Research news

Female Entrepreneurship: Gearing Up For Business Growth (/research/activity/business/creme/news/2014/july/female-entrepreneurship.aspx)

'Female Entrepreneurship: Gearing Up For Business Growth' workshop in Birmingham looks at the key issues faced by female entrepreneurs.

10/07/2014

The essence of community hospitals (/schools/social-policy/departments/health-services-management-centre/news/viewpoint/2014/the-essence-of-community-hospitals.aspx)

The statement from Simon Stevens about the role of small hospitals in the NHS is welcome, and unexpected. Those communities who are actively campaigning to keep their valued local hospitals are stopped in their tracks. Can this be right – does the NHS have room now for community hospitals as part of its infrastructure? A clear message from the CEO of the NHS would suggest so.

10/07/2014

Relations between China and India take centre stage at Birmingham conference (/news/latest/2014/07/china-india-conference.aspx)

A ground-breaking conference at the University of Birmingham will bring together scholars from China, India and the UK to address contemporary Sino-Indian relations. Focusing on economic and security implications, speakers will also discuss the implications of China and India's simultaneous rise on the West.

08/07/2014

Blog: 21st century public servant: the discussion phase (http://inlogov.com/2014/07/08/21st-century-public-servant-the-discussion-phase/)

Written by Catherine Needham. This post is based on a provocation which I posed at INLOGOV's recent Summer Symposium. It is an attempt to move on the conversation about engagement between local government, other public institutions, citizens and communities.

08/07/2014

Let the people co-create our cities of the future, urge University of Birmingham experts (/news/latest/2014/07/cities-of-the-future.aspx)

The UK's cities of the future should be "self-made", with citizens being enabled to help generate their own vision of urban living and to elect non-partisan leaders who can deliver it, urges a new Policy Commission report.

07/07/2014

University of Birmingham to facilitate academic cooperation with Rio de Janeiro (/schools/business/departments/economics/news/2014/july/university-of-birmingham-to-facilitate-academic-cooperation-with-rio-de-janeiro.aspx)

Academics from the University of Birmingham and a Research Foundation in Rio de Janeiro working to facilitate academic cooperation in Brazil and the UK.

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Peking University collaboration (/schools/social-policy/departments/health-services-management-centre/news/2014/07/peking-university-collaboration.aspx)

A delegation from HSMC was in Beijing last week to meet with representatives from the Health Science Centre at Peking University to share experiences of health care reform.

07/07/2014

INLOGOV briefing paper: What happened to the NOC councils after May 2014? (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/Documents/college-social-sciences/government-society/inlogov/briefing-papers/2014/2014-local-election-results.pdf)

Written by Chris Game, Honorary Senior Lecturer at INLOGOV. Most of the results – and effectively the outcomes – of May's local elections were in the media the following day. For a fifth of councils, though – the black holes in this Briefing Paper's cover map – while the results, in terms of seat numbers, were available, the all-important outcomes – who will actually run the authority – weren't, often for weeks. The Briefing Paper's main purpose is to fill in those black holes, detailing who's now running what and how.

04/07/2014

A rigorous review of the role and impact of private schools in developing countries (/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/news/2014/07/private-schools-developing-countries.aspx)

A new review analyses recent evidence on the role and impact of private schools on education for children in developing countries, focusing on the delivery of education for the poor.

04/07/2014

A manufacturing renaissance (/university/colleges/eps/news/alumni/manufacturing-renaissance.aspx)

As UK manufacturing experiences an upturn, Professor John R. Bryson, Professor of Enterprise and Competitiveness at Birmingham Business School, explains this unexpected phenomenon.

03/07/2014

Translation and Translanguaging: Investigating linguistic and cultural transformations in superdiverse wards in four cities (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/07/translation-and-translanguaging.aspx)

The Launch Conference of the research project 'Translation and Translanguaging: Investigating Linguistic and Cultural Transformations in Superdiverse Wards in Four UK Cities', will be held at the University of Birmingham Business School on Friday 18 July.

02/07/2014

Research finds that paid work a 'barrier to exercise' for older women (/schools/business/departments/management/news/2014/july/research-finds-that-paid-work-a-barrier-to-exercise-for-older-women.aspx)

Older women in paid employment are less likely to take part in leisure-time physical activity, according to research by Birmingham Business School.

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The moral compexities of child protection: mothers, children and the state (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/07/moral-complexities-of-child-protection-mothers-children-and-the-state.aspx)

Sue White, Professor of Social Work for Children and Families, contributes to the latest Birmingham Brief.

02/07/2014

Whose sea? Mare nostrum and the politics of migration in the Med (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/07/whose-sea-mare-nostrum-and-the-politics-of-migration-in-the-med.aspx)

On the eve of Italy's EU presidency, IRiS academic Dr Sigona discusses the politics underpinning current responses to the migration crisis in the Med and how new wave of nationalism could scupper Italy's bid for EU-wide response to migrant boats.

01/07/2014

Beyond Islamophobia? Media shows Muslim families to be 'normal' (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/07/beyond-islamophobia-media-shows-muslim-families-to-be-normal.aspx)

For some time now, speculation has raged over the number of young British Muslims travelling to Syria and Iraq with the intention of fighting in the ongoing conflicts there. Dr Chris Allen writes in a recent article in 'The Conversation'.

01/07/2014

Blog: What happened to the NOC councils after the May elections: a moan and a puff (http://inlogov.wordpress.com/2014/06/30/what-happened-to-the-noc-councils-after-the-may-elections-a-moan-and-a-puf/)

Written by Chris Game. 'Five Days in May': the time it took in 1940 for Churchill to manoeuvre the War Cabinet into a five-year World War, in 2010 to form Britain's first post-war peacetime coalition – and in 2014 for Tower Hamlets LBC to announce its local election results. OK, I've exaggerated – it was actually 119 hours after the polls closed, so only 4.96 days, but still not good, even discounting the malpractice allegations.

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Paid work a 'barrier to exercise' for older women (/news/latest/2014/06/work-an-exercise-barrier-30-06-14.aspx)

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Practising integration in the EU (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/06/practising-integration-in-the-eu.aspx)

This paper in the IRiS Working Paper series, by Rachel Humphris (University of Oxford) reviews integration practices undertaken by civil society and local institutions across European Member States that have been identified as 'good practice' examples.

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Transition to adulthood of former unaccompanied minors - new ESRC grant (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/06/transition-to-adulthood-of-former-unaccompanied-minors.aspx)

Dr Nando Sigona is co-PI on a new ESRC research project on young migrants subject to immigration control in Europe.

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Causes and experiences of poverty among economic migrants (/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2014/06/causes-and-experiences-of-poverty-among-economic-migrants.aspx)

A new IRiS Working Paper by Simon Pemberton, Jenny Phillimore and David Robinson addresses causes and experiences of poverty among economic migrants, through a detailed review of academic and policy literature in this latest addition to the IRiS Working Paper series.

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