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EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S INTRODUCTION

Professor Armine Ishkanian

In 2022, we marked the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity (AFSEE) programme at the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE). Over the course of the academic year, we have spent time reflecting on the road traversed as well as the path ahead. From our rigorous curriculum to our robust governance structures and innovative lifelong offerings, AFSEE is now a well-established programme at the LSE International Inequalities Institute (III). As we further move to consolidate and build on our achievements which aim to create fairer, healthier, and more inclusive societies, as a programme we remain committed to always being reflexive and open to learning and adapting. Here is a summary of key events and highlights for the 2022/23 academic year.



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OUR GOVERNANCE

In September 2022, Dr Claire Gordon took over from Professor Mike Savage as chair of the AFSEE governing board, and three new members joined the board: Professor Naila Kabeer, Professor Susana Mourato and Dr Phuong Nhan Le. In January 2023, the board met for the first time in person and as this meeting was scheduled a day in advance of the AFSEE Leadership Summit, several board members also participated in that gathering.

In June 2023, we bid farewell to the AFSEE Senior Fellow representative, Saida Ali (Cohort 1) and welcomed Mohammed-Anwar Sadat Adam (Cohort 4) to the board. In addition to the governing board, AFSEE's work is also supported by the members of the Programme Committee, which is a consultative body that provides knowledge and expertise to the programme around key areas including the curriculum, programming and outreach. The AFSEE Programme Committee is comprised of core team members, our learning partners and Senior Fellows. We would like to thank the outgoing members of the 2022/23 AFSEE Programme Committee for their hard work and service: Crystal Dicks (Atlantic Fellows for Health Equity in South Africa, TEKANO), Dr Paul Segal (King's College London), and Senior Fellows Chris Choong Weng Wai (Cohort 4), Georgia Haddad Nicolau (Cohort 4), Renata Cuk (Cohort 2), and Sebastian Bock (Cohort 1).

OUR PROGRAMME

AFSEE's curriculum is comprised of four distinct modules that flow, build and inform each other as well as a learning arc that provides a cohesive and integrated learning journey. Through these modules, Fellows are introduced to the latest research and thinking on global inequalities and responses to them that advance systemic change. The sixth cohort of AFSEE Fellows, who started their fellowship experience in September 2022 were the first since the pandemic began in 2020 to meet in person from the start of their fellowship. However, drawing some lessons from the pandemic and in a bid to limit our carbon footprint, AFSEE decided in 2021 that going forward, we would continue to host one of the four modules online.

To support learning and connections between current and Senior Fellows, we host Senior Fellow roundtables in each of the four modules. This year, we were happy to welcome the following Senior Fellows back to AFSEE: Louise Russell-Prywata (Cohort 1); James Muraguri, Anjali Sarker and Maureen Sigauke (Cohort 2); Viviana Osorio Perez, Imogen Richmond-Bishop, Oabona Sepora, and Irene Wakarindi (Cohort 4); and Sergio Chaparro Hernandez, Kruskaya Hidalgo Cordero, Ishrat Jahan and Jenny McEaney (Cohort 5). In Module 1, we were also very pleased to host a lecture on feminist economics by AFSEE Senior Fellow Masana Mulaudzi (Cohort 1) and during Module 4, we held a session on narratives and social change led by two Senior Fellows, Durkhanai Ayubi (Atlantic Fellows for Social Equity) and Dana Walrath (Atlantic Fellows for Equity in Brain Health) from our sister Atlantic Fellows programmes.

In May 2023 AFSEE's application to accredit the non-residential stream was approved by the LSE's Executive MSc committee. The accreditation will



Cohort 6 Fellows at Module 3 in April 2023

take effect in academic year 2024/25 and it will grant Fellows in the non-residential stream a Postgraduate Certificate in Social and Economic Equity (PG Cert SEE) with the value of two transferrable units. This postgraduate certificate will offer non-residential fellows' recognition for the level of work and learning they are doing on the programme. I thank Dr Sara Camacho Felix and Liza Ryan for their hard work on the accreditation process and also congratulate Sara on being awarded the LSE Student Union Teaching Award for Social Justice.

Recruitment for our seventh cohort began in October 2022 and was completed in March 2023. During the recruitment and outreach process, we worked with AFSEE Senior Fellow Ambassadors, who reached out to their regional networks and took part in informational webinars to support our outreach. The AFSEE Ambassadors in 2022/23 were:

- Africa: Fredrick Ouko Alucheli (Cohort 1) and Maureen Sigauke (Cohort 2)
- Asia (including the Pacific region): Ishrat Jahan (Cohort 5)

- Caribbean: Kevin Liverpool (Cohort 5)
- Latin America: Máximo Jaramillo-Molina (Cohort 4) and Mauro Fernández (Cohort 4)
- Middle East/North Africa: Georgia Haddad Nicolau (Cohort 4).

I would like to thank all of the AFSEE Ambassadors for their great efforts which contributed to the record number of applications AFSEE received – 656 in total.

We will continue with the AFSEE Ambassadors programme and have now recruited a new group of ambassadors to support us with outreach for our eighth cohort.



A LIFELONG FELLOWSHIP

Learning at AFSEE does not end when the active fellowship year ends. As our Senior Fellow community grows year-on-year, we are investing more resources in this area of work, including hiring new members of staff. Anastasia Nazaryan, Project Support Officer, and Grace Farrell-Twiney, Partnerships Manager, will work together with Asmaa Akhtar, Programme Manager for Global Engagement and Impact, to support the development and implementation of lifelong offerings to Senior Fellows.

