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~~DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE ~ MESSAGE DE LA DIRECTION~~

The term has begun with the usual flourish of activities at the CDAS. I am pleased to return from a long leave of absence to a vibrant CDAS community. Fifteen new Fellows, described in this Newsletter, have joined the 43 researchers already participating in the CDAS. There is a wide range of research related to development being conducted by these Fellows. However, we continue to locate our overall research agenda under four broad programmatic clusters: 1) gender and human security; 2) poverty and work; 3) globalization and inequality; and 4) alternative development. At present, the program on gender and human security has been successfully funded by SSHRC's Community-University Research Alliance Program. The other three clusters are less formalized and have more modest funding. However, they continue to be important foci for our seminars, publications and library acquisitions also described throughout the Newsletter.

International visitors play an important part in our dialogue and concerns related to debates on development issues. We are pleased to have two Visiting Professors in residence: Prof. Qudrat-e-Khoda, Aichi Gakuin University in Japan, will be with us until April 2003. Prof. Daniel Haile, from Ethiopia, jointly appointed with McGill's Faculty of Law and the African Studies Program, will be with us until December 2002. With both of these visitors, we are developing possibilities for long-term research. Three other international scholars have recently visited the CDAS: Hon. Dr Kezimbira-Miyingo, Minister of State (Environment), Government of Uganda and Baudouin Hamuli Kabarhuza, Conseil national des organisations non gouvernementales du Congo were here in June during the Sustainable Justice 2002 Conference. More recently, Lic. Elena Alvarez Gonzalez, Investigadora Titular and Directora Instituto Nacional de Investigaciones Economicas, Havana, Cuba gave a presentation on the current economic situation in Cuba and extended invitations to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Globalization Conference to be held in Havana in February 2003 (see the Newsletter for details).

Other information about CDAS and scheduled seminars is available in the Newsletter and appears regularly on our website, [www.mcgill.ca/cdas](http://www.mcgill.ca/cdas). We look forward to meeting you at these events. Finally, I wish to express my thanks to Prof. Myron Frankman, currently enjoying his sabbatical year in Belgium, for serving as Acting Director in my absence.

**Dr Rosalind Boyd**  
**Director**

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*We are sorry to announce the passing of Dr. Bassem Khalifah. Dr. Bassem taught Political Science at Concordia University and was President of the Canadian-Arab Human Rights Organization and founder of the Canadian Institute of Technology.*

*Dr. Khalifah assisted in deepening our understanding of Lebanon and was instrumental in the launching of our CDAS/CEPAL (Canadian Educational Palestinian Exchange) program.*

*We would like to extend our sincere condolences to his family.*



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## PROGRAMME GENRE ET ENJEUX DE SÉCURITÉ HUMAINE GENDER AND HUMAN SECURITY ISSUES PROGRAM

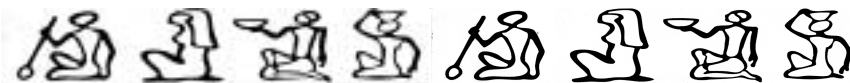
Ce programme entame sa troisième année d'existence. Le CERD et le Centre des femmes de Montréal (CFM) dirigent conjointement les activités de recherche avec la collaboration de leurs partenaires. Les résultats de recherche portent l'empreinte de la collaboration entre les milieux universitaires et communautaires, une des spécificités du programme.

Professeure Miranda D'Amico et le Centre des femmes de Montréal travaillent ensemble à la rédaction d'un article académique. Intitulé « *Mental Health Issues in Refugee Women : Assessing the Impact of a Women-centered Program* », cet article présente une étude étendue et approfondie sur les stress et les incertitudes que vivent les femmes réfugiées et leurs enfants lors d'une re-localisation. L'atelier « *Over There and Over Here : Participatory Approaches to Working with Immigrant and Refugee Girls* » se tiendra le 28 novembre 2002 à l'Université McGill. Cet atelier organisé par Claudia Mitchell réunira les intervenant(e)s et organisations oeuvrant auprès d'adolescentes réfugiées, dont le CFM. Pour sa part, notre partenaire sur le terrain, le EASSI, a organisé un atelier sur les méthodes de documentation des initiatives de paix. L'atelier s'est tenu en juillet 2002, en Ouganda, où pour cet événement, des participant(e)s de cinq pays d'Afrique ont été accueilli(e)s.

