

News from Business School

Atom Feed (<http://www.Birmingham.ac.uk/news>)**Economics at Birmingham ranked in top 6 for research intensity in recent REF** ([/schools/business/departments/economics/news/2015/january/ref-research.aspx](http://schools/business/departments/economics/news/2015/january/ref-research.aspx))

The commitment to research that exists within Economics has been underlined by the results of the recent Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 exercise, with the Department ranked 6th out of 28 institutions on research intensity.

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Creating tomorrow's leading social scientists ([/schools/business/news/2014/november/leading-social-scientists.aspx](http://schools/business/news/2014/november/leading-social-scientists.aspx))

The Birmingham Doctoral Training Centre is one of only 21 across the UK to be accredited by the ESRC. It has 22 ESRC scholarships to fund doctoral research starting in 2015.

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News from School of Social Policy

Atom Feed (<http://www.Birmingham.ac.uk/news>)**Briefing Paper: Basic bank accounts in Ireland** ([/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-basic-bank-accounts-in-ireland.aspx](http://schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-basic-bank-accounts-in-ireland.aspx))

Basic Bank Accounts in Ireland: Not so much a false start as a faulty start? Read the latest Briefing Paper from CHASM.

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CHASM Briefing Paper: December 2014 ([/schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-saving-during-economic-down-turn.aspx](http://schools/social-policy/departments/applied-social-studies/news-and-events/2015/01/briefing-paper-saving-during-economic-down-turn.aspx))

Should people on low incomes be encouraged to save during an economic down-turn? Latest Briefing Paper from CHASM

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News from School of Education

Atom Feed (<http://www.Birmingham.ac.uk/news>)**Education and awareness needed to combat 'global epidemic' of liver disease** ([/news/thebirminghambrief/items/2014/10/education-needed-to-combat-liver-disease-30-10-14.aspx](http://news/thebirminghambrief/items/2014/10/education-needed-to-combat-liver-disease-30-10-14.aspx))

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News from School of Government and Society

Atom Feed (<http://www.Birmingham.ac.uk/news>)**Oil crisis: can short-term pain lead to economic gain for Russia?** (<http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/news/thebirminghambrief/items/2015/01/oil-crisis-22-01-15.aspx>)

The recent crash in oil prices is causing much anxiety in oil-producing states. From Iran to Venezuela, many have come to rely on elevated oil prices to fuel economic growth and support government spending.

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Blog: Shuffling the decks: quick fixes versus long-term stability (<http://www.developmentprogress.org/blog/2015/01/22/shuffling-decks-quick-fixes-versus-long-term-stability>)

Development Progress Blog. Ahead of the launch of our case studies on security progress in Liberia and Timor-Leste, Suda Perera writes on the risk that 'quick fixes' to violent conflict pose to development in the long-term. Taking the example of the Democratic Republic of Congo, she outlines the pitfalls of empowering warring parties and the challenging reality that good elections do not necessarily result in good democracy.

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