From 13 to 15 January 2023, AFSEE hosted a three-day gathering of AFSEE Senior Fellows. The Leadership Summit was the first time that the entire community of AFSEE Senior Fellows had gathered in person since the fellowship launched in 2017. Alongside the Fellows, AFSEE staff and members of the AFSEE governing board also attended. The three days consisted of informative and interactive sessions, including Fellow-led fireside chats and skills-sharing sessions. In our commitment to accessibility and to building a caring community, AFSEE provided a creche for accompanying children. Based on the feedback, the summit was well-received and appreciated by the Fellows. A video of the summit highlights is available (see footnote for hyperlink).¹

The Incubation Labs, which were launched at the Leadership Summit, are an AFSEE pilot initiative that are intended to:

1. Encourage cross-cohort connections between Senior Fellows around shared areas of interest and work to nurture a stronger AFSEE community.
2. Foster and support impactful and innovative cross-cohort collaborative projects that are designed, led and implemented by AFSEE Senior Fellows.



AFSEE Senior Fellows and members of the AFSEE governing board at the Leadership Summit in January 2023

The AFSEE programme hopes that by supporting cross-cohort connections and collaborations via the Incubation Lab initiative, Senior Fellows will have greater opportunities to practise collective leadership, develop cross-cohort networks and further their thinking and expertise through peer-to-peer learning and exchanges.

LOOKING AHEAD

We live in a world of great adversity and trying circumstances, and having hope for a better future in such bleak times is not easy. Yet if we acknowledge that inequality is not inevitable, in other words, that it is not some physical law of nature such as gravity, then we know that it can be tackled, and that a fairer, healthier, and more inclusive world is possible.

¹ Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity, 'Highlights: AFSEE leadership summit 2023'. Published on YOUTUBE.COM.

WHO WE ARE

The AFSEE programme, based at the LSE, is building a catalytic, values-led global community of people who are committed to using collective leadership to work towards social and economic justice for all. By drawing on the insights of academic research, innovative social change strategies, and the Fellows' own experience and expertise, the AFSEE programme empowers a new generation of changemakers, including policymakers, activists, researchers, practitioners, and campaigners, to work together across disciplines, backgrounds, and borders.

Established with a landmark gift from The Atlantic Philanthropies in 2017, over a period of 20 years, the AFSEE programme will support more than 400 Fellows from both the Global South and Global North. Their active fellowship year centres on four key learning modules, designed to support their growth and development as leaders of social change. Residential Fellows

undertake an MSc in Inequalities and Social Science at LSE and participate in AFSEE modules, while non-residential Fellows remain in their home and professional environments, and travel to attend the modules while carrying out project work. Fellows are supported throughout the year by mentors and by the programme team.

AFSEE is one of seven Atlantic Fellows programmes, which together create a global community to advance fairer, healthier, and more inclusive societies. After finishing their active fellowship year, all Fellows become part of a connected community of changemakers and receive ongoing support from the Atlantic Institute throughout their careers with opportunities to meet, learn from one another, and connect with the global community of Fellows. Based in Oxford at Rhodes Trust, the Atlantic Institute amplifies the impact of the Atlantic Fellows network and helps promote lifelong community among Fellows. The Atlantic Philanthropies has invested over US\$600 million to support the work of this global network of thousands of Atlantic Fellows over the next two decades and beyond.

OUR VALUES

Fairness

Courage

Kindness

Curiosity

Commitment

AFSEE'S EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMME

OUR EDUCATIONAL VISION

The AFSEE programme retains its educational vision centred on three pillars: 1) development of a research-rich education, 2) fostering a dialogic pedagogy, and 3) reflection on professional practice to create global solidarity. This pedagogy is informed by both the works of Brazilian educator and philosopher Paulo Freire (1970) and American author, theorist and educator bell hooks (1994) on challenging banking models of education and envisioning education as a site to transgress.

AFSEE achieves its educational vision by supporting researchers and practitioners in working towards the creation of a more socially and economically equitable world. This means engaging with research that is meaningful across contexts to understand the causes and consequences of inequalities and to act for justice. We do this by fostering dialogue with researchers and practitioners to allow for more holistic thinking and the sharing of ideas and perspectives. The aim is for research to become meaningful for practitioners and for them to conduct impactful research. This informs each of the four modules of the programme: 1) Foundations of Social

and Economic Inequalities (in-person), 2) Policy for Equity (online), 3) Challenging and Transforming Inequality (in-person), and 4) a thematic module on a specific aspect of inequalities (in-person).

REFLECTIVE SPACES TO UNIFY THEORY AND PRACTICE

This year, the AFSEE programme focused on creating spaces for reflective practice within the in-person modules. As bell hooks writes, "when we create a world where there is union between theory and practice we can freely engage with ideas." It is in trying to create this union that the AFSEE focus on reflective spaces fits. With that in mind, the AFSEE programme added three new reflective spaces – one in each in-person module.

The reflective sessions allow Fellows to 1) digest all the new learning and knowledge they have encountered, and 2) use a different form of knowledge creation – in this case art – to express their learning in a way that centres their embodied experiences and their professional practices. By reflecting through drawing, Fellows begin to see themselves in the story of inequalities and the ways of challenging them. It means that the research is not separate from their own experiences, but rather, the academic research speaks to, with, and against the self. Fellows also walk around, look at each other's drawings and take inspiration from others' reflective works. They share their thinking behind each other's pieces, allowing new collective stories of challenging inequalities to emerge.

In the first module, the reflective session focused on each Fellow imagining what their learning journeys might look like during the

active fellowship year. It brought together expectations, anxieties, and hopes to see how the Fellowship for the cohort might look like. In the third module, the reflective activity focused on Fellows drawing themselves, as they see themselves, and linking it to their thoughts on different sessions. This allowed Fellows to ensure that they could see themselves throughout the modules' content while also validating their different internal monologues. In the final module, Fellows drew their collective learning journeys on a single 10-metre-long paper. Central to this challenge was a need to demonstrate different experiences while sharing a common path.

The feedback on these sessions was very positive, and we will continue this practice with future cohorts.

