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Qualifications

- MA International Relations and World Order, University of Leicester
- BA History and Politics, University of Leicester

Biography

Claire has been a Research Fellow in the GSDRC since 2004, providing research and consultancy for DFID, AusAid and EC advisers on a range of governance, conflict and social development policy issues. Her recent research has focused on the politics of basic service provision and the effects of service provision on state-building processes. She is currently completing her doctoral research in IDD on the relationship between access to basic services and processes of state legitimation in post-conflict situations. Prior to joining IDD, she worked for a number of years on migration and refugee policy as a civil servant in the UK Home Office.

Teaching

Claire contributes to teaching on the module 'Governance and State-building in Developing Countries'

Research

Research focus

- Service delivery and state-building
- Non-state service providers and their relationships with the state
- Sources of state legitimacy in post-conflict situations
- Political economy of public goods provision

Current and recent projects

- Lead author on topic guide on low cost private schools, for DFID.
- Second author and lead methodology expert on rigorous review of private schools for the economically disadvantaged, for DFID.
- Supporting the Overseas Development Institute (ODI) on the service delivery stream of their flagship programme on Sustainable Governance Transitions.
- Lead author of working paper on the 'politics of what works' in basic service provision, written for the Effective States and Inclusive Development Research Centre (ESID), University of Manchester
- Supporting expert and co-writer of the OECD handbook on 'contracting-out government functions and services in conflict-affected and fragile situations'.
- Author of GSDRC policymakers guide to Fragile States, produced for the UK Department for International Development (DFID).
- Co-author of emerging issues paper on state capacity and non-state service delivery in fragile situations, produced for DFID.
- Rapid response research on a variety of key and emerging governance, conflict and social development issues for DFID, EC and AusAid.

Publications

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