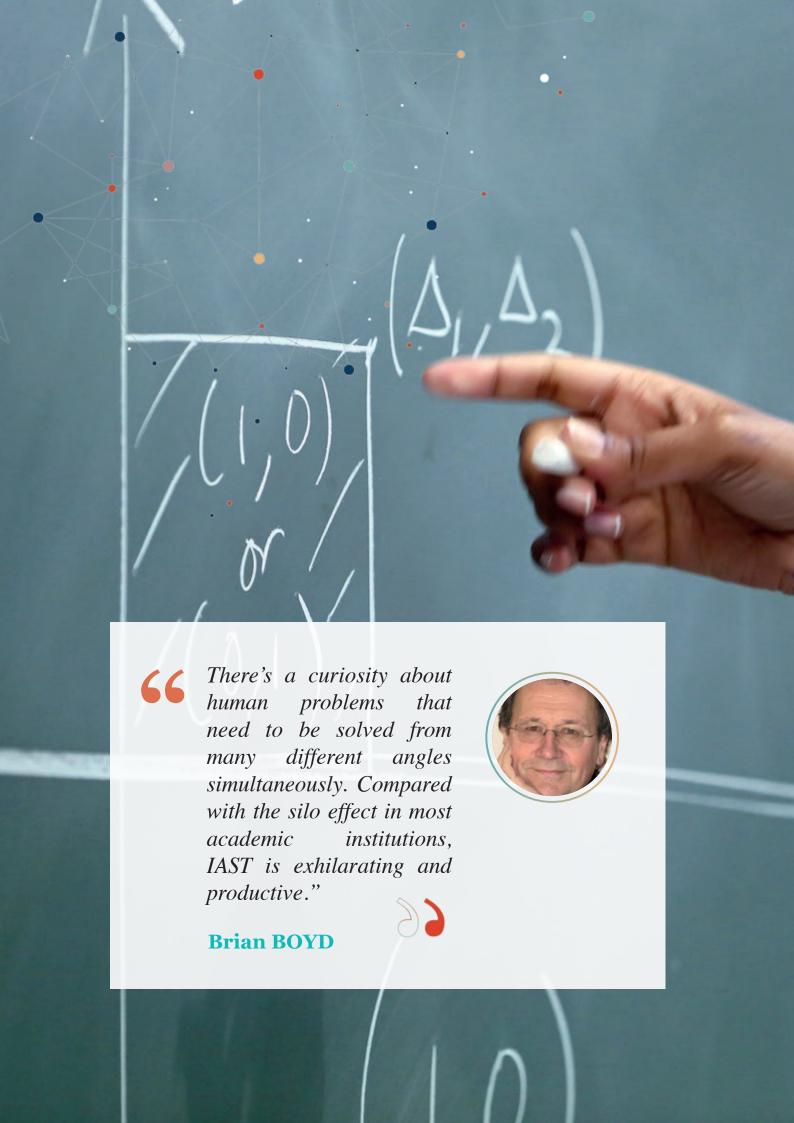




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## EDITORIAL • 2017, the year in which

2017, the year in which IAST celebrated its 6th birthday, was a landmark year in many ways.

In January two of our new tenure-track recruits - Jonathan Stieglitz and Michael Becher - began their appointments, and were joined in September by Jorge Peña, bringing our number of tenuretrack researchers to four (with Mohamed Saleh). A further seven new Research Fellows joined us in September, meaning that the IAST community has more or less reached its steady-state size, with 45 resident researchers, a further 13 nonresident faculty based in the Toulouse area, and 8 long-term visitors, not to mention the large number of one-time visitors who came for short or more extended visits during the course of the vear.

Then, in October, came the very welcome news that our funding from the French government has been extended for a further 10 years, as part of an ambitious project together with the Toulouse School of Economics (TSE) to create an "Ecole Universitaire Recherche" with strong multidisciplinary component in social sciences. This means that we shall be freed from concerns about immediate funding and able to concentrate on strengthening our long-term scientific vision. We approach the social sciences as a unified scientific project whose aim is to study the behavior of human beings as evolved biological organisms who live in groups, form networks and coalitions, are governed by formal institutions and informal norms, produce and exchange scarce resources and are inspired by ideals and beliefs. Although different IAST researchers bring different disciplinary tools to this activity we all recognize that we study the same phenomenon, and that the findings of each discipline need to be consistent with those of others.

With the assurance of this greater funding stability, 2018 will see both the strengthening of our existing initiatives and the launching of some new ones. 2018 sees both the 5th Toulouse Political Economy/ Political Science conference and the 6th Economics and Biology Workshop, an eloquent testament to the value of continuity in some kinds of research activity. These two events have become established as major events in the international scientific calendar and attract each year a mixture of familiar figures and new faces, contributing progressively to building a worldwide network of scholars in each domain.

Among the new initiatives for 2018 will be the launch of a new field in behavioral and experimental economics in the TSE doctoral program. This will see IAST researchers increase their involvement in teaching, with modules not only on behavioral economics and the use of experiments but also on the origin of social institutions, thereby involving political scientists and anthropologists.

We also intend in 2018 to develop our governance structure to include transversal initiatives reduce our reliance on the disciplinary programs. The first step in this initiative was the appointment on 1st September of Karine Van der Straeten as Scientific Director of IAST. Karine will have transversal responsibility for all of IAST's scientific activities. While we remain convinced that our researchers need to be anchored in a strong training within their own discipline, more and more of our activities involve cross-disciplinary collaborations and our governance structure needs both to reflect and to encourage this.

In June 2017 we hosted the 5th Anniversary conference of the IAST Scientific Council. This was an excellent occasion for the Council to meet each other, to present their work to the scientific community at IAST, and to learn more about what our own researchers are doing. We are exceptionally fortunate to have a highly distinguished and devoted Council who have given us excellent advice on many dimensions of our activities. I would like particularly to thank Gerard Hertig, outgoing Chair of the Council, who has been an invaluable source of advice and wisdom, and his successor Tom Romer, who has already proved a shrewd and generous member of the Council.

Finally, the staff of IAST have once again given most generously of their time and energy to help both build and maintain the institution as it evolves from an infant to a young adult. They rarely receive the explicit personal recognition that is accorded to researchers, and I would like to record my conviction that without their selfless and devoted work none of the achievements of IAST would be possible

## Paul Seabright, IAST Director



## GOVERNANCE •



Scientific Director Karine Van Der Straten

members

6 Program Directors

## IAST operates as a sheltered foundation under the aegis of the foundation Jean-Jacques Laffont TSE.

It is governed by an Executive Committee (COMEX), composed of 8 members, the two founding members (Toulouse Capitole University and the collegium of economic partners), two representatives of the collegium of public partners, one representative of IAST researchers, one representative of the foundation Jean-Jacques Laffont TSE and three qualified members. The COMEX met twice in 2017, on May, 31 and December, 13.

IAST has a scientific committee composed of 23 members which held

a conference June, 15 - 16 2017 on advanced scientific matters which was an opportunity for the members to meet the scientific community at IAST, and to learn more about what our own researchers are doing.

