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MIGRANT DIPLOMACY: COLLABORATION TO ADVANCE MUSEUM’S ROLE TO FOSTER DIVERSITY

Koichi Iwabuchi (MAI)
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

This project aims to promote Australia-Japan partnership and innovatively advance public diplomacy in mutuality on a common ground of trans-Asian migration. This project will promote cooperation and exchange between Immigration Museum in Melbourne and relevant organizations in Japan such as public museum, university and art council, in order to foster cultural diversity and inclusion in society, and a concrete action plan for organizing collaborative projects.

EXAMINING CULTURAL DIFFERENCES IN THE ROLE OF FAMILY AND COMMUNITY LEVEL RISK AND PROTECTIVE FACTORS ON PARENTAL EMPowerMENT, INFORMAL AND FORMAL HELP SEEKING

Rebecca Wickes (SOSS)
Queensland Family and Child Commission

A report by Meyer and Wickes for the Queensland Family and Child Commission examines the role of domestic and family violence, community and neighbourhood factors and cultural differences in parental empowerment and efficacy, help seeking and engagement for an overall parent sample and an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander-specific subsample of parents. The report also finds the negative effect of domestic family violence on parental efficacy and empowerment can be reduced by protective factors at the family, friends and community level.

SKILLS IQ AUSLAN CURRICULUM WORK

Louisa Willoughby (LLCL)
Skills IQ

This project is to write the knowledge evidence section of 15 units of the new TAFE Auslan curriculum. Knowledge evidence outlines the specific language skills or general knowledge a student should have at the end of each unit. Our team draws on knowledge of sign language structures and acquisition and theories of second language acquisition to develop appropriate milestones for each university.

DEVELOPING TRANSLATING AND INTERPRETING SERVICES FOR IMPROVED GOVERNANCE IN INDONESIA

Marc Orlando, Jiri Hlavac (LLCL) & Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

This project is aimed at improving governance, management and training of translators and interpreters in Indonesia. It links to all the major Ministries, including their provincial counterparts, and will be fundamental to Indonesia’s focus on sustainable economic development. The program will provide training in T&I to government functional officers, but also contribute to capacity building in this field, and to the need for improved cooperation among government agencies in Indonesia.

BEYOND THE CITY: INCREASING THE DISPERSAL OF CHINESE VISITORS IN REGIONAL AUSTRALIA

Joseph Cheer (NCAS)
Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

The aim of this project is to examine how Chinese travellers can be dispersed more widely into regional Australia. This has clear implications for associated visitor expenditure, as well as for economic development within regional Australia. This project will have particular focus on Chinese inbound tourists to Australia, as well as to building knowledge around ways to increase their length of stay and expenditure in regional Australia.

ADEOLOSCT GIRLS IN PROTRACTED EMERGENCIES: THE CURRENT CRISIS IN SOUTH SUDAN

Katrina Lee-Koo & Hannah Jay (SOSS)
Plan International Australia

This project works with Plan Australia to explore the unique impact that protracted emergencies have upon adolescent girls, aged between 10-19. The project explores the ways in which girls experience emergencies differently to boys and to women, noting that often these unique experiences aren’t adequately considered or addressed in responses to emergencies. The research will also look at the ways in which girls navigate emergencies through their own decision making, relationship building, resilience and activities.

BUILDING A STRONGER EVIDENCE BASE: A GENDER SENSITIVE APPROACH TO PREVENTING VIOLENT EXTREMISM IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC

Jacqui True & Kerry O’Brien (SOSS), UN Women

This is a two part research project encompassing both a summative or outcome evaluation of current UN Women programming on social cohesion in Indonesia and Bangladesh and a mapping of the broader landscape across the region as well as innovative research examining gender and preventing violent extremism in both contexts.

The research component will draw from and will be informed by the ongoing programmatic evaluation, whilst also seeking to establish an evidence base to inform future programmatic and advocacy initiatives.