Trois notes de recherche ont été publiées récemment dans le cadre du programme GESH. Il s'agit du « Discussion Paper » no.93, « *Refugee Women and Girls : A Selective, Annotated Bibliography* », par Jackie Kirk, Stephanie Garrow et Claudia Mitchell; du Discussion Paper » no. 94, « *Sécurité humaine : une approche centrée sur les problèmes structurels* », par Myriam Gervais; et du « Discussion Paper » no. 100, « *The Disengagement of the Palestinian Women's Movement : Reconsidering Social Movement Theory* », par Manal Jamal.

*Le programme GESH bénéficie d'une subvention du Conseil de recherche en Sciences humaines (CRSH) du Canada dans le cadre de son programme Alliances de recherche Universités-Communautés (ARUC).*

Pour connaître les réalisations du programme GESH, veuillez visiter son nouveau site internet : [www.gesh-ghsi.ca](http://www.gesh-ghsi.ca)



## BIBLIOTHÈQUE GUTKIND LIBRARY



The Gutkind Library maintained a steady stream of visitors and new acquisitions through its door throughout the summer. For our visitors in particular, the library was made more appealing and practical through the installation of a new computer with high-speed internet access available to all. The computer, a gift from the McGill Faculty of Arts, can be used for email and research purposes on a first-come, first-served basis and has already proved invaluable to our Fellows.

Based upon the very successful publications exchange program which CDAS operates through its journal *LABOUR, Capital and Society*, hundreds of periodicals, monographs and research reports came to the Gutkind Library. A complete list of recent acquisitions can be found on the CDAS website at [www.mcgill.ca/cdas/list.pdf](http://www.mcgill.ca/cdas/list.pdf). In particular, visitors to the Gutkind Library might be interested in the UNDP's *Human Development Report 2002* (Oxford University Press, 2002) and the World Bank's *World Development Report 2003* (Oxford University Press, 2002). These volumes are excellent sources for the most recent economic and social indicators and of course also provide information on the policy directives of what are, for better or for worse, two of the world's most powerful development agencies. A new serial title acquired on exchange is *Historical Materialism: Research in Critical Marxist Theory* (London). This periodical typically includes articles and debates which challenge the more widely spread approaches to development and the South, and will certainly prove to be very popular among our researchers. Another regular periodical which we have now begun to receive is the *Mahbub Ul Haq Human Development Review* from Pakistan. This journal, named in honour of the founder of the UNDP's Human Development Reports, has a South Asia focus.

The Gutkind Library will remain open throughout the fall and winter from 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesday to Friday. For any reference questions or further information, please contact the librarian at 398-3507 or at [doc.cdass@mcgill.ca](mailto:doc.cdass@mcgill.ca).

-Iain Blair, Librarian at CDAS

## MONTREAL INTER-UNIVERSITY INITIATIVE L'INITIATIVE INTERUNIVERSITAIRE À MONTRÉAL

*The Montreal Inter-University Initiative in International Development Studies* is now entering its third year of programming thanks to the generous funding support of IDRC. One of the main components of the program is a team of graduate student interns chosen from each of the four Montreal universities to participate in CDAS research activities. They will also develop an aspect of their thesis through CDAS methodology workshops and other resources.

### STAGIAIRES AU CERD ~ CDAS INTERNS

The program offers the interns a broader exposure to the workings of a research centre through participating in the publication of the CDAS journal, *Labour Capital and Society/ Travail, capital et société*, working with CDAS faculty, attending interdisciplinary seminars, and using the multidimensional resources of the CDAS documentation centre. Congratulations and welcome to the three interns chosen by the Selection Committee. The interns for September 2002- March 2003 are:

**Mandip Basi**- Master's of Social and Cultural Anthropology candidate, Concordia University  
"The Logic of Biomedicine in Rural Punjab"

**Jean D'Aragon**- PhD candidate in Architecture, McGill University  
"Housing, Development and Cultural Resistance: the amaXhosa of East London, South Africa"

**Chantale Robillard**- PhD candidate in Anthropology, Université de Montréal  
«Marginalité et fragilité de la prostituée»

### SEMINAR SERIES ~ SÉRIE DE SÉMINAIRES

This semester, the CDAS *Inter-University Faculty Seminar Series in International Development* will host seven presentations on a range of topics related to issues of development. These presentations offer the opportunity for those affiliated with CDAS and other interested participants to learn more about particular development topics and to promote debate in an open and multidisciplinary environment. In return, the faculty members who present have the opportunity to gain valuable input on their research.

