparative social science research. Nominations are open until **30 April 2023**. [Find out more](#).

Policy and Research

Policy Monitor



Read the March Policy Monitor to see the summary of latest consultations across England, Wales, Scotland and Northern Ireland. [View](#)

Policy Update

This month we update in detail on recent developments regarding the proposed new Northern Ireland protocol and the implications this could have for UK science and researchers. It has been a major hurdle to the UK's accession to Horizon Europe funding and if passed will be good news for the people of Northern Ireland, as well as for scientific collaboration and UK researchers. We also update on the Labour Party's 2019 manifesto commitment to abolish tuition fees. There is significant uncertainty on what the final policy will be given current fiscal challenges. Finally we look at continuing pressures on university finances and related issues of foreign student numbers and student number caps.

[Read the March Policy Update](#)

The logo for Campaign for Social Science is set against a solid orange rectangular background. The text 'CAMPAIGN for SOCIAL SCIENCE' is written in white, uppercase letters. 'CAMPAIGN' is on the top line, 'for SOCIAL' is on the second line, and 'SCIENCE' is on the third line. A thin white line forms a partial frame around the text, starting from the top left and bottom left corners and extending slightly past the text on the right side.

CAMPAIGN for SOCIAL SCIENCE

WEBINAR

What's next for 'levelling up'?

09 March 2023, 13.00hrs, online | [Register free](#)

In partnership with the [Policy Institute at King's College London](#) and [UK in a Changing Europe](#) the Campaign presents a free webinar focusing on the future of the levelling up agenda in the context of the UK's economic crisis.

Guest speakers:

- Andy Haldane, Chief Executive, RSA & Chair, Levelling Up Advisory Council
- Gemma Tetlow, Chief Economist, Institute for Government
- Anand Menon, Director, UK in a Changing Europe
- Rebecca Riley, Associate Professor of Enterprise, Engagement and Impact, University of Birmingham
- Suzanne Hall, Director of Engagement, Policy Institute, King's College London
- Bobby Duffy, Professor of Public Policy and Director, the Policy Institute, King's College London (Chair)

Showcasing Campaign Supporters in Action

Our Campaign Supporters are among the most proactive and engaged producers and users of social science research. By supporting the Campaign, they have clearly demonstrated their commitment to social science and an appreciation of its vital role in society. We've created a new page on our website which showcases some excellent examples of major projects, initiatives, and activities where our Supporters are using their social science research to make positive and tangible impacts. The collection

we've brought together shows just some of the many and varied ways in which social science is addressing real world challenges and improving people's lives whether locally, nationally, or globally.

Find out more by visiting the [new portal of our Campaign Supporters in Action](#).

Welcoming UWE Bristol as a new Campaign Supporter

We are delighted to welcome University of the West of England as the latest institution to become a Campaign Supporter. UWE Bristol joins us as a silver level Supporter. Supporting the Campaign is an excellent way for an institution to visibly demonstrate an active commitment to promoting the social sciences. We very much look forward to working with colleagues at UWE Bristol.

We expect to be announcing further new Campaign Supporters in the coming months; do check our website for details. For institutions and organisations that haven't yet become Campaign Supporters but would like to join us in celebrating and promoting the social sciences why not [find out more](#) about what we do and how you can be involved.

Fellows' News

Putting 'purpose' at the heart of business - Purposeful Company publishes two vital reports

Last month the [Purposeful Company](#) co-chaired by Will Hutton FAcSS published two major reports which demonstrate how putting 'purpose' at the heart of business is the key to long term value creation and the pre-condition for sustained recovery. The two reports: '[Advancing Purpose](#)' and '[Private Equity and Purpose](#)' which have taken a year to complete, are the most extensive examination of investor and business opinion on purpose and ESG and their practice yet undertaken. There is widespread agreement from practitioners that purpose-led business best creates long term value for all stakeholders. However there is much to do to further the case - there are shortcomings in reporting , communicating, investor interest and uncertainty about

what this means in practice. Download and read the reports on the [Purposeful Company website](#).

International Multidisciplinary Research Project Management

The SRA supported by the Academy's International Advisory Group is running a one-day live online training course on Wednesday 24 May. The course is designed to provide participants with the skills needed to manage complex research projects that cross international and disciplinary boundaries. The course is based on the book *How to Manage International Multidisciplinary Research Projects* edited by Professor Linda Hantrais FAcSS. The course fee includes a free copy of the [e-book](#). [Register for the course](#).

Academy Fellows can also purchase the book separately at a 25% discounted rate using the following code [HANT15](#).

Obituary: Professor John Elderidge FAcSS

The Academy is sad to announce the recent death of British Sociologist, Professor John Elderidge FAcSS. Our condolences go to his family, friends and colleagues who worked with him during the course of his distinguished career. [Read his full obituary on BSA's website](#).

New books by FAcSS

- [How to Develop a Sustainable Business School](#)
Ambrosini V., Jack, G. and Thomas, L. (2023)
Edward Elgar
- [The Experience of Examining the PhD: An International Comparative Study of Processes and Standards of Doctoral Examination](#)
Byram, M. and Stoicheva, M. (eds) (2023)
Routledge.