MODULE FOUR: MIGRATION, DISPLACEMENT AND INEQUALITIES

The thematic module for this academic year focused on 'Migration, Displacement, and Inequalities'. With the heightening climate disaster, continual wars, and the rise of xenophobic border regimes, those that face migration and displacement (and the inequalities associated with them) are only set to increase. Even within the AFSEE programme, issues around delayed visas, the 'hostile environment' policy of the UK Home Office, and the constant need for 'right to work' checks caused issues bringing both Fellows and guest speakers into the programme.

Invited speakers for this module included: Professor Susanne Wessendorf, who provided a global view of transnational migration and related issues of inequalities, including racism; Professor Hyun Bang Shin, who spoke on inequalities around



displacement and urbanisation; Dr Romola Sanyal, who spoke on the agency those that are displaced exercise and how they contribute to the politics of the cities they move to; and Atlantic Fellows Dr Dana Walrath and Durkanai Ayubi who led a session on counter-narratives and remembering displacement.

MULTIPLE WAYS OF KNOWING

Key to the AFSEE programme is embedding the many ways of knowing that move beyond traditional social science disciplinary boundaries. Two programme events highlighted this focus.

On 18 October 2022, Professor Hazel Carby, Centennial Professor at the III, presented a thought-provoking intervention on what it means to do archival research and the violence of the sanitised accounting records that she used to document her own family's bondage into slavery in the Caribbean. This opened the space for discussions on doing and writing research differently – that is tied to the personal and that does not attempt to hide this violence.

On 19 April 2023, multidisciplinary artist and critical educator, Poetcurious hosted for the third time an event called TongueLash. Poets and musicians Simeon Hammond Dallas, Sam Berkson, and Zena Edwards performed pieces inspired by the work of the AFSEE Fellows. After each performance, Poetcurious facilitated discussions around how the art inspired the Fellows and drew attention to new ways of understanding the work they do. Finally, Poetcurious led Fellows through some creative writing time, and Fellows performed their own poetry, further inspiring artistic and create ways of challenging inequalities.



Simeon Hammond Dallas performing at the TongueLash event in April 2023

INEQUALITIES GLOSSARY

In January 2023, AFSEE launched its Inequalities Glossary. This project, led by Dr Sara Camacho Felix and co-produced with Research Assistants Noémie Bourguignon and Sira Thiam, aims to demystify disciplinary terms that are used to conceptualise different forms of inequalities. It defines terms from anthropology, economics, political science and sociology in plain English and offers links to further resources. By creating the glossary, which is freely available on the AFSEE website², practitioners and academics can look up and learn about concepts from other fields. The glossary makes these ideas accessible to those that aren't academics or from specific disciplines.

Currently, there are 30 entries listed in the glossary. However, the glossary is meant to be a 'living' document. We invite AFSEE Fellows, members of the III community, and others to suggest additional entries to create a more comprehensive understanding of the different measures, concepts and theories around social and economic inequalities, and ways to challenge them.

² AFSEE, 'Inequalities glossary', Published on AFSEE.ATLANTICFELLOWS.LSE.AC.UK.

LIFELONG FELLOWSHIP

LIFELONG ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND OFFERINGS

The AFSEE programme is a lifelong fellowship, which means that being an AFSEE Fellow does not end when the active fellowship year ends. One of our strategic objectives is to create lifelong engagement opportunities and offerings to amplify the impact of the fellowship over time, so allowing Fellows to continue to shape, grow, and scale up their social change work.

This year, AFSEE provided Senior Fellows with access to continued learning and personal and professional development. In October 2022, the AFSEE programme team worked with Frameworks UK to host a webinar for AFSEE Senior Fellows titled 'An Introduction to Framing Narratives'. After the webinar, Senior Fellows also had the opportunity to have a 1:1 appointment with Frameworks UK to discuss narrative change in their individual context.

Through the LSE-run Professional Development Fund, AFSEE

Participation Fund, and AFSEE Connectivity Fund, AFSEE also continues to support Senior Fellows who want to enhance their skills, access continuous learning, and build their networks. These programme-level opportunities for lifelong community engagement are deliberately designed to complement the Atlantic Institute's offering to all Atlantic Senior Fellows.

AFSEE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT AND INCUBATION LABS

The key highlight of this academic year was the AFSEE Leadership Summit, which took place in January 2023. This was an inaugural in-person gathering for the AFSEE community drawn from AFSEE Senior Fellows, the AFSEE programme team, and members of the AFSEE governing board. Approximately 100 people were in attendance for the three-day event. The Summit was co-created with AFSEE Fellows, and the content focused on community building and knowledge sharing. The Leadership

Summit was opened by Armine Ishkanian, AFSEE Executive Director, and also featured words of welcome from Baroness Minouche Shafik, LSE Director, as well as Chris Oechsli, the President and CEO of Atlantic Philanthropies.

Highlights of the Summit included a plenary discussion of successes and failures in social and economic equities, featuring three AFSEE governing board members, Professor Naila Kabeer, Nicolette Naylor, and Dr Maria-Luisa Mendez in discussion with AFSEE Senior Fellows Kripa Basnyat (Cohort 2), Caroline Kioko (Cohort 5), and Máximo Jaramillo-Molina (Cohort 4). The Summit programme also included AFSEE fireside chats, parallel discussions led by AFSEE Senior Fellows for their peers on topics such as 'What is the world we want to see'; 'How can we talk to people across political and ideological divides'; and the 'Impact of the rise of right-wing authoritarian politics'. AFSEE Senior Fellows also led a series of peer-to-peer skills-sharing sessions which focused on narratives, voice, and participation as well as self-care and managing social change without burning out.