In September, **Professor James Ron** from the Department of Sociology at McGill University presented the first seminar of the year, "Primary Commodities and War: Evidence from Congo-Brazzaville". This was followed by **Professor Paresch Chattopadhyay** from the Department of Sociology at Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) who presented "Marx on Capital's Globalization". In October, **Professor Jean Daudelin** from the Norman Paterson School of International Affairs at Carleton University presented "Human Security, Development and Canadian Aid Policy" followed by **Professor Quadrat-e-Khoda** who spoke on "Issues on International Development: A Japanese Perspective". During the month of November, we will host three inter-university seminars:

- 7 November **Professor Amparo Jimenez**, UQAM, « Changements dans la gestion du contexte socio-politique : analyse d'un cas colombien »
- 12 November **Professor Rodolphe de Koninck**, l'Université de Montréal, « Les périls de la transition agraire dans le Sud-est asiatique »
- 20 November **Professor André Corten**, UQAM, « Imaginaires et pentecôtismes: Amérique Latine/Afrique »

*Seminars for the Winter Term are in the process of being organized. If you would like to know more about the Inter-University Faculty Seminar Series, the Montreal Inter-University Initiative and Internship Program or if you are interested in giving a presentation, contact the Inter- University Coordinator, Siran Nahabedian at 398-1608 or email [iuc.cdass@mcgill.ca](mailto:iuc.cdass@mcgill.ca) for details.*

## NEW CDAS FELLOWS FALL 2002 ~ NOUVEAUX MEMBRES DU CERD AUTOMNE 2002

The Centre for Developing-Area Studies would like to welcome its new Fellows to the CDAS community. The complete list of CDAS Fellows is available on our website: [www.mcgill.ca/cdas](http://www.mcgill.ca/cdas).

Le Centre d'études sur les régions en développement aimerait souhaiter la bienvenue aux nouveaux membres du CERD. Une liste complète de nos membres est disponible sur notre site internet [www.mcgill.ca/cdas](http://www.mcgill.ca/cdas).

### **J. Diane Cousineau, *Associate Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, Humanities, Concordia

**Interests:** "Ordering Development: Jamaica, Caricom and Cotonou- A Systems Approach to Regionalism"

### **Wolfram Dressler, *Student Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, McGill, Department of Geography

**Interests:** Focuses on social justice through empowerment of marginalized peoples by examining how conservation leads to economic differentiation and marginalization.

### **Julie Drolet, *Student Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, McGill, School of Social Work

**Interests:** Women's Experience in micro-credit projects (Egypt and Mexico)

### **William Garcia, *Associate Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, Concordia, Humanities

**Interests:** Public Education System in Colombia, after 1991 (Constitutional reform)

### **J. Andrew Grant, *Associate Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, Dalhousie University, Department of Political Science

**Interests:** An examination of the prospects for global regimes as a means to promote human security, development and good governance with respect to diamond resources in Angola and Sierra Leone.

### **Huicheng (Annie) Gu, *Student Fellow***

**Program:** Masters of Arts, McGill, Department of Sociology

**Interests:** Globalization, Labor market and Inequality in Asian Developing Countries

### **Isabelle Hachette, *Associate Fellow***

**Program :** Masters in Public Administration, ENAP (École Nationale d'Administration Publique)

**Interests:** Durabilité des projets communautaires: Asie du Sud Est et Afrique de Grands Lacs

### **Michael Alexander Innes, *Associate Fellow***

**Program :** Masters of Arts, Concordia, Department of History

**Interests:** "The Seditious Roaring of a Troubled Nation: Radio Broadcasting and Ethnic Conflict in Liberia, 1980-1997"

