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**CELEBRATING CDAS' 40th ANNIVERSARY 1963-2003**



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

The cold of winter does not seem to have lessened the research activities at CDAS. Nine new Fellows have joined us this term and I extend a warm welcome to them. I also wish to welcome our visitors from Latin America who have come for the CDAS Conference on Hemispheric Civil Society to debate with other academics, activists, and practitioners concerning the Americas, globalization and social movements. The full program of this event from 19-21 February is available on our website. Special thanks to CDAS Fellows Renata Rubian and Diane Cousineau for organizing this event. We are also looking forward to a special panel in March on "Contemporary Islamic Movements in the Middle East" organized by Fariba Dashtgard and Crystal Procyshen featuring scholars from the Montreal community.

The Montreal Inter-university Initiative on International Development described in the following pages continues with a host of activities. The Graduate Interns' interaction with staff and Fellows provides an important dimension to our wider Montreal-based research community. Other research endeavours by CDAS Fellows listed in this Newsletter attest to the diversity of our activities and agenda. I extend congratulations to the many researchers of CDAS who have published new books and articles contributing to debates on international development. We were particularly pleased to see a Spanish edition of our earlier work on transdisciplinarity published by Pontificia Universidad Javeriana and edited by two Colombian colleagues. I also believe that the continued work of Prof. Michel Chossudovsky deserves special recognition as we confront the difficult task of opposing any war on the people of Iraq. Over 20,000 Montrealers marched in the cold on 18 January to say "no" to war, and "yes" to peace.

We are looking forward to an even greater number for the march on 15 February.

Finally, I wish to thank our two Visiting Professors, Daniel Haile and Qudrat-e-Khoda, who will soon be departing for Kenya and Japan, respectively, for their rich contribution to the CDAS over the past year. We wish them well and look forward to continued cooperation with them.

**Dr. Rosalind Boyd**  
Director

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CDAS is Celebrating its 40th Anniversary 1963-2003  
Watch for upcoming CDAS events throughout the year



**“ Hemispheric Civil Society  
Conference”\***

Feb 19-21, 2003,

At McGill

University

Leacock, 232

A forum for discussion featuring noted speakers from  
Latin America and Canada

\*The Centre acknowledges the support of the Canadian Centre for Foreign Policy Development (CCFPD), through the John Holmes Fund

Watch for more about CDAS' Panel Discussion on

**Contemporary Islamic Movements  
in the Middle East**

**March 12, 2003 at CDAS**

**Featuring the following Speakers :**

**Dr. John Asfour**, Former Director of the Canadian Arab Federation

**Professor Rex Brynen**, Political Science, McGill University & Research Coordinator of the Inter-University Consortium for Arab and Middle Eastern Studies

**Professor Homa Hoodfar**, Sociology and Anthropology, Concordia University

**Professor Joelle Zahar**, Political Science, l'Université de Montréal

And more.

Contact CDAS at [adm.cdais@mcgill.ca](mailto:adm.cdais@mcgill.ca) or at 398-3507 for more details.

Congratulations to *Tim Brodhead*, CEO and President of the McConnell Family Foundation as well as longtime supporter of CDAS for receiving the Order of Canada

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

Le programme GESH dirigé conjointement par le CERD et le Centre des femmes de Montréal (CFM) avec la collaboration de leurs partenaires poursuit sa recherche-action. En ce début de quatrième et dernière année de fonctionnement, les efforts se portent à livrer les conclusions. Des projets de conférences, de livres et d'articles, de guides sont en vue.

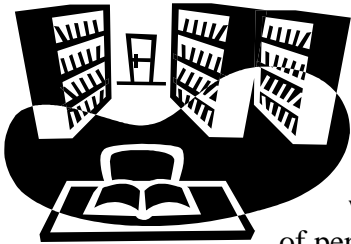
Au niveau des événements spéciaux, il faut mentionner la journée d'atelier intitulée « *Over There and Over Here* » organisée par Claudia Mitchell (partenaire dans le programme) avec la contribution de Jackie Kirk (candidate au doctorat). L'atelier, qui a eu lieu en novembre 2002 à l'Université McGill, visait à réunir les différent(e)s intervenant(e)s de la région de Montréal qui travaillent auprès des jeunes filles et adolescentes issues de famille d'immigrant(e)s et de réfugié(e)s. Au cours de cette journée l'approche participative a été explorée dans son application tant ici et dans d'autres pays. La journée a remporté un vif succès.