- **Risk Assessment in Forensic Practice**
Crighton, D. (2023)
Routledge
- **Urban Futures: Planning for City Foresight and City Visions**
Dixon, T. and Tewdwr-Jones, M. (2022)
Bristol University Press
- **Making Schools Better for Disadvantaged Students: The International Implications of Evidence on Effective School Funding**
Gorard, S. et al (2022)
Taylor and Francis
- **A Political Sociology of Education Policy**
Gunter, H.M. (2023)
Bristol Policy Press
- **Planning Regional Futures**
Harrison, J., Galland, D. and Tewdwr-Jones, M. (eds) (2022)
Routledge
- **Genealogy, Psychology and Therapy: Uncovering Trauma**
Nicolson, P. (2022)
Routledge/Taylor and Francis
- **Rural Poverty Today: Experiences of Social Exclusion in Rural Britain**
Shucksmith M, Glass J., Chapman P. and Atterton J. (2023)
Policy Press
- **The Wiley-Blackwell Handbook of Childhood Social Development (3rd ed.)**
Smith, P.K. & Hart, C.H. (eds) (2022)
Chichester: Wiley
- **Contested Borders: Queer Politics and Cultural Translation in Contemporary Francophone Writing from the Maghreb**
Spurlin, W.J. (2022)
Rowman & Littlefield
- **Law, Humanities and the COVID Crisis**
Stychin, C.F. (ed) (2023)
IALS

- [Digital Participatory Planning: Citizen Engagement, Democracy and, Design](#)
Wilson, A. and Tewdwr-Jones, M. (2022)
Routledge
- [Creating Chinese Urbanism: urban revolution and governance changes](#)
Wu, F. (2022)
UCL Press

If you are an Academy Fellow and have a new book you would like included in these listings, please email us with a link to your publication at media@acss.org.uk

Social Science Societies News

BAAL Call for Papers

BAAL has issued a call for papers for its annual conference 2023 on the theme: 'Opening up Applied Linguistics'. The conference takes place on 23-25 August 2023. Deadline for submissions: **Friday 17 March 2023**. For more information and guidance [visit BAAL's website](#) .

BAM2023 Call for Papers

BAM2023 Conference

The British Academy of Management has issued a call for papers ahead of its 2023 annual conference on the theme 'Towards Disruptive Sustainability: New Business Opportunities and Challenges'. The deadline for submissions has been extended to **Friday 10 March 2023**. The conference will take place on 1-6 September 2023 at University of Sussex Business School. For more information and guidance on submissions [visit BAM's website](#).

BAM2023 Doctoral Symposium

BAM has issued a call for papers and posters for its Doctoral Symposium which will take place on Monday 4 September 2023. The symposium will be hosted at the

University of Sussex in collaboration with the Digital Futures at Work Research Centre. Deadline for submissions: **9 May 2023**. For more information on submission [visit BAM's website](#)

BSPS Call for Papers and Early Career Awards

BSPS Conference: Call for papers

BSPS has issued a call for papers for its 50th anniversary conference, which will take place at Keele University on 11-13 September 2023. Deadline for submissions: **24 April 2023**. For more information and guidance on submissions visit the [BSPS web page](#)

BSPS Early Career Awards open

The BSPS Early Career Award celebrates early career demographers by giving them the opportunity to present their research in a plenary session at the annual conference. Any BSPS member in academia who is within 5 years of receiving their PhD on the deadline is eligible to be nominated. Nominations are also welcomed from early career researchers working in local or national government, within 5 years of their appointment. Candidates are frequently self-nominated but can also be nominated by a BSPS member. Deadlines for nominations: **30 April 2023**. For more information and to make a nomination visit the [BSPS web page](#)

BSA Call for Papers

BSA Medical Sociology Conference 2023: Call for Papers

BSA has issued a call for papers for its Medical Sociology Conference 2023, 13-15 September 2023, University of Sussex. Deadline for abstract submissions: **Friday 28 April**. For more information and guidance on submissions visit [BSA's website](#)

BSA Work, Employment & Society Conference 2023: Call for Papers

BSA has issued a call for papers for its annual Work, Employment and Society Conference 2023. The theme of the conference is 'Repositioning Resistance in the Workplace: Reframing Relationality and Risk in Contemporary Employment'. The conference will take place from 13-15 September at Glasgow Caledonian University. Deadline for abstract submissions: **Friday 28 April**. For more information and guidance on submissions visit [BSA's website](#)

Political Studies Association seeks trustee nominees for election to Executive Committee

PSA is calling for nominations for four new trustees to join its Executive Committee. Nominations are open for an Honorary Treasurer and three trustees to serve two terms of up to three years. For more information visit [PSA's website](#).

Closing: **Wednesday 8 March 2023**

Events

Social Science Societies Events

British Association for Applied Linguistics

- [BAAL Annual Conference 2023, 'Opening up applied linguistics', 23-25 Aug 2023, University of York](#)

British Educational Research Association

- [BERA conference 2023, 12-14 Sept 2023, Aston University/Conference Aston, registration open](#)

British Sociological Association

- [BSA Annual Conference 2023 'Sociological Voices in Public Discourse', 12-14 April 2023, University of Manchester, UK](#)

British Society of Criminology

- [British Society of Criminology Conference 'Sustainable futures: Remaking Criminology in an age of Global Injustice', 27-30 June 2023,](#)

[University of Central Lancashire, Preston,
Registration Open](#)

Development Studies Association

- [DSA2023 Annual Conference, 'Crisis in the Anthropocene - Rethinking connection and agency for development', 28-30 June 2023, University of Reading, in-person and online](#)

Economic History Society

- [Annual Conference 31 March – 2 April 2023, University of Warwick, Registration open](#)

Society for Research into Higher Education

- [Relational Pedagogies: Connections And Mattering In Higher Education, Tues 7 March 2023, 9:30 - 11:00 \(online\)](#)

Political Studies Association

- [PSA 73rd Annual Conference 2023 'Political Futures', 3-5 April 2023, University of Liverpool, registration open](#)