REVIEW OF THE FAMILY VIOLENCE INFORMATION SHARING LEGISLATIVE SCHEME

Jude McCulloch, JaneMarree Maher, Kate Fitz-Gibbon, Marie Segrave, Kathyrn Benier & Kate Burns (SOSS)
Department of Health & Human Services

This project responds to the requirement for the review of the scheme contained in recommendation 5 of the landmark Victorian Royal Commission into Family Violence (2016). The review, to take place over two years, seeks to determine whether the scheme is being implemented effectively, whether the scheme gives rise to any adverse effects, inform a regulatory impact statement, and meet the legislative requirements of an independent review.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS IN AUSTRALIA

Rebecca Wickes and Helen Forbes-Mewett (SoSS) & Andrew Markus (SoPHIS)
Scanlon Foundation

Funding was awarded to enable Dr Flynn to form part of a team of researchers investigating the issue of image-base abuse. There is a content gap for information on this form of abuse and this funding allowed the researcher to develop a webinar and content information as part of a tender for consultant writing services.

AZRIELI PROGRAM IN BRAIN, MIND & CONSCIOUSNESS

Tim Bayne (SOPHS)
The Canadian Institute for Advanced Research

The Azriel Program in Brain, Mind and Consciousness is focused on understanding the neural basis of human consciousness. The specific focus of the research group is to build bridges between the philosophy of consciousness and the science of consciousness. These connections are directly beneficial to the research on Italian and Canadian unconsciousness. As an Azriel Senior Fellow, Tim has also been involved in conducting master classes for graduate students and post-doctoral researchers.

A SENSE OF BELONGING IN AUSTRALIA: AN IN-DEPTH EXAMINATION OF SETTLEMENT EXPERIENCES FOR CHINESE AND INDIAN MIGRANTS

Rebecca Wickes (SOSS)
Scanlon Foundation

This project examines the barriers to belonging and wellbeing for Indian and Chinese migrants. It draws upon a range of data sources, including ABS census, survey data from the national Scanlon Social Cohesion Surveys and focus group data from the Australia@2016 project. The project aims to identify the most salient correlates of belonging for members of Indian and Chinese migrant groups with a particular focus on education, employment, visa category and experience of discrimination.
CHINA DIGITAL AND MONASH PARTNERSHIP FOR RESEARCH STRATEGY

Joseph Cheer (NCAS)

Monash has been sub-contracted by China Digital (China Visitor Experience Agency) to carry out a survey of Chinese visitors in Australia, which includes developing a research strategy; coordination of field research, conducting literature reviews and data analysis and report writing.

GENDER AND TRAUMA, 1945 TO THE PRESENT

Christine Twomey & Paula Michaels (SOPHIS)

Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia

This interdisciplinary workshop asks how gender shaped the definition and treatment of trauma across time and place. The objectives are to identify key moments when gender has informed theories and treatments of trauma; analyse the role of gender in narratives of trauma and findings will be published across several outputs.

INVISIBLE EPIDEMICS: ETHICS AND INTERVENTIONS FOR ASYMPTOMATIC CARRIERS OF INFECTION

Michael Selgelid (SOPHIS)

Brocher Foundation

The phenomenon whereby asymptomatic carriers of infection pose risks to others manifests in the epidemiology of multiple pathogens (including HIV, tuberculosis, malaria, Zika, even Ebola). In addition to being widespread, it is a growing problem—as exemplified by cases involving antimicrobial resistance, which is widely recognized to be one of the greatest threats to global public health in the coming decades. This workshop will help set a research agenda and stimulate future work on this novel topic by engaging some of the world’s leading scholars in public health ethics.

GENDER RESPONSIVE ALTERNATIVES TO CLIMATE CHANGE

Jacqui True (SOSS) & S Henderson (Action Aid Australia)

ActionAid

This project seeks to address the global gendered impacts of climate change, recognising that women are often disproportionately impacted compared with men by climate change and related crises as a result of gender inequality in access to power and resources. Building upon increasing evidence which suggests that climate change is changing weather systems and is driving humanitarian disasters of an unprecedented scale, this project addresses the power imbalances that render women either invisible or marginal in climate change policy and planning, to assist in overcoming a cycle of increased vulnerability.