*Le programme GESH bénéficie d'une subvention du Conseil de recherche en Sciences humaines (CRSH) du Canada dans le cadre de son programme Alliance 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 is Québec's only academic research library on the developing world and North-South relations. Particular strengths of our collection include labour issues, sustainable development, women and gender issues and alternatives to development. 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 come regularly 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 one of our newest periodicals received on exchange: the *Asian and Pacific Migration Journal* from the Philippines. Participants in the February 2003 Hemispheric Civil Society Conference will also be interested in Professor Michel Chossudovsky's latest book, *War and Globalisation: The Truth Behind September 11* (2002) and a new periodical, *Global Outlook*, with a pronounced interest in economic globalization and the "War on Terror".

The Gutkind Library will remain open throughout the winter from 10 am to 5 pm, Tuesday to Friday. For any reference questions or further information, please do not hesitate to contact the librarian at 398-3509, or via email at [doc.cdas@mcgill.ca](mailto:doc.cdas@mcgill.ca)

*~Iain Blair, Librarian at CDAS*

## **Montreal Publications of Interest**

« **La Solidarité internationale** » dans *La revue Nouvelles pratiques sociales*, vol.15, no.1, 2002.

Disponible aux Presses de l'Université du Québec

« **L'exclusion : Changement de cap** » *Sociologie et sociétés*, vol. 33, no. 2, automne 2001.

Disponible aux Presses de l'Université de Montréal

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

*The Montreal Inter-University Initiative in International Development Studies* is in 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 also develop an aspect of their thesis through CDAS methodology workshops and other resources.

### STAGIAIRES AU CERD ~ CDAS INTERNS

The graduate interns have now completed their research papers, which have been developed using their thesis and CDAS methodology workshops and research assistance. These papers will be presented at the CDAS in March before being submitted for publication as part of the CDAS discussion paper series in April. These papers are:

#### “**The Logic of Biomedicine in Rural Punjab**”

Mandip Basi, Master's of Social and Cultural Anthropology candidate, Concordia University

#### “**Housing, Development and Cultural Resistance: the amaXhosa of East London, South Africa**”

Jean D'Aragon, PhD candidate in Architecture, McGill University

#### «**Marginalité et fragilité de la prostituée**»

Chantale Robillard, PhD candidate in Anthropology, Université de Montréal

### SEMINAR SERIES ~ SÉRIE DE SÉMINAIRES

A highlight of this year's internship program was a collaborative effort to host a panel discussion entitled, “Bridging the Gap in Development: Academics and Activists” on February 6<sup>th</sup>. **Dolores Chew**, Professor of History and Humanities at Marionopolis College and President of CERAS (South Asia Centre) gave a presentation on “**Books and Barricades: Can Academia and Activism be Two Sides to the Same Coin?**”. She was followed by **Boniface Bahi**, Doctorat en anthropologie et chargé de cours à la faculté d'étude permanente, Université de Montréal, who presented “**Être scientifique et citoyen: réflexion autour de la frontière**”. Finally, the day of debate concluded with **Shree Mulay**, Professor at the Faculty of Medicine, McGill University, and Director of the McGill Centre for Research and Teaching on Women with a presentation entitled, « **Research for Action : Community and University Alliance** ».

The interns also benefitted this year from two workshops hosted by **Prof. John Zucchi**, from the Department of History at McGill University on book publishing and the second by **Prof. Victor Armony** from the Department of Sociology at UQAM who hosted, for the second year, a workshop on research methodology.

This semester, the CDAS *Inter-University Faculty Seminar Series in International Development* will host five 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.