The Leadership Summit also saw the launch of the AFSEE Incubation Labs, a pilot initiative encompassing two stages, designed to foster collaborative projects among and across AFSEE Senior Fellows. Thirteen Incubation Labs were set up in the first stage, in which 41 Senior Fellows from across all five cohorts were involved, and with over 27 Senior Fellows participating in more than one Incubation Lab. Since January, the AFSEE programme team has hosted two online conversations directly related to the Incubation Labs. In March, Dr Aygen Kurt-Dickson, Policy Fellow, LSE III chaired a webinar for AFSEE Senior



Group photo of AFSEE Senior Fellows at the Leadership Summit in January 2023



Fellows exploring how to build successful international collaborations, and in early July, Dr George Kunnath, Assistant Professorial Research Fellow, LSE III, chaired a webinar reflecting on Stage 1 of the Incubation Labs as well as encouraging thinking forward to Stage 2 and its two pathways of either developing a network or developing a funding proposal for an external philanthropic organisation.

STRENGTHENING TIES WITH LSE AND ATLANTIC FELLOWS COMMUNITIES

The AFSEE programme collaborated with AFSEE Senior Fellow Kitt Baracsi (Cohort 4) to showcase her research at the LSE Festival 2023 that took place from 12-17 June 2023. During the Festival week, Kitt's work on children's views on urban transformation was displayed at LSE as part of the Mapping People and Change exhibition. As part of the collaboration, Kitt also led a half-day Urban Transformation workshop for a group of year 7 students from a North London school. The aim of the workshop was to get the students to think about urban transformation; who can use the space and how; what kind of difficulties they see; and what would they change.

In July 2023, the fifth cohort of AFSEE Senior Fellows met in person at the Atlantic Institute's Senior Fellows convening in Oxford, UK. This was a most welcome opportunity for AFSEE Fellows to reconnect within their cohort as well as to meet other Senior Fellows from the other seven Atlantic Fellows programmes, and to find out more information about the Atlantic Institute and its thematic convenings.



Students presenting their work at the Urban Transformation – workshop in June 2023



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IMPACT AND REACH

DIGITAL COMMUNICATIONS



387,934 **WEBSITE VIEWS**

AFSEE concluded a major website redevelopment project with the launch of the new AFSEE website in March 2023. The new website has a refreshed look and feel, a more user-friendly navigation, and brand-new features that highlight the AFSEE community. During the 2022/23 academic year, AFSEE website had 387,934 views, which shows an 11% increase in visits compared to last year.



3,396 **NEWSLETTER SUBSCRIBERS**

AFSEE sends out regular newsletters to its prospective applicants' mailing list, providing further information about the AFSEE programme and application process for the fellowship. AFSEE has seen an additional 802 subscribers to its mailing list, which means that the overall subscriber amount has increased by 31% in a year. The list currently has an average open rate of 53.6% and a 10.3% click rate (compared to the industry average of 23% and 2.9% respectively).



8,150 **SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS**

AFSEE continues to build its reputation and increase its reach across a range of social media platforms including X, LinkedIn, Facebook, and Instagram. AFSEE's X channel, which was reactivated at the beginning of 2022, has seen the most growth, with followers increasing by 88% in the last year (from 660 to 1,242). Facebook continues to be AFSEE's biggest social-media platform with 3,246 followers, closely followed by LinkedIn with 2,859 followers.

IMPACT AND REACH

In the past year, AFSEE Fellows' work has been featured in a number of blogs, news outlets, podcasts and events across the globe. They have spoken at seven AFSEE events, published 10 blog posts on the AFSEE blog and been featured in publications such as *Bloomberg UK*, *Animal Politico*, *Washington Post*, *The Star Kenya*, *Premium Times*, and *The Independent*.

In partnership with the LSE Philanthropy and Global Engagement team, AFSEE Fellows have also been spotlighted in three LSE Shaping the World campaign features entitled: "How can we align our work with purpose to shape a sustainable world?"³, "How can we build inclusive and transformative movements for social change?"⁴ and "In conversation with Atlantic Fellows and LGBTQ+ advocates Joan Jones and Oabona Sepora."⁵



55 **PODCAST EPISODES FELLOWS PRODUCED/ FEATURED IN**



25 **EVENTS WHERE FELLOWS PRESENTED OR GAVE A TALK**



62 **BLOGS, REPORTS, AND ARTICLES FELLOWS WROTE**

- 3 LSE, 'How can we align our work with purpose to shape a sustainable world?', Published on SHAPINGTHEWORLD.LSE.AC.UK.
- 4 LSE, 'How can we build inclusive and transformative movements for social change?', Published on SHAPINGTHEWORLD.LSE.AC.UK.
- 5 LSE, 'In conversation with Atlantic Fellows and LGBTQ+ advocates Joan Jones and Oabona Sepora', Published on SHAPINGTHEWORLD.LSE.AC.UK.

AWARDS/ACHIEVEMENTS:



Jane Sloane (Cohort 1) was awarded the University of Sydney's 2022 Alumni Award for Service to Humanity for her decades of work in advancing women's and girls' rights globally.



Makmid Kamara (Cohort 5) was selected for the Obama Foundation's 2023 Africa Leaders programme.



Ishrat Jahan (Cohort 5) was awarded as an Achiever in the field of Policy and Society by the National Indian Students and Alumni Union in collaboration with the British Council, the UK Department of International Trade, Chevening and others.



Christopher Choong Weng Wai (Cohort 4) won the BISA Colonial, Postcolonial and Decolonial Working Group's Early-Career Researcher Paper Prize with his paper 'Racial/Gender Capitalism in Malaysia: contested scripts, muted repertoires.'



Fola Adeleke (Cohort 1) was appointed to the Nova Scotia Human Rights Commission.

AFSEE FELLOWS:



100
FELLOWS



43
COUNTRIES



6
COHORTS

APPLICATIONS:



2021/22
RECRUITMENT



2022/23
RECRUITMENT



OF ALL APPLICATIONS RECEIVED WERE FROM APPLICANTS BASED IN THE GLOBAL SOUTH.

APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FROM 104 COUNTRIES.



EVENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC LECTURES

Democratic Backsliding, Resistance and Hope: the 2022 presidential election and prospects for democracy in Brazil

Co-hosted with the LSE Latin America and Caribbean Centre.

Wednesday 28 September 2022. Online public event.

Speakers: Professor Rosana Pinheiro-Machado, Professor, School of Geography, University College Dublin; Dr Fred Batista, Associate Professor, University of North Carolina at Charlotte; Amanda Segnini, AFSEE Senior Fellow.

Chair: Dr Fabrício Mendes Fialho, Research Fellow, LSE III.

The presidential election in Brazil was the most decisive vote-casting in the country since re-democratisation in 1985. Drawing together a panel of experts the event created a dialogue on the challenges faced by one of the world's largest democracies.

Landscapes of Environmental Racism

Thursday 20 October 2022. Online and in-person public event

Speaker: Professor Hazel V Carby, Centennial Professor, LSE III.

Discussant: Ruby Hembrom, AFSEE Senior Fellow.

Chair: Dr Imaobong Umoren, Associate Professor, Department of International History, LSE.

In this event, Hazel Carby and Ruby Hembrom discussed and showcased the work of indigenous artists who are responding to environmental and ecological crises and degradation.

AFSEE Keynote Lecture – Doughnut Economics: a new economic vision for cities

Thursday 10 November 2022. Online public event.

Speaker: Kate Raworth, Co-founder of the Doughnut Economics Action Lab.

Discussant: Maria Carrasco, AFSEE Senior Fellow.

Chair: Professor Armine Ishkanian, Executive Director of the AFSEE Programme, Politics of Inequality Programme Co-Leader, LSE III, and Professor in the Department of Social Policy, LSE.

In the AFSEE Keynote Lecture, Economist Kate Raworth and AFSEE Fellow Maria Carrasco discussed how we can create equal and just cities without overburdening the environment.



Ruby Hembrom speaking at LSE in October 2022



Dr Faiza Shaheen speaking at LSE in June 2023

Can People Change the World? Activists, Social Movements, and Utopian Futures

Part of LSE Festival: People and Change

Saturday 17 June 2023. Online and in-person public event.

Speakers: **Dr Faiza Shaheen**, Visiting Professor in Practice, LSE III; **Georgia Haddad Nicolau**, AFSEE Senior Fellow.

Chair: **Professor Armine Ishkanian**, Executive Director of the AFSEE Programme, Politics of Inequality Programme Co-Leader, LSE III, and Professor in the Department of Social Policy, LSE.

Looking beyond just forms of resistance, the speakers discussed the role of activists and social movements in today's world and examined their agency in imagining utopian futures and creating change.

SPONSORED EVENTS

LSE Africa Summit 2023

The LSE Africa Summit is an annual student-led conference that showcases Africa's expertise and global contribution, promoting debate around the continent's contemporary challenges and opportunities. Gathering renowned scholars, leading politicians, changemakers, activists and forward-thinking entrepreneurs, the Summit provides a unique platform for sharing ideas and nurturing relationships, translating thought into meaningful action. The 2023 Summit featured AFSEE Fellows **Naledi Maite** (Cohort 6) and **Jite Phido** (Cohort 5).

Kurdish Studies Conference

The LSE Middle East Centre held its inaugural Kurdish Studies Conference in April 2023 to mark the fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Centre. The conference covered social sciences disciplinary approaches to any aspect of Kurdish studies and sought to promote, share and celebrate recent research across this growing field and encourage connections between scholars, students, professionals and members of the public.

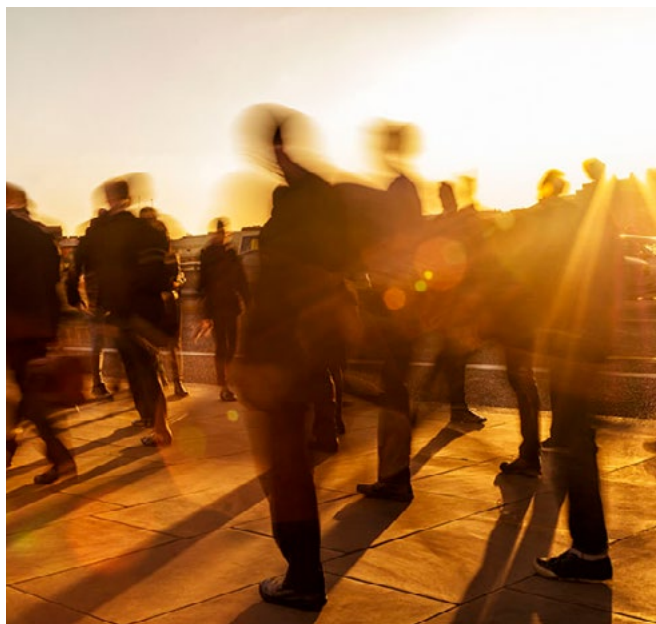
Building Bridges: connecting stories and championing racial justice

The Building Bridges conference, organised by LSE III and the Runnymede Trust, was designed to bring together people working toward racial justice, to share their work and consider ways to support each other in championing racial justice. It particularly focused on three issues: wealth inequality and the racialised impact of the cost-of-living crisis; hostile environment and migrants' rights; and policing and criminal justice.



RESEARCH AND PROJECTS

Covid-19 Rapid Response Fund



The COVID-19 Rapid Response Fund was launched in May 2020 to fund research with the potential to respond quickly to the global impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and its connections to global inequalities. It funded four projects:

1. Rapid Responses for South African Labour Law in the Post-Corona Labour Market
2. Women's Solidarity Networks Take on Covid-19: the Case of Valparaíso, Chile
3. Designing a Net Wealth Tax: 'Thinking big' on Tax Policy after Coronavirus
4. Emergent Agency in a Time of Covid-19.