### **Cláudio Medeiros, *Associate Fellow***

**Program:** Guest Director, UC Berkeley/ Visiting Instructor, Middlebury College, Dept. of Theatre and Dance, PhD candidate

**Interests:** The Representation of male homosexuality in modern Brazilian drama

**Jason Paiement, *Student Fellow***

**Program:** PhD, McGill, Department of Anthropology

**Interests:** Indigenous land rights in Panama

**Maila Dinia Husni Rahiem, *Student Fellow***

**Program:** Master of Arts in Culture and Value in Education, McGill, Department of Integrated Study in Education

**Interests:** Sex education in Islamic Society

**Berna Turam, *Associate Fellow***

**Program:** Assistant Professor, Queen's University, Department of Sociology

**Interests:** "My major research project is on a moderate Islamic movement which is organised and institutionalized not only in Turkey and the Turkic Central Asian countries but also in the West. I look at the interaction between Turkic Islam and the secular states. I... have found shifting linkages between the state and Islam in the post-Soviet era... and I analyze this interaction at various levels such as ethnicity, gender and education."

## Congratulations to Professors Rex Brynen and Myron Echenberg

*We would like to congratulate two long-time faculty members of CDAS: Professor Rex Brynen of the Political Science Department and Professor Myron Echenberg of the History Department for their recent appointments as Full Professors.*

## CDAS FELLOWS RESEARCH / RECHERCHES DES MEMBRES DU CERD

**Pascal Musulay Mukonde, membre associé, a été** invité par le gouvernement de la RDC en qualité d'Expert en matière des droits de la personne à la Conférence nationale sur les droits humains en juin 2001. À ce titre, il a participé à la rédaction de la Charte Congolaise des droits de l'homme et du peuple. En plus, il a pris parti à la Conférence sur la Charte démocratique de l'Amérique à Montréal, au colloque organisé en mai 2002 par l'ACDI sur le Nouveau Partenariat pour le Développement de l'Afrique (NEPAD); au colloque organisé par la Fondation Paul Gérin-Lajoie dans le cadre de l'éducation pour tous et de la lutte contre la pauvreté et aux rencontres officielles tenues à Ottawa avec le Premier Ministre Jean Chrétien et de Hauts fonctionnaires du gouvernement canadien.

**Manuel Poitras, Associate Fellow** is currently working on final revisions to his doctoral dissertation, titled "Engineering Genomes, Engineering Societies? Genetic Imperialism and the Politics of Biotechnology in Mexico". He is also co-editor of a book entitled "Food for the Few: Neoliberal Globalism and Agricultural Biotechnology in Latin America" to be published next year.

**Julie Caouette, Student Fellow** and Masters Student in the Department of Psychology presented and attended two Conferences in June 2002: The 10<sup>th</sup> Ontario Symposium: Culture and Social Behaviour at the end of June 2002 and the 2002 SPSSI Convention (The Society for the Psychological Study of Social Issues): "Understanding and Addressing Disparities: International Approaches" in Toronto. She has also co-authored two new publications

including: "Variability in the Stage of Guilt: A Stage Model" and "Positioning Theory and the Theory of Self".

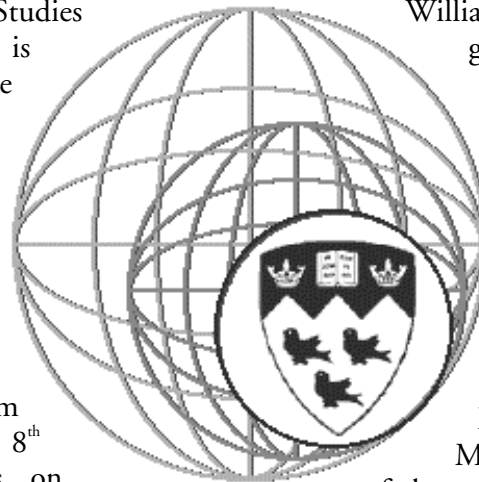
**Ihab Hashim, Associate Fellow** from **Université de Montréal** has been invited to attend the International Atomic Energy Agency's (IAEA) conference on research activities that are being performed at the Semipalatinsk Test Site (STS) in Vienna, Austria. One of the issues of concern are risk perception studies regarding radiation fallout among the inhabitants of the Semipalatinsk region.