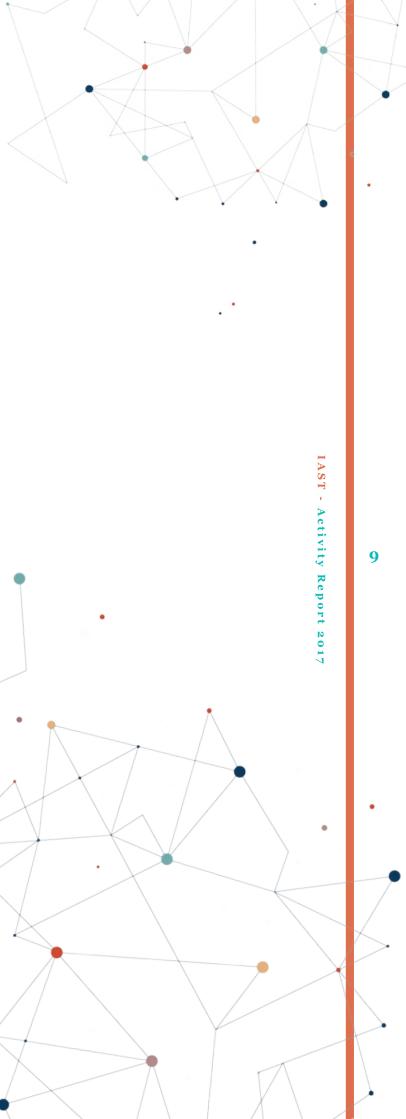
Day-to-day management is in the hands of the Director (Paul Seabright) assisted by Delphine Pouts, with the administration under the management of Joël Echevarria, and (since September 2017) the scientific program under the direction of Karine Van Der Straeten. Paul

Seabright's appointment as Director was renewed on December 31, 2017 for a term of three years.

Strategic scientific decisions, including recruitment of Research Fellows, are taken by the committee of Program Directors together with the Director and the Scientific Director. A new configuration of the strategic decision making of IAST will be undertaken during the course of 2018.

IAST is best described as a sister institution of TSE, and this relationship gives it scientific and managerial independence while both permitting and encouraging close collaboration on matters of common scientific interest

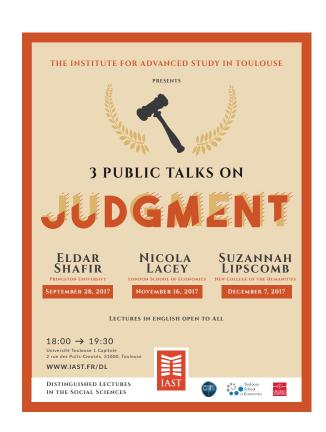
Full lists of governing body members are available pages 47 - 49



## HIGHLIGHTS •

## DISTINGUISHED LECTURES 2017

The IAST Distinguished Lectures series has been running for five years, bringing the brightest international minds to Toulouse to discuss the most profound questions in 21st century science and society in front of a wide public audience. During the fall, three public lectures were held in English on the topic of Judgment and were livestreamed for the first time in social media.

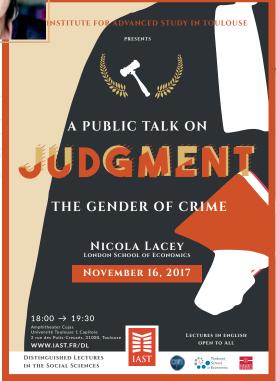






Eldar Shafir,
Princeton University,
"Intuitive Judgment in Public
Policy"

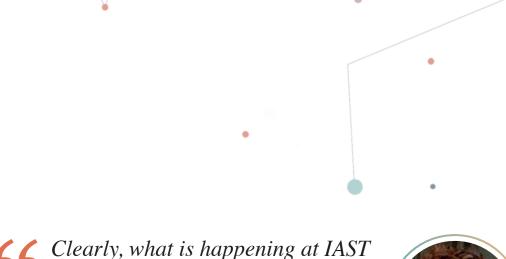






## Suzannah Lipscomb,

University of Roehampton
"Passing God's Judgment:
the Reformed Church and Women
in 16th Century Languedoc"



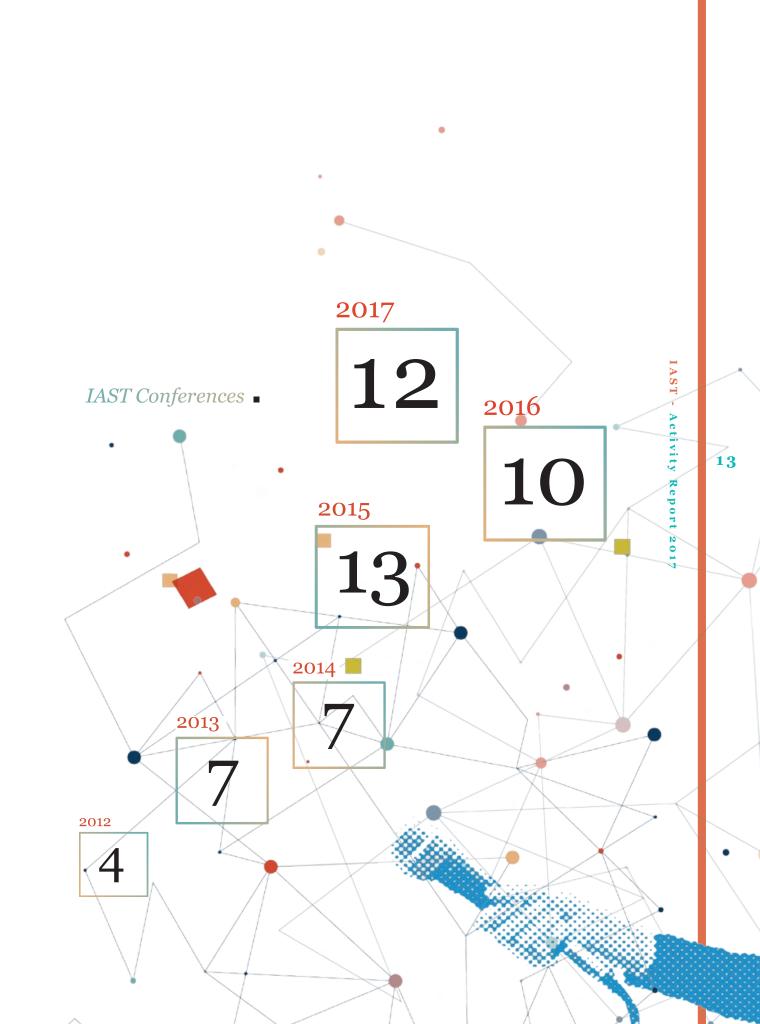
Clearly, what is happening at IAST is marvelous. Everybody seems to open their projects to much bigger and bolder questions.



**Rebecca STOTT** 



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## RECRUITMENT

The Institute for Advanced Study in Toulouse welcomed 7 new Research Fellows and 3 new Assistant Professors for this new academic year.

Coming from a large array of renowned universities and disciplines, the newcomers all work at the crossroads of disciplines and are looking forward to developing new interdisciplinary research projects in Toulouse.



**Carlo Horz** • Political Science

Carlo studies political belief formation and authoritarian politics. He is particularly interested in using game theory to elicit the conditions in which propaganda is effective.