To mark the conclusion of the projects, short films highlighting the learnings and impact of the projects were produced and shared in 2023.⁶

The Academic-Practitioner Collaborations



The Academic-Practitioner Collaborations (AcPrac) project was launched in December 2021. The project has two aims: 1) to develop a better understanding of AcPrac collaborations and how these are shaped by knowledge inequalities and 2) to use this knowledge to inform the work of past, current and future cohorts of AFSEE Fellows on how to create and sustain research practice collaborations that can contribute to tackling inequalities through policy change and wider social transformation.

As part of the project, a short guide⁷ was written by AFSEE Senior Fellow Barbara van Paassen (Cohort 4) and III Visiting Fellow Dr Tahnee Ooms and translated into French, Spanish and Portuguese. AFSEE Senior Fellows were also commissioned to write 14 case studies and reflection pieces, which will be published in the next academic year. These contributions shed light on the diverse range of collaborative initiatives undertaken by academics and practitioners in tackling inequalities.

⁶ YouTube @afseeLSE, https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y6C_P5vB5YQ&list=PL-IBzBiyOkgvhJzhcKN2STJHOhIdgiYwO, Published on YOUTUBE.COM.

⁷ Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity, 'Academic practitioner collaborations to address inequalities'. Published on AFSEE.LSE.AC.UK.

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS CON'D

A sub-project led by Dr Aygen Kurt-Dickson with assistance from Ishita Puri on funding policy and funders in AcPracs was also launched at the beginning of 2023. The project will contribute to a better understanding of the perspectives of institutional funding bodies that drive AcPracs in inequalities and social change and will potentially help us identify strategic connections with selected funders for the whole of AFSEE community.

PROJECT TEAM:

Professor Armine Ishkanian, Executive Director of the AFSEE Programme, LSE III, Professor in the Department of Social Policy; **Barbara van Paassen**, AFSEE Senior Fellow; Dr Tahnee Ooms, Visiting Fellow, LSE III; **Dr Branwen Spector**, Lecturer in Social Anthropology, University College London; **Dr Aygen Kurt-Dickson**, Policy Fellow (Funding and KE Strategy), LSE III; and **Ishita Puri**, Research Assistant, AFSEE.

Conflicted Identities for Social Justice? Exploring Female Economic and Political Elites in Chile and the UK



Launched in 2022, this project funded through AFSEE's Network Innovation Fund, aims to foster research and knowledge exchange collaboration between AFSEE and the Centre for the Study of Conflict and Social Cohesion. The project will examine female elites as 'insiders and outsiders' in both the political and economic fields to explore the extent to which these might be inclined to social justice, redistribution and social cohesion, and also compare this data with what the dominant literature has assumed as common practices and preferences.

PROJECT TEAM:

Dr Isabel Castillo, Assistant Professor, Universidad de Chile; **Dr Katharina Hecht**, Visiting Fellow, LSE III; **Dr Catherine Reyes-Housholder**, Assistant Professor, Pontificia Universidad Católica in Chile; **Dr Chana Teeger**, Assistant Professor, Department of Methodology, LSE; **Dr Rachel Theodore**, Assistant Professor, Mayor University in Chile; **Dr Elisabeth Schimpfössl**, Visiting Senior Fellow, LSE III and Senior Lecturer in Sociology, Aston University.



Atlantic Equity Challenge

Launched in September 2021, the Atlantic Equity Challenge (AEQ) is funding four projects that examine inequalities on sites in Bangladesh, Colombia, India, Lebanon, Nepal, Sri Lanka and Uganda.

Demanding a Just Recovery from Below: the role of grassroots accountability activism in safeguarding labour migrants' rights in the pandemic era



This project seeks to examine the opportunities and limitations for grassroots accountability activism to assert the potential for a just recovery for labour migrants in post-Covid-19 Nepal. Initial findings from the project have been disseminated in various academic forums such as at the Development Studies Association conference and the UK Alliance for Disaster Risk Reduction conference. Data analysis is currently underway, and the findings will be disseminated through various academic and non-academic outlets.

RESEARCH TEAM:

Dr Flora Cornish, Associate Professor in Research Methodology, Department of Methodology, LSE; **Dr Nimesh Dhungana**, Visiting Fellow, LSE III and Lecturer in Disasters and Global Health, University of Manchester; **Kripa Basnyat**, AFSEE Senior Fellow; **Narayan Adhikari**, Director and Co-founder Accountability Lab Nepal.

Ethnographic Solutions to Inequalities in South Asian Advicescapes



Using an ethnographic approach this project aims to understand changing access and provision of entrepreneurship advice for those setting up or running small businesses in Bangladesh and Sri Lanka. Following fieldwork in both countries and ongoing work with our partners BRAC and the Centre for a Smart Future, work has now shifted to the production of workshop-based toolkits, with a successful workshop with advice providers and users held in Colombo, Sri Lanka, in June 2023 and one in Dhaka, Bangladesh, in August 2023. Toolkit materials, including practitioner-derived lessons and good practice advice guidelines, are now being produced for the project website and adapted for in-country use.⁸

RESEARCH TEAM:

Professor David Lewis, Professor of Anthropology and Development, Department of International Development, LSE; **Dr Rebecca Bowers**, LSE Fellow, Department of Anthropology; **Dr Luke Heslop**, Visiting Fellow, Department of Anthropology, LSE and Lecturer in Anthropology and Global Changes, Brunel University London; **Dr Sohini Kar**, Associate Professor, LSE Department of International Development; **Anjali Sarker**, AFSEE Senior Fellow.

8 Atlantic Equity Challenge, 'Ethnographic solutions to inequalities in South Asian advice ecosystems'. Published on AEQ-ADVICE.COM.