**Crystal Procyshen** is looking forward to another year as a **CDAS Student Fellow**. Currently, she is writing her MA thesis on the role of bargaining in state-Islamist relations. She recently presented a paper at the Society for Military and Strategic Studies in Calgary, and in November is coordinating a roundtable for the Conference of Defense Associations in Ottawa. She is also the Director of The Adventure Project, which can be viewed online at [www3.sympatico.ca/deserttrek](http://www3.sympatico.ca/deserttrek).

**Jackie Kirk, Student Fellow** and PhD candidate in the Faculty of Education at McGill recently returned from Kampala, Uganda after attending the 8<sup>th</sup> International Disciplinary Congress on Women entitled, *Gendered Worlds: Gains and Challenges*. This conference, organized by the Department for Gender and Women's Studies at Makerere University, Kampala, was a landmark event for African women especially as it brought together over 2000 academics, practitioners and grass-roots partners in 5 days of workshops, presentations, events and other activities around different themes of concern to women. Jackie, along with her colleagues in the Gender and Human Security Issues (GHSI) Project, **Claudia Mitchell** and **Stephanie Garrow** gave a presentation entitled "Opening up critical spaces: Using feminist and post-colonial analysis to explore some current education challenges", organized a workshop on "Models and Methods: Mapping Innovative Partnerships for Girls' Education in Uganda", and had a very productive meeting with the GHSI Project partner organization, the East African Sub-regional Support Initiative for the Advancement

of Women (EASSI). Aside from completing her thesis and applying for post-doc fellowships, Jackie is working on the GHSI project, and on a theatre-based education project on children and armed conflict.

**Minakshi Menon, Associate Fellow**, and PhD candidate at Harvard is engaged in writing her dissertation entitled "Empire, Nature and Natural History: British Science and Colonial Policy in Early Nineteenth Century Malabar." Her research brings together the agendas of two distinct disciplines, history of science and South Asian history in a micro-historical study of the construction of a natural history for a part of south-west India conquered by the British in the late eighteenth century. She did extensive field work for this project in archives and libraries in Britain and India. She is also working on the botanical writings of the British Orientalist Sir William Jones and on the early British geologists who were attached to the Survey of India.

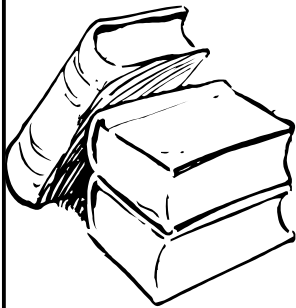


Between February and June 2002, **Manal Jamal, Student Fellow and Intern for the Gender and Human Security Program**, was in El Salvador conducting research for her doctoral dissertation. Her research included a number of interviews with donors, grassroots leaders and directors of NGOs. Manal's research deals with the impact of donor assistance on civil society and state-society relations in "post-conflict situations." This research is part of a comparative study between El Salvador and Palestine.

Cet été, **Judith Chafoya, membre associée** et présidente du Centre de coopération avec El Salvador a eu l'occasion de visiter la petite municipalité de San Julian au Salvador. Le Centre de coopération avec El Salvador a été appelé former à le comité d'urgence S.O.S. El Salvador lequel, en collaboration avec Alternatives, a aidé cette municipalité avec l'achat de terres qui ont servi à la construction de 65 logements dans la communauté El Milagro (Le Miracle). En plus, nous avons contribué à l'achat d'autres terres pour continuer la reconstruction. Durant notre visite, nous avons été accueillis par le maire de la ville qui nous a présenté les différents projets qui se déroulent dans la région ainsi que les besoins qui persistent surtout dans le domaine de la santé et de l'éducation.

## ANNOUNCEMENT: Labour, Capital and Society, vol. 34, no.1

Including articles by Ronaldo Munck entitled, "Globalization, Regionalism and Labour", Dennis Canterbury on "Labour and Non-Wage Benefits" and Sam Noumoff on "Globalization and the Marginalized". Please contact Suzanne Boutin, at [pub.cdas@mcgill.ca](mailto:pub.cdas@mcgill.ca), for orders or information.