**Gabriel Mesevage** • History, Economics

Gabriel focuses his research on 19th-century financial history. One of his interests is the British 'Railway Mania' of the 1840s, and its impact on the financial press.



Slimane Dridi 

Biology

Slimane is an evolutionary biologist interested in social interactions, learning, evolution of plasticity and changing environments. He uses analytical and simulation modeling to answer questions at the intersection of evolutionary biology and behavioral sciences.



Irene Menendez 
Political Science

Irene's research in the fields of international political economy, comparative politics and welfare states has a special focus on the political consequences of international trade and the political economy of public policies.

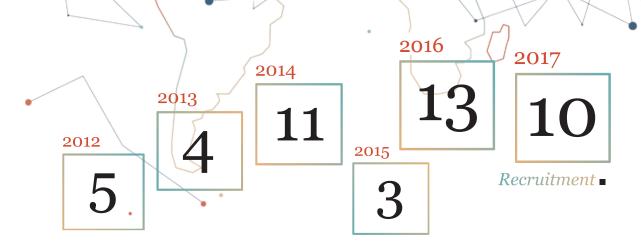


## **Elissa Philip Gentry** Law

Elissa specializes in labor markets, human resources, risk and environmental regulation. More specifically, she is interested in health law and the risks of prescription medication.



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## **Kathryn Schwartz** • **History**

Kathryn studies modern Middle Eastern history, with a focus on the printing industry. She is currently revising her dissertation into a book entitled Print and the People of Cairo, 19th century.



## **Hannah Simpson** • Political Science

Hannah studies the political economy of legal institutions, and in particular the economic determinants of access to justice. She has also worked as a public defender in New York City and as a human rights lawyer in Pakistan.



Jorge Peña Biology

Jorge explores the strategic, demographic, and ecological factors affecting the evolution of social behaviors.



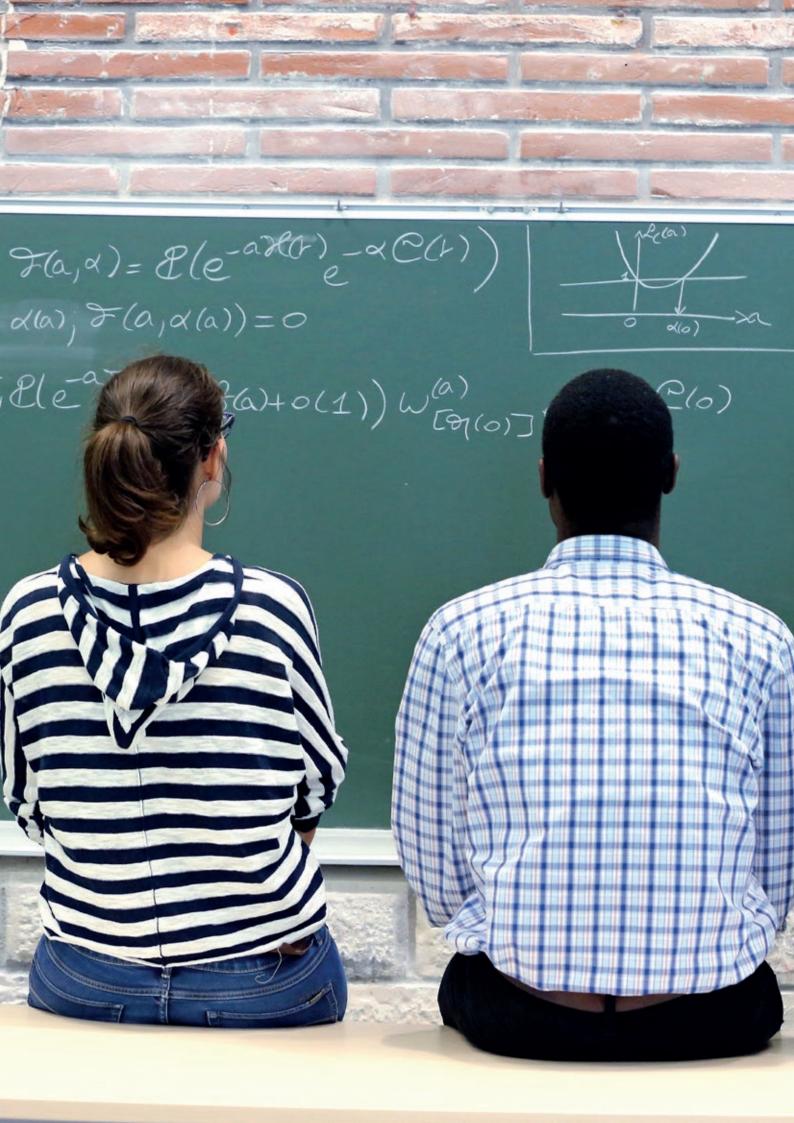
Michael Becher - Political Science

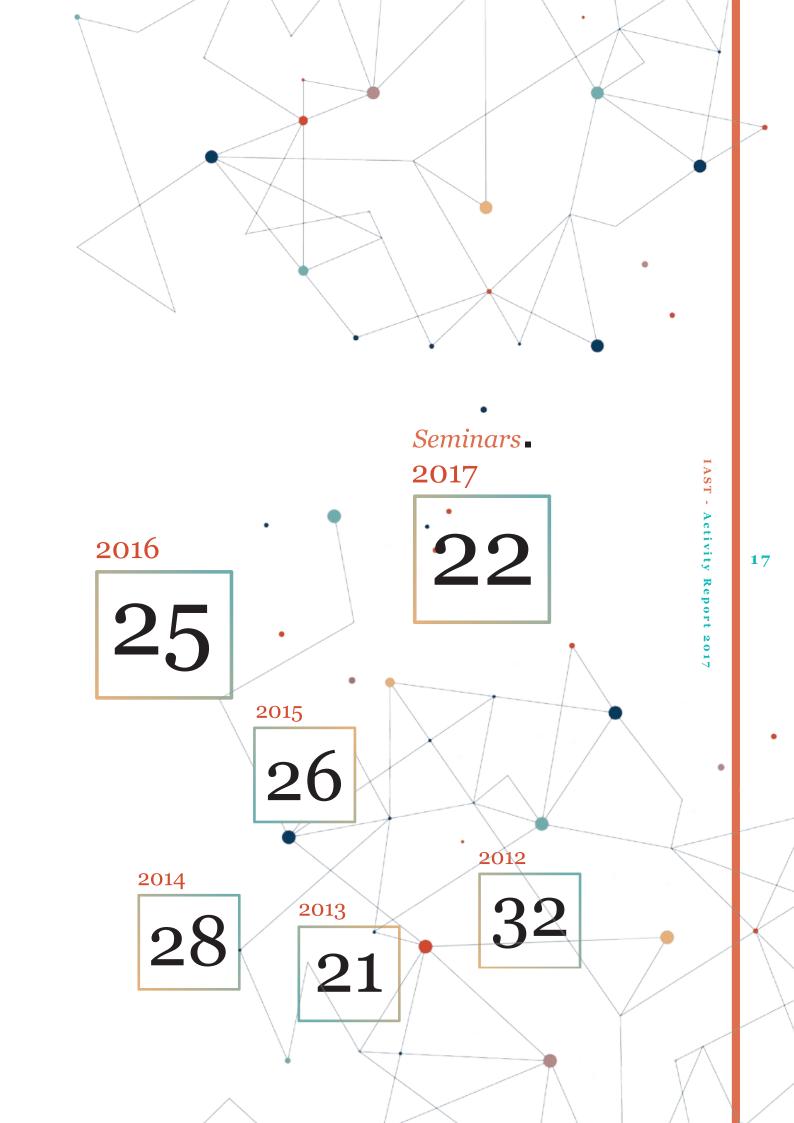
Michael studies political economy and focuses on political institutions, elections and representation, inequality and redistribution.