The year started out with a seminar by **Anne Saris**, Consultant at the International Bureau for Children's Rights, in a talk entitled, “Les enfants victimes et témoins de crime: Que peut faire une organisation non

gouvernementale?”. This was followed by CDAS’ Adjunct Professor, **Dr. Izzud-Din Pal** who gave a seminar on “Pakistan: From Martial Law to Pseudo-Democracy.” During the month of February, **Professor Rodolphe De Koninck**, Chaire de recherche en études asiatiques à l’Université de Montréal, presented, “Les perils de la transition agraire dans le sud-est asiatique”. During the month of March, we have scheduled the following seminar:

- **7 March Professor Sandra Hyde**, « Borders, Diseases, and the Tai Imaginary : The Rise of HIV/AIDS in Southwest China »

*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.cdas@mcgill.ca](mailto:iuc.cdas@mcgill.ca) for details.*

## **NEW CDAS FELLOWS WINTER 2003 ~ NOUVEAUX MEMBRES DU CERD HIVER 2003**

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).

### **Professor Jaleel Ahmad, Inter-University Faculty Fellow**

Program: Professor, Concordia University, Department of Economics.  
Interests: Economic Development.

### **Omar Ashour, Student Fellow**

Program: PhD, McGill University, Department of Political Science.  
Interests: Middle East and post-Soviet Russia/Caucasus/Central Asia; peace, democracy and human rights in these regions.

### **Joëlle Bouopda Fopoussi, Associate Fellow**

Program: PhD, University of Montpellier, France; Department of Economics.  
Interests: Informal economy in Sub-Saharan Africa.

### **Hossein Hooshmand, Associate Fellow**

Program: MA, Concordia University, History and Philosophy of Religion.  
Interests: Epistemology of Religious Belief: Objection on Reformed Epistemology

### **Professor Amparo Jiménez, Inter-University Faculty Fellow**

Program: Professor, Université du Québec à Montréal, École des sciences de la gestion.  
Interests: Public-private partnerships in Latin America.

### **Shariful Islam Khandaker, Associate Fellow**

Program: Lecturer (currently on leave), Dhaka University, Bangladesh.  
Interests: Public Policy in Bangladesh and other developing countries

### **Bruce Mabley, Associate Fellow**

Program: LLD, Laval University, Faculty of Law.  
Interests: Islamic Law and Development.

**Sven-Erik Paloheimo, Associate Fellow**

Program: MA, McGill University, Institute of Islamic Studies.  
Interests: Early models of Islamic governance.

**Professor Emmanuel Raufflet, Inter-University Faculty Fellow**

Program: Assistant Professor, HEC/ Management  
Interests: Links between management and development, with a particular focus on Mexico.

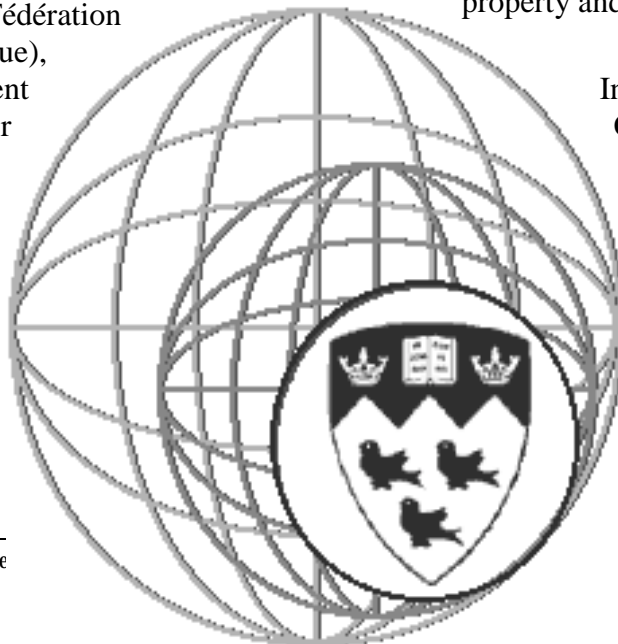
## CDAS FELLOWS RESEARCH / RECHERCHES DES MEMBRES DU CERD

**Minakshi Menon** is the **Fellows Coordinator** and a PhD student at Harvard University. She is presently working on her ongoing project on the natural history writings of the British Orientalist William Jones. You can contact her at [minakshimenon@hotmail.com](mailto:minakshimenon@hotmail.com) or at 398-3507.