### RECENT PUBLICATIONS BY CDAS MEMBERS

We are pleased to announce the publication of **Professor Myron Echenberg's** book *Black Death, White Medicine: Bubonic Plague and the Politics of Public Health in Colonial Senegal, 1914-1945*. (Portsmouth, NH: Heinemann, 2002) as part of the "Social History of Africa Series".

Congratulations to **Marietta Bucheli**, Associate Fellow, and a Ph.D candidate at the Université de Sherbrooke, who recently published three articles in the following book available at the CDAS Gutkind library:

Silva, Juan, Manuel Silva and Dávila L. de G Ricardo (Compiladores y editores). *Gestión y desarrollo: la experiencia de las cooperativas en Colombia*. Colombia: Pontificia Universidad Javeriana 415p.

**Pascal Musulay Mukonde**, **membre associé** du CERD, a produit trois articles pendant l'été 2002 suivants :

« Le Nouveau Partenariat pour le Développement de l'Afrique : une opportunité d'affaires pour tous ». Article paru dans *Le Devoir*, le vendredi 21 juin 2002

" Le droit à la santé, le Nouveau Partenariat pour le Développement de l'Afrique (NEPAD) et le G8", Article paru sur le site du Centre d'études du droit international et de la mondialisation de l'Université du Québec à Montréal : [www.cedim.uqam.ca/santé](http://www.cedim.uqam.ca/santé)

" La Charte africaine des droits de l'homme et des peuples : historique, contenu et application des nouvelles techniques de mise en œuvre des droits de la personne ", dans A. L. Ntetu, (dir.) *L'après-guerre en Afrique des Grands Lacs*, les Actes du 69<sup>e</sup> Congrès de l'Acfas du 14 au 17 mai 2001 à l'Université de Sherbrooke, Chicoutimi, **GRIR**, Université du Québec à Chicoutimi, 2002, p. 107-113.

## LES NOUVELLES DE NOTRE CHERCHEURE PRINCIPALE AU CERD

Faisant suite à ces recherches sur l'application de la sécurité humaine dans le cadre des programmes d'aide canadiens, **Myriam Gervais**, chercheure principale au CERD, participe au suivi de six projets de développement communautaire en appui aux populations relocalisées au Rwanda. A ce titre, elle a séjourné au Rwanda en mars et avril 2002 et a concentré ses recherches sur les aspects liés à la bonne gouvernance et au mode de fonctionnement des groupements et associations appuyés par les projets. Myriam Gervais a donné une conférence intitulée « *Lutte contre la pauvreté, décentralisation et projets de développement au Rwanda* » dans le cadre du

Colloque "Réformes institutionnelles, stratégies de lutte contre la pauvreté et espaces politiques", organisé par le Centre d'études sur le droit international et la mondialisation (CEDIM) à l'UQAM, le 10 mai 2002. Elle a également participé aux travaux de la Table de concertation du Rwanda et du Burundi en présentant une conférence sur le cadre stratégique de réduction de la pauvreté au Rwanda. Elle est aussi l'auteure d'une note de recherche sur la sécurité humaine publié dans le cadre de la série *CDAS Discussion Papers* (mai 2002).

**Come for Chai time ~ Venez pour la pause « chai »**

Every Wednesday at 3:15 pm ~ *Chaque mercredi à 15h15*



Researchers, fellows, faculty & visitors are invited to the CDAS for tea, coffee and informal discussion.

*Les chercheurs, les membres, les professeurs et les visiteurs sont invités au CERD pour un moment de discussion informelle autour d'un thé et d'un café.*



### CONFERENCE: GLOBALIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT PROBLEMS

5<sup>th</sup> International Meeting of Economists

10-14 February 2003

International Conference Center



## CALL FOR PAPERS: Labour Movements in Neoliberal Latin America

Viviana Patroni and Manuel Poitras, co-editors  
Special issue of *LABOUR, Capital & Society* [www.mcgill.ca/labour](http://www.mcgill.ca/labour)

With the demise of the corporatist regimes in Latin America following the world crisis of capital accumulation of the 1970s and the subsequent debt crisis of the 1980s, labour movements faced a number of challenges, such as the undermining or severance of the privileged links between official labour and governments, a process of adjustment that in many cases weakened the structural position of labour, and new labour laws removing much of the protection gained through corporatism. Moreover, the 1980s saw the rise of the so-called new social movements, which according to some views eclipsed working class politics and the power of labour unions. Nonetheless, emerging new labour organisations have struggled to reassert more democratic and autonomous union practices and to position themselves as key actors in the construction of alternatives to neoliberalism. This special issue of *LABOUR, Capital & Society* will seek to analyse these new developments and offer a current perspective on the prospects for labour movements in neo-liberal Latin America.