## Jonathan Stieglitz Anthropology

Jonathan explores how ecological and social factors affect variability in behavior, psychology, and physiology in small-scale societies by using principles from behavioral ecology and life history theory.





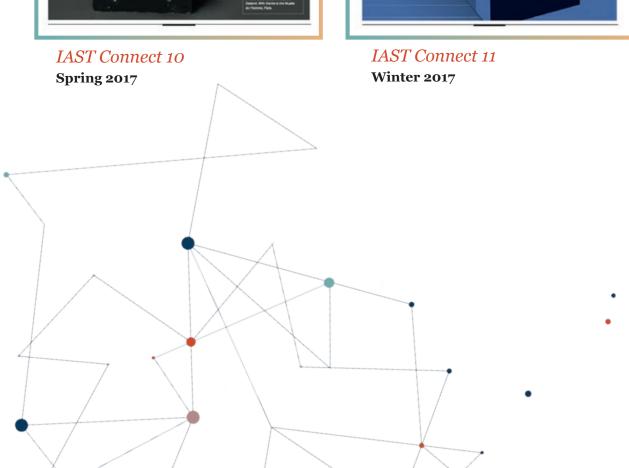




Two issues of IAST's regular outreach magazine were published in 2017, highlighting research and events.

THE END OF DEMOCRACY







IAST is a beautiful project.
Interdisciplinary institutions that manage to do things well are a dream, it's not easy to pull-off and it really works here.

workshops and conferences.

\* Short term and long term visitors excluding speakers at seminars,



**Eldar Shafir** 

## IAST IN THE PRESS ■■

# 2017 French and international press articles from IAST members covering research results and bearing new research insights on current concerns. A sample :

March 16, 2017 - Big data and its limits.

Le Monde • Paul SEABRIGHT

March 17, 2017 - These people eat monkeys and piranhas. They also have the lowest rates of heart disease ever measured

**Washington Post • Jonathan STIEGLITZ** 

March 17, 2017 - Tsimané of the Bolivian Amazon have world's healthiest hearts, says study.

The Guardian • Jonathan STIEGLITZ

March 22, 2017 - There's Science Behind Why Some Couples Look Like They're Related.

**Reader's Digest • Arnaud TOGNETTI** 

April 17, 2017 - Do parasitic worms help keep arteries young?

Futurity • Jonathan STIEGLITZ and al.

April 28, 2017 - Google activates company's first servers in Cuba.

The CS Monitor • With Jen SCHRADIE

October 5, 2017 - How advertising could envourage violence between women.

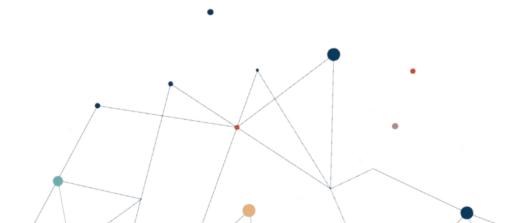
**HuffingtonPost Mexico** • On work by **Jean-François BONNEFON** 

November 2, 2017 - Is learning a mother tongue a universal process?

**CNRS** • Jonathan STIEGLITZ

November 28, 2017 - Toulouse School of Economics opens up courses to new disciplines.

La Croix



## **BOOKS**

## This year's scientific literature from members of our community.

## Jean-François BONNEFON —

Reasoning Unbound, Thinking about Morality, Delusion and Democracy Palgrave Macmillan, 2017

Jean-François BONNEFON and Bastien TRÉMOLIÈRE — Moral Inferences , Psychology Press, 2017

Eric CRUBEZY and Dariya NIKOLAEVA —

Vainqueurs ou Vaincus? L'Enigme de la Iakoutie, Odile Jacob, 2017

## Jean TIROLE -Economics for the Common Good, Princeton Press, 2017



## IN THE PUBLIC EYE

## IAST RESEARCHERS WERE INVITED TO PRESENT THEIR RESEARCH AND OFFER THEIR INSIGHT THROUGH PUBLIC DEBATE. Among other events:

*April 27, 2017* - **Karine VAN DER STRAETEN** was invited to participate in a public talk on collaborative choice making at **Les Découvrades** • Toulouse, France

May 24, 2017 - **Jean-François BONNEFON** with **Frédéric MAZZELLA**, CEO BlaBlaCar, **The « Matinales »** with **La Tribune •** Toulouse, France

June 17, 2017 - Astrid HOPFENSITZ, Ted talk • Toulouse, France

October 01, 2017 - **Ingela ALGER** was invited to present here research and career path at **Femmes en Science**, **Quai des Savoirs** • Toulouse, France

November 08, 2017 - Charlotte CAVAILLE and Paul SEABRIGHT took part in a session on the economic roots of populism at the Journées de l'Economie in Lyon ● Lyon, France

## NOMINATIONS ■■

**Astrid HOPFENSITZ** – junior member, *Institut Universitaire de France* 

**Luke GLOWACKI** – Editorial board, *American Anthropologist* 

**Luke GLOWACKI** – Editorial board, *Human Nature* 

Karine VAN DER STRAETEN – Editorial Board, American Political Science Review

Karine VAN DER STRAETEN – Editorial Board, Journal of Experimental Political Science

Karine VAN DER STRAETEN – Associate Editor, Journal of Experimental Political Science

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## ASTRID HOPFENSITZ AWARDED 2017 CNRS BRONZE MEDAL

IAST Program Director in Psychology, Astrid Hopfensitz was awarded the yearly CNRS medal for her exceptional contribution to science.

Astrid works on the influence of emotions and psychological traits on economic decision-making and behaviour by using psychological methods in economic experiments to analyze real-life situations.

## IAST MULTIDISCIPLINARY PRIZE -

## TWO TEAMS SHARE THE LIMELIGHT

To create bridges between disciplines, IAST awards annual prizes to the best multidisciplinary research projects.

This year's applications were of such high quality, that ultimately it was decided to share the prize between the following two teams.

## **WINNERS 2017:**

- **ALICE BANIEL** & **LUKE GLOWACKI** BIOLOGY/ANTHROPOLOGY 'Understanding male-female aggression in mammals and humans using a comparative approach'
- MOHAMED SALEH & CARLOS VELASCO HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE

## **GRANTS**

### **BEGINNING IN 2017:**

Frédéric CHERBONNIER, Economy of Disruptive Innovation, 173 729 €
Astrid HOPFENSITZ, Institut Universitaire de France, 15 000 €
Jen SCHRADIE was awarded two grants: AXA Research grant for 130 000 €
and the European Commission - with MSHS-T & seven other research institutes for 730,000€.