Félicitations à **Victor Armony, membre faculté inter- universitaire**, pour ses deux publications en 2002 : 1) «Populisme et néopopulisme en Argentine : de Perón à Menem», *Politique et sociétés* (Association québécoise de science politique), vol. 21, n° 2, p. 51-77 ; et 2) Armony, Victor (2002) : « "El país que nos merecemos": mitos identitarios en el discurso político argentino », *deSignis* (Fédération latino-américaine de sémiotique), n° 2, p. 319-330. Il a également reçu une subvention pour 2002-2003 du Conseil international d'études canadiennes, pour travailler avec Itesh Sachdev (Birkbeck College, University of London) sur le thème de la réponse de la société civile à l'intégration hémisphérique.

Congratulations also to **Dolores Chew, Associate Fellow** and Professor of History and Humanities at Marionopolis College as well as the President of CERAS (South Asia Centre) for being awarded a Faculty Research Fellowship from the Shastri Indo-Canadian Institute. She will spend this summer in India, researching the social dimensions of legal decisions in 19th century Bengal that involved property and inheritance rights of women.

In addition to helping to organize CDAS' own "Hemispheric Civil Society Conference", **Diane Cousineau, Associate Fellow** from Concordia's Dept. of Humanities also participated in the Forum International de Montreal (FIM) Global Governance 2002 Conference, ("GO2" October 13-16, 2002) as a workshop leader, presenting on "Regions:



Building Blocks for Cooperation?" Diane has just completed her course work and comprehensive exams and hopes to start research on her PhD thesis, "Ordering Development: Jamaica, Caricom and Cotonou- A Systems Approach to Regionalism".

**Julie Drolet, Student Fellow** from McGill's School of Social Work has just had a paper proposal accepted for presentation at an international conference to be held in March 2003 in Cholula, Puebla, Mexico, on "Ethical and Moral Issues Related to Gender and Diversity in International Education". The title of her abstract will be "Testimonials from Women Participating in Micro Credit Programs". Drolet is also planning to do a post-doc on the restructuring of social programs in Canada and France next year.

CDAS recently welcomed the visit of two longtime and much-missed **Associate Fellows, Alberto Flórez-Malagon and Margarita Lopez-Garcia**. We would like to extend our congratulations to Margarita, who was granted her Doctorate in Political Science by Laval University in December. Alberto, a professor with Javeriana Pontifical University in Bogotá, donated to the CDAS a copy of his recently published volume, *Desafíos de la transdisciplinariedad* (Alberto G. Flórez-Malagon and Carmen Millán de Benavides, eds., Bogotá, Centro Editorial Javeriano, 2002) which results largely from the conference held at CDAS in 1999. Contributors to the Spanish-language volume include CDAS Fellows Myron Frankman and Rosalind Boyd. Readers should also note that the complete papers of this conference, *Social Sciences and Transdisciplinarity: Latin American and Canadian Experiences*, were published in English as a CDAS monograph and are available from our publications section.

**Martin Gallié, membre associé**, est doctorant en droit international à l'Université de Montréal. Il étudie l'accord de Cotonou et s'intéresse plus particulièrement aux relations entre l'Union européenne et le Rwanda. Il doit partir cet été pour deux mois à Bruxelles afin de préparer son séjour au Rwanda à l'automne 2003. Il est par ailleurs, agent de recherche en droit international pénal à l'Université de Montréal. La responsabilité pénale des gouvernants constitue son principal axe de

recherche dans ce domaine. En plus, il vient de publier, « Droit à la santé et coopération – L'exemple de l'accord de Cotonou », Centre d'études sur le droit international et la mondialisation, [www.cedim.uqam.ca](http://www.cedim.uqam.ca).