We seek to cover a range of countries, perspectives and issues. Some of the issues to be covered are:

- labour activism: what have been the strategies pursued by labour movements in the face of privatisation and corporate restructuring?
- membership and democratization of labour movements: how have labour movements adapted to the fall of corporatism in their internal structure?
- labour-government relations: cooperation, cooptation, confrontation?
- relations with other labour organizations and with other social movements
- organizing informal sector workers and the unemployed
- regionalization and internationalization of Latin American labour movements

Please send a 250-word abstract of your proposed article and a 1-2 page resume or C.V. by November 15th, 2002. Authors will be notified of our deliberation by December 1st, 2002. In case the abstract is selected, authors will be asked to submit the entire paper, which should not exceed 8,000 words, by February 1st, 2003. Submitted papers will be subjected to an external review process on the basis of which final selection will be made by March 31, 2003. Abstracts may be submitted in English, French, Spanish or Portuguese and articles can be submitted in English and French.

Your proposals should be sent to both co-editors by e-mail, in virus-scanned Word or PDF: **Viviana Patroni**, Associate Professor in the Division of Social Science at York University and Director of CERLAC. Email: [vpatroni@yorku.ca](mailto:vpatroni@yorku.ca). **Manuel Poitras**, Associate Editor of *Labour, Capital and Society*. Email: [mpoitras@yorku.ca](mailto:mpoitras@yorku.ca).

Watch for more about the Conference in February 2003 on:

### “Hemispheric Civil Society”

which will bring together academics, activists and policy-makers from the Americas. CDAS has received funding from DFAIT’s John Holmes Fund for the Conference.

## CDAS STAFF AND RESEARCHERS ~ EMPLOYÉS ET LES CHERCHEURS DU CERD

### **Iain Blair** *Documentalist*

Iain Blair is a professional librarian with degrees from UBC and McGill, and is a member of the Corporation of Professional Librarians of Quebec. Mr. Blair has been the CDAS Documentalist since 1990.

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### **Suzanne Boutin** *Program Coordinator, Gender and Human Security Issues Program*

Suzanne Boutin a fait sa Maitrise en philosophie à l’Université de Concordia. Elle est présentement Coordinatrice du programme *Genre et enjeux human sécurité* et en charge de la distribution de la revue *Travail, capital et société*.

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### **Fariba Dashtgard** *Administrative Assistant*

Fariba completed her undergraduate degree at McGill in International Development and African Studies. She has been working at CDAS since August in the position of CDAS Administrative Assistant. In addition, she is the researcher on children and armed conflict for an independent project entitled: *Children’s Voices: Raising Awareness About Children and War*.

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### **Minakshi Menon** *Fellows Coordinator*

Minakshi is presently working on her ongoing project on the natural history writings of the British Orientalist William Jones. She will also be presenting a paper in Anglo-Indian geology that she began at Harvard at the History of Science Society’s annual meeting in Milwaukee in November.

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### **Siran Nahabedian** *Montreal Inter-University Initiative Coordinator*

Siran completed her Masters degree at McGill in Political Science on Indigenous Movements in Bolivia and Ecuador. Since the end of the summer, she has been coordinating inter-university activities such as the internship program, faculty seminars and the CDAS website as part of the Montreal Inter-University Initiative Program funded by the IDRC.

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### **Manuel Poitras** *Associate Editor, Labour, Capital and Society/ Travail, Capital et Société*

Manuel is a doctoral candidate in Political Science at York University, Toronto. He is currently in residence at CDAS, doing final revisions on his dissertation entitled: "Engineering Genomes, Engineering Societies? Genetic

Imperialism and the Politics of Biotechnology in Mexico". He is also working as Associate Editor for the journal *LABOUR Capital & Society*.  
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