### **AWARDED IN 2017:**

Jonathan STIEGLITZ, National Institutes of Health, 251 688 \$ to start in 2018.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Parliamentary elites in autocracies and their lack of support for democracy: The case of Egypt'

## PROGRAM ACTIVITIES IN 2017

## **ANTHROPOLOGY**

**Director: Jonathan Stieglitz** 



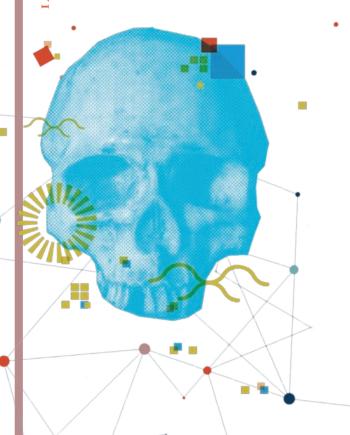


The Anthropology
Program at IAST
aims to address broad
questions that can situate
anthropology in a key
position within the social
and life sciences.

This was an exciting year for IAST Anthropology.

IAST welcomed in 2017, biological anthropologist, Patricia Balaresque (CNRS, UMR 5288: Anthropologie Moléculaire Imagerie et Synthèse [AMIS], UT3). research interests include detecting sex-speci ic processes in human genomes, and evaluating impacts of environmental pressures and sexual selection on the evolution of hearing sensitivity across primates. She joined existing IAST members Luke Glowacki (IAST research fellow). Harilanto Raza indrazaka (CNRS, **UMR** 7268: Anthropologie bio-culturelle, Ethique et Santé [ADES]) and Jonathan Stieglitz (Assistant Professor, UT1).

2017 **IAST** In anthropologists continued publishing their cuttingedge research top-tier scienti ic journals including Lancet, PNAS, Nature Human Behaviour,



Evolutionary Anthropology, Evolution and Human Behavior, American Journal of Physical Anthropology, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Human Nature, and others.

In addition to producing a stream of quality publications, IAST anthropologists were awarded several prestigious external grants, for example, from the US National Science Foundation (Biological Anthropology Program) and Fondation A\*MIDEX of Aix-Marseille University. Moreover, the IAST's annual multi-disciplinary prize was awarded to Luke Glowacki and Alice Baniel.

IAST anthropologists participated in several inter-disciplinary conferences and workshops in 2017, including "The Origins of Music in Human Society", co-hosted by IAST and Fondation Royaumont, and "Culture Matters: macro and micro level approaches to the history of cultural change", jointly arranged by IAST and the Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History (MPI-SHH, organized by Heidi Colleran, a former IAST research fellow and recurrent IAST visitor). IAST anthropologists also presented their research at numerous local workshops, including one between Labexes IAST and SES (Structurations des Mondes Sociaux, UT2), and one between IAST and l'Equipe de Biologie Evolutive Humaine (Université de Montpellier). In addition, IAST welcomed four renowned anthropologists (L. Gettler, R. Mace, B. Scelza and B. Wood) who, along with IAST researchers, presented their work during the 5th annual Economics and Biology workshop (hosted by IAST/TSE).

Three other renowned anthropologists (T. Currie, J. Henrich, P. Turchin) were welcomed by IAST during an IASTsponsored workshop, "Explaining Institutional Change in History". IAST also hosted seminars by archaeologist lan Armit (University of Bradford) and scientist Daniel behavioral (Newcastle University). There were also several internal seminars in which IAST anthropologists presented research, including research on domestic violence in Brazil and Bolivia, human life history evolution, and evolutionary medicine. IAST also hosted short-term visitors Ruth Mace (University College London) and Alexandra Alvergne (University of Oxford).

Aside from advancing its ambitious research agenda, IAST Anthropology achieved its goal of developing, in collaboration with the AMIS lab and other anthropologists from UT3, a Masters-level course in evolutionary medicine, which was taught at the Facultés des Médecine de Toulouse in the fall of 2017.

Lastly, IAST is excited to announce that in April of 2019, it will co-host, together with two CNRS labs (AMIS and UMR 5321: Station d'Ecologie Théorique et Expérimentale), the 14th annual conference of the European Human Behavior and Evolution Association (EHBEA)

## **BIOLOGY**



**Director: Ingela Alger** 

Since the inception of the Biology
Program at IAST, the overarching objective
has been to promote discussions between
economists and biologists, and to some extent also with
anthropologists.

This focus is very natural, given that within each of these disciplines there are researchers who seek to enhance our understanding of the ultimate forces that drive (human) behavior, and the consequences thereof for societies. Furthermore, economists, biologists and ecologists have complementary tools when it comes to analyzing issues such as ecosystem management, and the regulation of markets for pharmaceutical drugs whose consumption may cause drug resistance. A variety of activities have been undertaken to further this objective.

The IAST seminar series welcomed speakers relevant for the Biology Program: Alex Kacelnik (Oxford), Moshe Hoffman (Harvard), Suzanne Alonzo (UC Santa Cruz), Arne Traulsen (Max Planck Institute) and Daniel Nettle (Newcastle University).

The 5th Economics and Biology Workshop took place in May 2017. The theme for the workshop was "The Economics and Evolution of the Family". **This two-day event** 

featured 12 plenum presentations by internationally renowned researchers, as well as a poster session for a total of 17 post-docs and PhD students.

The main speakers in economics were , Pierre-André Chiappori (Columbia University), David de la Croix (Université Catholique de Louvain), Donald Cox (Boston College), Partha Dasgupta (University of Cambridge), Edlund (Columbia University), Ingela Alger (Toulouse School of Economics and IAST), in Biology Robert Brooks (University of New South Wales), Hanna Kokko (University of Zürich), and in Anthropology Brooke Scelza (University of California Los Angeles), Lee Gettler (University of Notre Dame), Ruth Mace (University College London) and Brian Wood (Yale University).

Apart from the seminar and conference speakers, a few researchers visited the IAST for longer periods of time within the Biology Program: Donald Cox (Boston College), Maxime Derex (Arizona State University), Moshe Hoffman (Harvard), Laurent Lehmann (Université de Lausanne), Erez Yoeli (Harvard), and

Jörgen Weibull (Stockholm School of Economics).

The success of the biology program at the IAST relies significantly on the collaboration with a number of key partners in the Toulouse area. Of particular importance is the involvement of Étienne Danchin, Emmanuelle Cam and their colleagues at EDB (Évolution et Diversité Biologique, Université Toulouse Paul Sabatier), that of Jean Clobert, Claire de Mazancourt, Michel Loreau, Alexis Chaine and their colleagues at SETE (Station d'Écologie Théorique et Expérimentale du CNRS à Moulis), as well as that of Éric Crubézy, Patricia Balaresque, Morgane Gibert and their colleagues at AMIS (Anthropologie Moléculaire et Imagerie de Synthèse).

In September 2017, two new researchers joined the biology program at IAST: Jorge Peña (PhD

Applied Mathematics, Lausanne University) was appointed to a tenure-track Assistant Professor position in Social Sciences, a position offered jointly by IAST and Université de Toulouse Capitole and Slimane Dridi (PhD Biology Lausanne) was appointed to an IAST Research Fellow position.

