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Dear GRP ID Members,

A very happy new year to all of you! We hope you have a good rest over the holidays and are now geared up for term 2.

To get things started, one big highlight for this term is - Amjad Rihan will be giving our Annual Lecture on February 27 on blood gold and whistleblowing. Amjad has agreed also to hold a workshop on his experiences – a unique opportunity to learn more in an interactive setting. See below for more details.

We also have other events and activities planned. We will now be circulating **fortnightly newsletters**, so that all our members have a chance to see updates from the GRP in International Development. We, like you, dislike being over-emailed so we are trying to cut this down as well. If you would like any GRP ID relevant news to be circulated to our network, please ensure you send your items in for review by Wednesday each week to be considered.

We are still accepting applications for seed funding, and as usual, we will be offering modest sums of funding to successful applicants. If you have any collaborative or interdisciplinary events or activities which explore our annual theme, or on international development more generally, please do send through an application. Further information and application processes about seed funding can be found [here](#).

Our Annual Photography Competition is still accepting submission for the photography prizes. For further information on the guidelines, t&c's, please refer to our webpage [here](#).



[Amjad Rihan](#) the Founder of Global Business & Financial Integrity - GFBI is renowned for his credibility in the field of fighting financial crime. We are so excited to announce that Amjad will hold our Annual Lecture this year on 27th February. Amjad will talk about blood gold and financial crime - the gold trade's role fuelling conflict and human rights' atrocities as well as facilitating terrorist financing, illegal arms trading and the laundering of billions of dollars of criminal money. Amjad will also talk about the personal suffering and sacrifice whistleblowers make to expose the truth, in

order to protect society. This will be a fantastic event - one not to be missed, so

[register your place here!](#)

Amjad will also hold a small workshop around whistleblowing, before the lecture. Please note there are extremely limited spaces for this unique opportunity, so ensure you [register your place here!](#)

Our Annual Postgraduate Conference will take place on **Thursday 13 June**. This one-day conference is designed to give postgraduate students from different research areas an opportunity to present and discuss their research and form new connections with their colleagues across different disciplines. [Please see the call for papers here.](#)

Other News and Events

Congratulations to Professor Ann Stewart, Academic Co-Lead of the GRP in International Development, and PhD student, Seb Rumsby for securing £4,000 from the Warwick Ideas Fund. This additional funding will aid Seb to create a resource database for sharing films that empower, encourage and equip Hmong farmers, a marginalised community in Vietnam, to increase rural livelihoods income. The films are 30 minutes in length and each one is of a different Hmong farmer capturing how they grew their business to provide practical tips to other members of the Hmong community.

GRP ID network member, Dr Jonathan Vickery, of the Centre for Cultural and Media Policy Studies, has been awarded Warwick IAS (Institute of Advanced Study) funding from the International Visiting Fellow scheme. The forthcoming fellow is Dr Serhan Ada - an internationally recognised leader in cultural policies for democratisation and development. Dr Ada is currently a UNESCO Chair in Cultural Policies and Cultural Diplomacy (of only 11 in the world), in Istanbul. He is the founder manager of Istanbul's unique centre of contemporary culture, SantralIstanbul (now fully owned by Bilgi university). He will be at Warwick for one month starting the 20th of June 2019. As part of his itinerary, he and Dr Vickery will be holding a seminar on international cultural diplomacy at the Warwick Brussels office. Congratulations to Dr Jonathan Vickery!

Dr Celine Tan has secured funding through the GRP ID seed funding process, for a

workshop with GLOBE on "Security, Borders and International Development: Intersections, Convergence and Challenges" which will be taking place in April. For further information [please see here](#).

Please find attached a Call for Papers for the 2019 annual conference of the Law and Development Research Network (LDRN) in September. For further details, [please see the call here](#).

Please also see this [blog post](#) which was submitted by the SDG16+ & Transitional Justice Working Group that GRP ID network member, Briony Jones is part of.

And lastly.. To keep up to date with our external funding opportunities and other calls, please refer to our funding page [here](#).

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