RESEARCH AND PROJECTS CON'D

Peace and Gender (In)equality: lessons from the Colombian Peace Agreement of 2016



Collaborating with the Observatory for Women's Equality at the Higher Education Institution of Cali, Colombia, this project examines the implementation of the gender commitments of the Peace Agreement of 2016 from the perspectives of female ex-combatants of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, Indigenous and Afro-Colombian women, and LGBTQ+ community. The initial findings have been shared at various research forums including the LSE Research Showcase,⁹ LSE LIFE – World Café, and the XIII Congress of the Latin American Research Council for Peace in Chile. The project findings will be presented in two conferences at ICESI University and LSE in August 2023, and a documentary, policy brief and several publications are forthcoming.

RESEARCH TEAM:

Dr George Kunnath, Assistant Professorial Research Fellow, LSE III; **Hobeth Martinez Carrillo**, AFSEE Senior Fellow; **Dr Dilia Consuelo Fuertes Chaparro**, Agency for Reincorporation and Normalization, Colombia; **Alejandra Erazo Gómez**, Territorial Management Office of the Truth Commission, Colombia; **Dr Erika Márquez-Montaño**, Assistant Professor, ICESI University, Cali.

Social Media and the Crisis of Urban Inequality: transnational analysis of humanitarian responses across the Middle East, South Asia and Africa



Collaborating with Oxfam-Uganda, Action Aid-India and Triangle-Lebanon, this project investigates how social media is used to navigate the terrain between humanitarianism and inequality in the Global South and how it plays a key role in alleviating and exacerbating inequalities. The project has produced multiple blog posts highlighting findings from each team, and more blog posts and publications are forthcoming.

RESEARCH TEAM:

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⁹ LSE, 'Peace and gender inequality: lessons from the Colombian Peace Agreement | LSE Research Showcase 2022'. Published on YOUTUBE.COM.

POLITICS OF INEQUALITY

Led by Professor Armine Ishkanian and Professor Ellen Helsper



INTRODUCTION

The Politics of Inequality research programme takes an international, comparative, interdisciplinary and multi-method approach to exploring the practices of resistance, mobilisation and contestation, which constitute a politics of inequality from a bottom-up perspective. The research on this programme is also linked to and seeks to inform the work of the Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity (AFSEE) programme, which is based in the International Inequalities Institute (III). As the AFSEE programme is committed to building a community of people who are “committed to using collective leadership to work towards social and economic justice for all”, the research within this programme informs the teaching on AFSEE modules, AFSEE Fellows’ projects and MSc dissertations, and supports the Fellows’ research and participation. AFSEE Fellows are invited to be theme affiliates and to work with other members of the programme.

The programme focuses on three areas of work: 1) supporting and producing significant and robust research; 2) creating opportunities for those working on topics related to the study of the politics of inequality to meet, connect and exchange ideas; and 3) to support research collaborations and knowledge exchange with AFSEE Fellows and other non-academic stakeholders. The programme has had a productive year in 2022/2023 in progressing with these three areas of work.

There has been great progress on the programme’s main goals of producing high-quality research and supporting the development of a community and network of scholars. This year, in addition to the existing four strands of research (Inequalities in an Increasingly Digital World; Movements, Policy and the Politics of Inequality; Inequalities, Conflict and Peace; and Authoritarianism and Populism in the 21st Century), the programme added a new strand of research focusing on racial

inequality. Under this strand of research two new projects, led by Dr Maël Lavenaire, ‘Social Change and Racial Inequalities in the Post-Slavery Plantation Societies 19th – 21st century’¹⁰ and Dr Sara Camacho Felix’s ‘Decolonising histories of internationalism within and beyond Europe: Inôncencio da Câmara Pires in Angolan, Brazilian, and Iberian leftist movements’,¹¹ examine the political, social, and economic issues which stem from historical processes of racialisation and seek to make visible the role of race and racialisation in the understanding contemporary socioeconomic inequalities. All five strands of research, with their constituent projects, have been active this year as evidenced by publications, presentations and public events.

Two projects hosted under this research programme were awarded Global Research Fund (GRF) grants. The Activism, Policy and Transformation (APT) project, led by Professor Armine Ishkanian was awarded a GRF grant to host a writing workshop for members of the APT project. The second GRF grant supported the hosting of the Digital Inclusion and Empowerment in India Symposium, organised by Professor

10 LSE III, ‘Social change and racial inequalities in the post-slavery plantation societies 19th – 21st century’. Published on LSE.AC.UK.

11 LSE III, ‘Decolonising histories of internationalism within and beyond Europe: Inôncencio da Câmara Pires in Angolan, Brazilian, and Iberian leftist movements’. Published on LSE.AC.UK.



Ellen Helsper. And Dr George Kunnath also received an LSE Knowledge Exchange and Impact Award of £50,000 for his project, Collaborative Engagement for Durable Peace in Colombia (2023–24).¹²

In our second area of work, which focuses on creating opportunities for those working on topics related to the Politics of Inequality research programme, we have hosted several events. Highlights include the two roundtables and one workshop hosted by the research programme in 2023. The first of the two roundtables on Inequality, Crisis and Resistance, focused on how inequalities and crises are inextricably linked to colonial, capitalist and class-based modes of extraction and exploitation and the myriad ways in which people resist them. The programme's second roundtable, on Art and Inequalities, was co-organised and hosted with the Wealth, Elites and Tax Justice research programme. The aim of the roundtable was to examine the potential of visual art's critical power to contest and reimagine the relationship of past/present/future in a world of intensifying economic and social inequality.

The research programme also hosted a closed workshop on anti-hate and the media. This was co-organised by Salman Usmani, AFSEE Fellow (Cohort 6), Politics of Inequality Research Fellow Dr Fabrício Mendes Fialho, and Professor Shakuntala Banaji, Department of Media and Communications.