A new multi-disciplinary teaching program in Economics and Ecology, partly funded by IAST, opened in September 2017. This program, which is a path in the M2 ERNA (Environmental and Natural Resource Economics), is taught by ecology faculty from Université Paul Sabatier (from the research groups EDB and SETE) and by economics faculty at Toulouse School of Economics. More detailed information about the Economics and Ecology path can be found here: https://www.tse-fr.eu/erna.

The 5th annual Toulouse Economics

June 2017

The Evolution & Economics of the Family



## **HISTORY**

**Director: Mohamed Saleh** 

The IAST History Program adopts an interdisciplinary approach to studying social and economic history that attempts to combine both the social science quantitative methodology and the historical qualitative methodology.

The IAST History Program hosted several events in 2017. On 13-14 June 2017, the history program hosted a two-day workshop titled" "Explaining Institutional Change in History," that centered around the theme: Why do institutions (laws, rules, sanctions, customs, and norms) in a given human society emerge, change, and disappear? The workshop featured top researchers working at the intersection of social sciences and history including Peter Bol (Harvard), Thomas Currie (Exeter), Jose-Antonio Espin-Sanchez (Yale), James Fenske (Warwick), Joseph Henrich (Harvard), Naomi Lamoreaux (Yale), Joel Mokyr (Northwestern), Ian Morris (Stanford), Johannes Preiser-Kapeller (Austrian Academy of Sciences), Yannay Spitzer (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), and Peter Turchin (University of Connecticut).

The IAST general seminar featured James Feigenbaum (Boston University) who presented his work on "Intergenerational Mobility during the Great Depression" where he introduced a new methodology of linking individuals across successive population censuses.

The IAST Tuesday Lunch Seminar featured several history seminars by IAST research fellows and PhD students in history. The speakers included: Nicholas Crawford (IAST research fellow) who presented his paper titled: "A natural tendency towards the maximum of labour, and the minimum of food': Regulating Slave Work and Sustenance in the British Caribbean," Alexandra Laliberté (IAST PhD student) who presented her paper titled: "The Areas of Greek Revolts against the Ottomans, 16th and 17th centuries (Epirus, Morea, Thessaly and Ohrid)," Carlos Velasco (IAST research fellow) who presented his paper titled: "Unbreakable Legacies? Redistricting, Political Capital the Personal Vote," Kofi Asante (IAST research fellow) who presented two papers titled: "'A thorn in the side of the government'? Collaboration, Resistance, and Agency in the Gold Coast," and "'This FOKN Country?': Towards a theory of ethnic and national attachment," and Gabriel Mesevage (IAST research fellow) who presented his paper titled: Fraud and Financial Manias: Estimating the Number of 'Bubble' Companies during the Railway Mania of the 1840's."

The IAST History Program continued in 2017 to co-organize the Toulouse **History Seminar (Histoire Economique** Sciences Sociales, HESS) collaboration with University Toulouse 2 Jean Jaures, Sciences Po Toulouse, and Toulouse Business **School.** The speakers in 2017 included: Ronan Tallec (Panthéon-Sorbonne) who presented "Funding the salvation of his soul in the Old Regime: the example of the brotherhood of priests of Montesquieu-Volvestre," Michael Llopart (UT2 Jean Jaures) who presented his work on "Between the state and the market, the trajectory of a misidentified industrial object: the national industrial nitrogen Office (1924-1967)," Gabriel Mesevage (IAST) who presented "The Rise of New Corruption: British MPs during the Railway Mania of 1845."

IAST History Program contributed to the co-organization of a one-day workshop together with UT2 Jean Jaures and the Centre Norbert Elias in Marseille titled: «Networks and exchange: échanges et réseaux.» Mohamed Saleh (IAST program director in history) presented "Nationbuilding policies and the integration of minorities: evidence from 19th-century Egypt," and Kofi Asante (IAST research fellow) presented "Coalitions, Protests, and Politics on the Gold Coast."

The IAST History program recruited two new research fellows who started in September 2017, Kathryn Schwartz (PhD in History, Harvard) who works on the history of the modern Middle East. Her book project is entitled: «Print and the People of Cairo, 19th century,» and Gabriel Mesevage (PhD in History, Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies in Geneva) who works on 19th century financial history, in particular the financial press, rating agencies, speculative manias and financial crises. The diversity of the methodologies and skill sets of the two fellows reflects the interdisciplinary approach of the IAST History Program.

The IAST General Seminar

James Feigenbaum



Intergenerational Mobility during the Great Depression





## LAW

## **Director: Simone Sepe**

The IAST's Law Program is committed to importing the functional analysis of the law - and, in particular, the law and economics approach - into continental Europe. To this end, the IAST's Law Program is also committed to developing relationships between North American and European scholars.

A major achievement in 2017 was to secure a partnership with the University of Pennsylvania - Institute for Law and Economics. The Institute is an interdisciplinary center that is based at the University of Pennsylvania Law School and is managed in collaboration between the Law School and the Wharton Business School. The Penn Law School has a tradition in law and economics that dates back to the 1960s. The partnership between the IAST Law and the Penn Institute has the primary ambition of promoting joint scholarship as well as the organization of joint conferences.

In December 2017 the IAST Law Program and the Penn Institute coorganized a Conference in Corporate Law and Economic Theory. The spirit of the Conference was to relate corporate law to economic theory, beyond the classic law and economics approach, which has leaned toward the oversimplification of corporate matters in recent years. Participants at the Conference included William Bratton

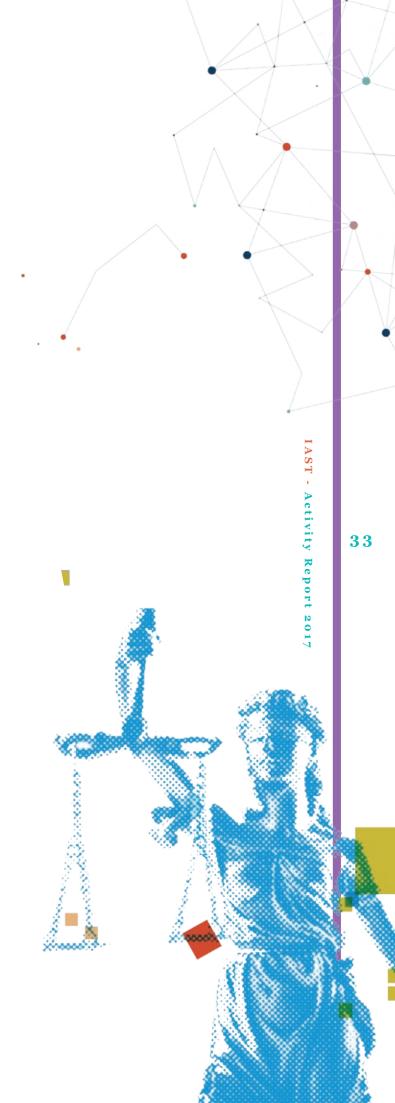
(University of Pennsylvania Law School), Ronald Gilson (Columbia Law School and Stanford Law School), Eric Talley (Columbia Law School), Colin Mayer (Oxford Business School), and Jean-Charles Rochet (University of Zurich and the Toulouse School of Economics). Several people from the IAST and TSE community - including, among others, Catherine Casamatta, Sophie Moinas, Milo Bianchi, Sébastien Pouget, Paul Seabright, Simone Sepe, Jacques Crémer, Andrea Attar, and Alexander Guembel - also participated in the Conference, either as discussants or commentators.