**J. Andrew Grant, Associate Fellow**, represented the CDAS at the Fourth Annual Global Development Conference in Cairo, Egypt, on 19-21 January 2003. The conference brought together researchers from the developing world to share their ideas, methods, data, and results on development issues as well as the conference theme, "Globalization and Equity." More than five hundred participants attended the conference, and speakers included: Atef Ebeid, Prime Minister of Egypt; Benjamin Mpaka, President of Tanzania; and Ernesto Zedillo, former President of Mexico. Grant presented a paper entitled "Turning the Crimson Tide? The Role of New Technologies in the Efforts to Establish a Global Regime on Blood Diamonds" at the 45th Annual Meeting of the African Studies Association (ASA), in Washington, DC, on 7 December 2002. Grant has also published two articles this year entitled, 1) "Angola's Ashes: The Legacy of Dirty Oil, Blood Diamonds, and Government Graft", in Sandra J. MacLean, H. John Harker and Timothy M. Shaw (eds.), *Advancing Human Security and Development in Africa: Reflections on NEPAD* and 2) Grant (with Sandra J. MacLean and Timothy M. Shaw), "Emerging Transnational Coalitions around Diamonds and Oil in Civil Conflicts in Africa", in Marjorie Griffin Cohen and Stephen McBride (eds.), *Global Turbulence: Social Activists' and State Responses to Globalization*.

**Kashif Hasnie, Associate Fellow** is working as a Visiting Scholar at The University of Chicago Program in International Politics, Economics and Security (PIPES). His new research areas include: "Freedom of mind" and "Post-colonial political theories". In addition, Kashif has recently critiqued *The Clash of Civilizations* by Sam Huntington at The University of Chicago Law School Annual Conference on Human Rights. Kashif also presented at the South Asian Law School Association (SALSA) annual conference,

held at Northwestern University Law School in Chicago.

Besides writing her dissertation on social movements in Palestine and El Salvador, **Manal Jamal, Student Fellow** at McGill University, recently presented a paper at the Middle East Studies Association entitled "The Demobilization of Palestinian Grassroots Organizations: Social Movement Theory Revisited."

**Jeanne-Marie Peltzer, Associate Fellow**, étudiante à l'Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM) au département de science politique (relations internationales, coopération et développement), a soumis un document intitulé: "Les Québécois(e)s d'origine afro-caraïbe et leur processus d'intégration dans la société québécoise". Elle l'a présenté aux autorités politiques de l'Action démocratique (ADQ) en novembre 2002. Le document est disponible au CERD.

Congratulations to **Dr. Manuel Poitras, Associate Fellow**, who recently completed his PhD in Political Science at York University entitled: "Engineering Genomes, Engineering Societies? Genetic Imperialism and the Politics of Biotechnology in Mexico". He is also a sessional lecturer at the Université d'Ottawa.

**Crystal Procyshen, Student Fellow**, is currently completing her MA thesis on the role of bargaining in state-Islamist relations and is pleased to be co-

coordinator of a CDAS panel on Contemporary Islamist Movements. She has recently been awarded the Rotary World Peace Scholarship and will be studying for an MA in cross-cultural education (2003-05). Additionally, she is continuing her positions as director of a nonprofit for international research expeditions, The Adventure Project, and member of the Charter of Social Responsibility steering committee.

**Maila Dinia Husni Raheim, Student Fellow**, is completing her Masters at McGill University. She is conducting research on Sexuality education in Indonesian society and is currently focussing on the relationship between Western and Indonesian history in sexuality dating back to the Victorian era. Maila also attended a conference last fall in Washington D.C. about the role of Indonesian students in North American universities involved in public diplomacy. She attended as President of the Association of Indonesian Students in Montreal and gave a presentation on how Montrealers and Canadian students treat Indonesians (nationals of the biggest muslim country in the world) following September 11th and the Bali Bombing. The conference also dealt with issues of US government policy toward Muslims in airports and the difficulties in obtaining US visas. All the participants of the conference were Chairpersons of Indonesian Students Associations in Canada and the US.

## CDAS STAFF ~ EMPLOYÉS 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 Maîtrise en philosophie à l'Université de Concordia. Elle est présentement coordonnatrice du programme *Genre et enjeux de sécurité humaine* 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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**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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**Renata Rubian Rodrigues de Araujo** *Conference Coordinator*

Renata has completed her Masters in the Department of Political Science at McGill focusing on the performance gap between the World Bank's policies and operations, looking at the case of environmental reform and comparing it with the institutionalization of participatory development in the Bank-funded projects. She is the Coordinator at CDAS for the Hemispheric Civil Society Conference to be held in February 2003.

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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*

