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IDD International Development Department

50th Anniversary 1964–2014

IDD celebrates its 50th anniversary in 2014. Throughout the year we will be holding events to mark the occasion - check our **news page (/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/news/index.aspx)** for what is happening - for example, and to start things off, we hosted the **Development Studies Association conference (/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/events/2013/dsa-annual-conference.aspx)** in November 2013.

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IDD 50 faces #10 - Professor Ken Davey, OBE (1969-2000) (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/50-anniversary/profiles/ken-davey.aspx)

I never dreamt that I would be involved in major reforms in countries as diverse as Indonesia, Slovakia and Ukraine. My time at Birmingham has been rich in opportunity and experience and rich in the friendship of likeminded colleagues both here and abroad.

IDD 50 faces #11 - Dr Rosamund Thomas (1970-71) (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/50-anniversary/profiles/rosamund-thomas.aspx)

Perhaps it was unusual but nevertheless at Birmingham University, in my time, I cross-read between several disciplines. At INLOGOV, my Master's degree (1970-71) permitted me to study not only UK central and local government, but also administration in developing countries. In addition, I read aspects of social policy and social administration in another department.

IDD 50 faces #09 - Ashok Kumar Jain (1990) (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/50-anniversary/profiles/ashok-kumar-jain.aspx)

My time at the IDD (1990) had been most enriching. I especially enjoyed learning how to organize thoughts, lateral thinking, information, time and resource management, converting ideas and academics into practice and gender sensitive development with the people especially the poor.

IDD 50 faces #08 - Matthew Craig (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/government-society/departments/international-development/50-anniversary/profiles/matt-craig.aspx)

I joined IDD in 2009 to complete an MSc in 'International Development, Conflict & Security' under the guidance of Paul Jackson, Danielle Beswick and Heather Marquette. Prior to the MSc, and on the advise of Paul Jackson, I had taken up a 12 month post with a Liberian NGO, in a Project Development role, with a focus on rehabilitating and repatriating Liberian child soldiers from the Buduburum Refugee Camp in Ghana.

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