Another initiative in 2017 was the expansion of the Program's area of interest into additional directions, such as law and philosophy. In 2016, the IAST secured the fellowship of Professor Thomas Christiano, a political philosopher and professor at the University of Arizona.

In June 2017, with the help of Professor Christiano, the 1st IAST Conference on Philosophy and the Social Sciences, entitled "Inequality, Fairness and Markets", saw the participation of several top scholars, including Thomas Christiano (IAST and University of Arizona), Marc Fleurbaey (Princeton University), Daniel Hausman (University of Wisconsin), John Roemer (Yale University), and Gijs van Donselaar (University of Amsterdam). These scholars presented original work with the aim of starting an interdisciplinary conversation at the intersection of philosophy, economics and the law. Several researchers from the IAST and the Toulouse School of Economics. including Thomas Mariotti, Daniel Chen, Andrea Attar, Pierre Dubois, Karine, Van Der Straeten, intervened at the Conference as either commentators or discussants.

For the next academic year, we intend to continue - and, possibly, further - the investment in law and philosophy, and are planning a second conference in Philosophy and the Social Sciences in 2018. The Conference, entitled "The Philosophical Foundations of the Economic Analysis of Law" will be organized in collaboration with Professor Christiano and will provide an intellectual opportunity to reflect on the relationship between economic theory and different theories of adjudication.

Among the other activities organized in 2017 were a new law and economics series with three invited speakers: Matteo Rizzolli (LUMSA University - Rome), Roberto Galbiati (Science Po, Paris) and Barak Orbach (University of Arizona) (event co-sponsored



by the TSE Competition Policy Seminar). IAST Law intends to continue organizing (or co-organizing) two international conferences per year and other seminars in both law and economics and law and philosophy.

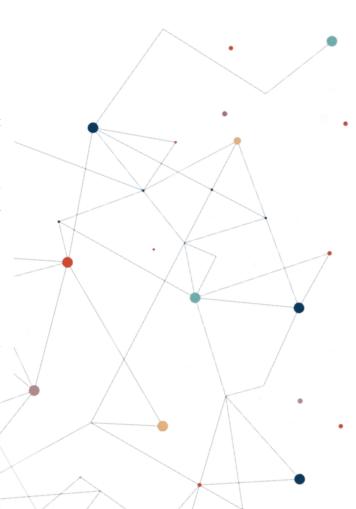
Another historical mission of the IAST Law Program is to deepen relationships with the Toulouse Law School. In 2017, the IAST Law started a new series of academic events titled Law, Society, and the Constitution Colloquia, in collaboration **Professor Wanda Mastor (Professor** at the Toulouse Law School and a IAST member). Consistent with the primary public law focus of the Toulouse Law School, these colloquia brought to Toulouse prominent international public law scholars to discuss contemporaneous societal problems.

It is intention of the IAST Law to continue to hire post-docs of the caliber of Elissa Philip Gentry, a JD - Ph.D. in law and economics at the Vanderbilt University, who has been hired for a three-year post doc position in 2017.

For the fifth year in a row, the IAST's Law Program offered the Toulouse scholarly community courses in economic analysis of law and game theory and the law. These courses attracted students with background in both law and economics. In addition, starting from 2018, the IAST Law will also offer a course in Law and Economics of the US Antitrust Law.

The idea of offering this new course is motivated by the fact that cooperation between the American federal antitrust authorities and the European Directorate of Competition is now well established and continues to grow apace. The seminarthen aims at introducing students to the basic principles of American antitrust law. IAST's Law Program plans to continue recruiting Research Fellows with an US-based education.

Finally, the IAST Law Program intends to create other stable collaborations with primary academic institutions worldwide, adding these collaborations to the existing ones with the University of Pennsylvania, Notre Dame University and ETH Zurich.

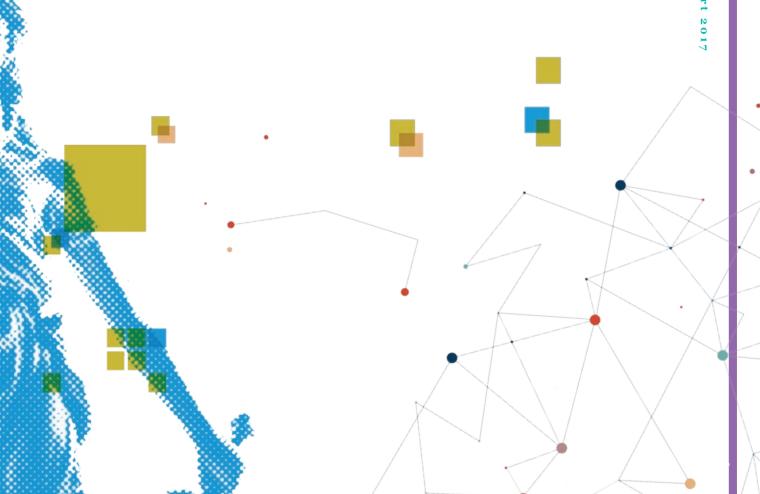


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## POLITICAL SCIENCE

**Director: Michael Becher** 

The political science program at IAST brings together scholars from political science and related fields, such as economics, history or sociology, to advance research on fundamental questions concerning the functioning and development of states, democratic institutions, elections, and the links between citizens and rulers.

Multiple events organized by program researchers in 2017 provided ample opportunities to discuss cuttingedge research conducted inside and outside of IAST, further develop the already strong international research network, and build bridges to TSE and other groups of scholars in France.

In the spring of 2017, program researchers co-organized the fourth IAST-TSE Conference in **Political** Economy & Political Science. The conference included nine leading international scholars, political scientists as well as economists, studying democratic institutions. To what extent can democratic elections provide accountable and responsive governments? What institutional reforms are desirable and feasible to improve the link between citizens and governments? These were two overarching questions, clearly related to past and current anxieties about the functioning of real-world democracy, that were addressed in the conference. Larry M. Bartels (Vanderbilt University) opened the event with a keynote lecture on "Political Inequality in Affluent Democracies". Subsequent panels presented and discussed cuttingedge research on political polarization, populism, the design of electoral systems, political delegation, and authoritarian legacies after democratization.

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The political science program at IAST started organizing joint talks on the theme of democracy and development with the Development, Labor and Public Policy (DLPP) group at the TSE. Olle Folke (Uppsala University) kicked off the new collaboration in October with a talk on "Economic losers and political winners: The rise of the radical right in Sweden.» More talks are scheduled for the 2017/2018 academic year. An important objective of this initiative is to foster strong links between scholars at IAST and scholars at TSE working on similar topics and using the same methods. It is supported by the Centre for Analytical Political Science (CAPS).

In a separate event on the theme of democracy and development, the political science working group invited Daniela Campello and Cesar Zucco (both at FGV/EBAPE in Rio de Janeiro), who presented ongoing research for a bookproject on «Rewarding Merit or Luck? Electoral Accountability in Comparative Perspective.»