Public events hosted by the theme include a panel on 'Democratic Backsliding, Resistance and Hope: the 2022 presidential election and prospects for democracy in Brazil', organised by Dr Fialho and also co-sponsored by LSE Latin America and Caribbean Centre. The research programme also organised a panel discussion at the June 2023 LSE Festival titled, 'Can People Change the World? Activists, Social Movements, and Utopian Futures', that featured presentations by Dr Faiza Shaheen, Visiting Professor in Practice, and Georgia Haddad Nicolau, AFSEE Senior Fellow (Cohort 4).

Core programme members have also taken part in LSE-wide knowledge exchange events. Dr George Kunnath and Dr Maël Lavenaire gave talks at the November 2022 LSE World Café and Dr Lavenaire also delivered a lecture on the LSE Thrive programme in February 2023.

The programme has made great strides on its three areas of work by supporting and producing innovative and rigorous research on the politics of inequality; providing opportunities for connecting and exchanging knowledge and supporting collaborations and engagement with both external academic and non-academic audiences.



¹² LSE, 'How do we achieve durable peace in situations of persisting conflicts? Lessons from the Colombian Peace Agreement of 2016'. Published on LSE.AC.UK.

HIGHLIGHTS

Activism, Policy and Transformation Writing Retreat



Participants at the Activism, Policy and Transformation Writing Retreat in April 2023

A two-day writing retreat was organised by the Activism, Policy and Transformation research project, which is part of the III's Politics of Inequality research programme. Members, including Professor Armine Ishkanian and researchers from Chile, Armenia, South Africa and Lebanon, met face-to-face for the first time to map the outline of a co-authored article and agree on other research dissemination and publication activities in the near future.

This collaborative work was based on research conducted in 2022 by various members of the project. LSE Global Academic Engagement's global research fund and the support from the III and the Eden Centre's team were instrumental in facilitating this successful workshop.

Inequality, Crisis and Resistance Roundtable



The first of the programme's two roundtables, on 'Inequality, Crisis and Resistance', focused on how inequalities and crises are inextricably linked to colonial, capitalist, and class-based modes of extraction and exploitation and the myriad ways in which people resist them. In addition, a session during this roundtable examined the methodological and epistemological challenges of researching the everyday reproduction and resistance of inequality and how effective they are in highlighting the voices of contestation and facilitating transformation. The event, which brought together LSE researchers and students from many LSE departments and centres, provided space for lively discussions around these topics and opportunities for people to connect. The day included presentations by Dr Luke Cooper, LSE IDEAS; Professor Jenny Pearce, Latin America and Caribbean Centre; Professor John Chalcraft, Department of Government; Dr Olivia Umurerwa Rutazibwa, Department of Sociology; Dr Seeta Peña Gangadharan, Department of Media and Communications; Dr George Kunnath, LSE III; Dr Flora Cornish, Department of Methodology; Dr Philippa Mullins and Liz Sayce, LSE III; Professor Sumi Madhok, Department of Gender Studies, and T.O. Molefe, AFSEE Fellow (Cohort 6).

➤ Art and Inequalities Roundtable



Participants at the Art and Inequalities Roundtable in June 2023

The programme's second roundtable, on Art and Inequalities, was co-organised and hosted with the Wealth, Elites and Tax Justice research programme. The aim of the roundtable was to examine the potential of visual art's critical power to contest and reimagine the relation of past/present/future in a world of intensifying economic and social inequality. This event also brought together scholars, students, and practitioners from different disciplinary backgrounds and methodological approaches to examine the relationship between art and inequalities. The day included presentations from Dr Sarah Kerr, Nottingham; Dr Kristina Kolbe, Erasmus, Amsterdam; Dr Michael Vaughan, LSE; Kosisochukwu Nnebe, Visual Artist and Curator, and Jite Phido, AFSEE Senior Fellow (Cohort 5).



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The mission of the Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance, based at the University of Cape Town, is to promote and inspire strategic public leadership in Africa. The Mandela School is a key partner of the AFSEE programme, assisting with the outreach and recruitment of Fellows and hosting key events.



Centre for the Study of Conflict and Social Cohesion, Chile

The Centre for the Study of Conflict and Social Cohesion (COES) is our programme's primary and longest-standing research and outreach partner in Latin America. It undertakes collaborative research on issues related to social conflict and cohesion in Chile through a multidisciplinary team drawn from the social sciences and humanities. Launched in 2022, COES and AFSEE are currently working together on a research project titled, 'Conflicted Identities for Social Justice? Exploring Female Economic and Political Elites in Chile and the UK'.¹³



openDemocracy

OpenDemocracy is an independent international media platform producing high-quality journalism which challenges power, inspires change, and builds leadership among groups underrepresented in the media. As a content partner for AFSEE, openDemocracy publishes and promotes pieces produced by our Fellows. This academic year, it has published the following pieces:

- Why we need feminist leadership for climate justice (Barbara van Paassen, Cohort 4)¹⁴
- Fighting for their rights: Brazil at a crossroads (Johnny Miller, Cohort 1)¹⁵
- How Brazil's mothers helped Lula win the election (Georgia Haddad Nicolau, Cohort 4)¹⁶
- Elected politicians have failed in Peru – here's what must come next (Rafael Barrio de Mendoza Zevallos, Cohort 5)

13 Atlantic Fellows for Social and Economic Equity, 'Conflicted identities for social justice exploring female economic and political elites in Chile and the UK'. Published on AFSEE.LSE.AC.UK.

14 Open Democracy, 'Why we need feminist leadership for climate justice'. Published on OPENDEMOCRACY.NET.

15 Open Democracy, 'Fighting for their rights: Brazil at a crossroads'. Published on OPENDEMOCRACY.NET.

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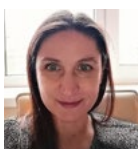
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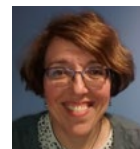


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