In the General Seminar, Noam Lupu (Vanderbilt University) presented latest research unequal on responsiveness around the world and Aina Gallego (IBEI Barcelona) her study on the (null) effects of selecting more educated politicians on fiscal policy. In addition to several Tuesday Lunch presentation on political science topics by program members, a bi-weekly working group (organized by Carlos Velasco) provided a constructive space for IAST researchers to present work in progress. Among others, Mohamed Saleh and Jean Tirole presented research on «Taxing Unwanted Populations: Fiscal Policy and Conversions in Early Islam.»

Finally, the political science group co-organized (together with former IAST research fellow Patrick Le Bihan.

now based at Science Po, Paris) a joint workshop with Science Po, Paris.

The two-day workshop held in Paris in May of 2017 brought together political scientists, economists, economic historians and sociologists from both institutions working on political science and political economy topics. A followup conference will be held Toulouse in the summer of 2018. This collaboration aims to strengthen IAST's links to other leading centers in France.

The program was also glad to welcome back longer-term visitors David Austen Smith (professor of political science and economics at Northwestern University and IDEX chair at the University of Toulouse) and Raymond Duch, political science professor at Oxford University.

In September 2017, there was a large and growing number of applications for research fellowships. Three new research fellows in political science have been recruited from leading universities (New York University and the University of Oxford).

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#### **PSYCHOLOGY**

**Director: Astrid Hopfensitz** 

One topic in the 2017 psychology program at IAST focused on questions of ethics and morals, especially with respect to self-driving cars.

Specifically Jean-Francois Bonnefon organized a workshop on the « Ethics of Automated Vehicles » in September 2017. The workshop aimed at discussing the best ways in which law, public policy, ethics, psychology, and design can complement each other to produce a trustworthy system of autonomous driving. Participants included: Noah Goodall, Iyad Rahwan, Kenworthey Bilz, Yves Dordet, Jim Dratwa, Barbara Wege, Sydney Levine, Bryant Walker-Smith, Bertram Malle, Virginia Dignum and Rob Faris.

The moral machine developed by Jean-Francois Bonnefon and co-authors (moralmachine.mit.edu) received far-reaching media attention and was among others discussed at the «Dangerous Ideas» exhibit at the SF Exploratorium and included in an activity kit by "Science in the Classroom" which prepares original research articles for use in the classroom.

A second workshop on "Social ties and social intelligence" was organized by Astrid Hopfensitz in December 2017. The workshop brought together researchers

from psychology and experimental economics working on questions related to trust, cooperation and ethics and the social dynamics behind them. Speakers included Manfred Milinski, Shaul Shalvi, Jeroen van de Ven, Peter Martinsson and Carsten de Dreu. Results from the work by Astrid Hopfensitz and co-authors on in-equality versus efficiency tradeoffs by spouses was also presented at a TEDx event held in June 2017 at the TNT Theatre in Toulouse.

The psychology program welcomed a number of speakers and visitors throughout the year. Seminar presentations were given by: Alex Kacelnik, Nick Rawlins, Russell Gray, Eldar Shafir, Nicolas Raihani and Daniel Nettle. Visitors included: IAST alumni Boris van Leeuwen, Moshe Hoffman, Bethany Burum, Erez Yoeli and IAST long term visitor Chris Chabris.

Special honors were awarded in 2017 to Astrid Hopfensitz, who received a Bronze medal from the CNRS.

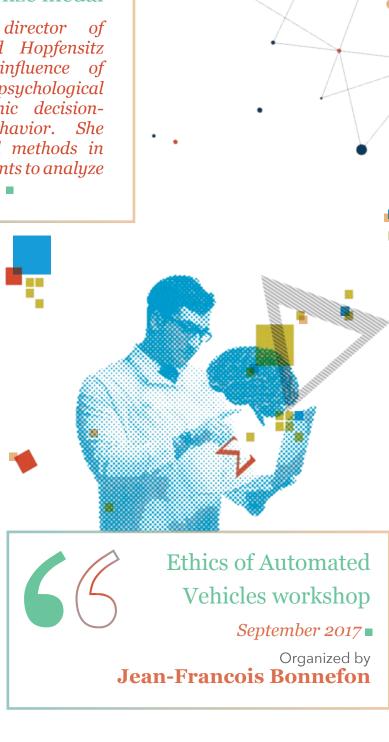
In 2017 the IAST was also joined by Nick Rawlins, Professor of Psychology at the University of Oxford as Vice-president

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International Affairs & Development and by research fellow Slimane Dridi, who holds joint training in evolutionary biology and psychology.

# Astrid Hopfensitz awarded 2017 CNRS bronze medal

IAST program director of psychology Astrid Hopfensitz works on the influence of emotions and psychological traits on economic decision-making and behavior. She uses psychological methods in economic experiments to analyze real-life situations.



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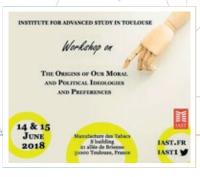
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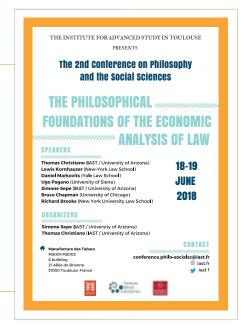


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- 4th IAST-TSE Conference in Political Economy and Political Science: Assessing Democratic Institutions
- IAST & Max Planck Institute for the Science of Human History Workshop
- The 5th Toulouse Economics and Biology Workshop
- Explaining Institutional Change in History
- IAST Scientific Council 5th anniversary conference
- The 1st Conference on Philosophy and the Social Sciences: Inequality, Fairness and Markets
- Workshop on the Ethics of Automated Vehicles
- Corporate Law and Economic Theory
- The Origins of Music in Non-State Societies

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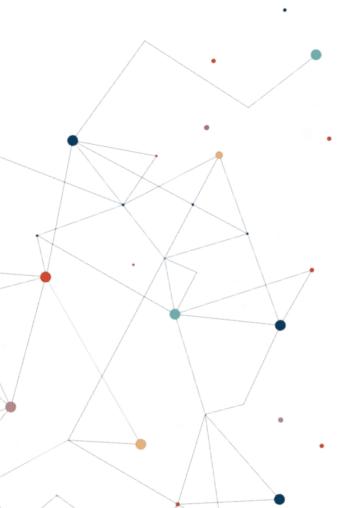
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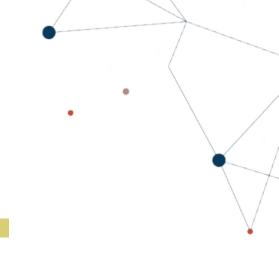
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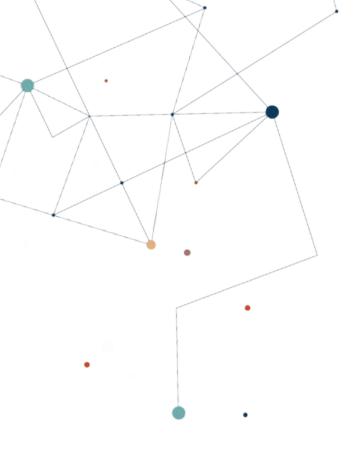
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