Dear Reader,

The German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) has been located in the UN-City of Bonn for almost 20 years now. Today, our Institute is surrounded by more than 250 (inter)national organisations based in the area that work in the field of sustainability. To many of them DIE has strong working relationships. Recently, during an open house day at the Federal President’s second official residence – the Villa Hammerschmidt in Bonn –, we took the opportunity to present to the general public a new regional network that deals with sustainability and global change: the Bonn Alliance for Sustainability Research. This network brings together the University of Bonn, the United Nations University Institute for the Environment and Human Security as well as several non-university research institutions, among these the DIE. Founded in 2017 during COP23 in Bonn, the network will cooperate closely within the next years in the areas of research, training and knowledge transfer. At the occasion of the open house, the Alliance showcased its research on digitization, bioeconomy as well as mobility and migration.

Climate and sustainability issues formed the core of the 48th Sessions of the Subsidiary Bodies for Implementation (SB 48), which took place again in Bonn in May. Our project „Klimalog - Research and dialogue for a climate-smart and just transformation“ – funded by the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development – participated in many different ways in this „Bonn Climate Change Conference“. A special focus was placed on the „Talanoa Dialogue“ initiated by the Fiji Presidency during COP23, to which DIE was also invited to contribute.

The fact that the transformation to sustainability also requires a structural change of the world economy was recently debated in the high-ranking workshop „Green transformation and competitive advantage“ at DIE.

Alongside with scientific collaborations, DIE follows from time to time unconventional ways to work with partners from different backgrounds on sustainability. Together with SDSN Germany, Engagement Global and curator Adrienne Goehler, we are showing the exhibit „examples to follow! expeditions in aesthetics and sustainability“ in Bonn. It focuses on the cultural dimension of sustainability and a visual handling of it. With events, guided tours and formats for school classes, DIE helps to promote a new public debate on sustainability issues. The exhibition is also part of the European Week for Sustainable Development and the German Action Days for Sustainability 2018. If you can’t make it to Bonn, get some impressions here.

Imme Scholz

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**Board of Trustees with new chairperson**

On 8 June 2018 the Board of Trustees of the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungs-politik (DIE) met, and elected the State Secretary at the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Martin Jäger, as its chairperson. Another new member in the Board of Trustees is Annette Storsberg, State Secretary at the Ministry of Culture and Science of the German State of North Rhine-Westphalia, who has been elected as deputy chairperson.

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**Prof. Messner moving to United Nations University**

For 15 years, **Dirk Messner** has been leading the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE). Since then, the number of researchers has increased from around 20 to more than 80 people. Over the past few years, DIE has established itself in the top level group of world-wide development think tanks. In October 2018, Dirk Messner will move to the United Nations University and head the „Institute for Environmental und Human Security“ (UNU-EHS), which is located in Bonn.

Messner said about his move: „Leading DIE has been a pleasure. We have achieved a lot and established strong international research- and policy networks. DIE is a very important voice in the German, European and global development research and politics. After 15 years, I have decided to take up a new challenge. The global interaction between the 13 UNU institutes is very exciting. The concept of a university that takes care of central problems of the humanity, developing solutions oriented towards the global common good is a strong one. The more open multilateralism is attacked from different sides, the more importance this concept will gain. UNU-EHS is a strong research institution with international reach. I would like to focus on important future questions with my colleagues there: How can managing risks of world climate change results be connected to the strengthening of social cohesion in societies? How are the erosion of governance capacities, migration, the degradation of the international system and the transition in the earth system linked with each other? How does digitization change the transformation to sustainabilty?"

**General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR**

On 25 May, the new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) came into force. It is designed to ensure that people are aware of how their personal information is collected, used and protected. The protection of your data is also important to us. Find out in detail about the collection, processing and use of your personal data in our updated Data Policy.

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**Research News**

**Summit of advisory council members**

On 23 May 2018, the chairs of about a dozen central research advisory councils of the German Federal Government met for the first time in Berlin upon the invitation of the „Science Platform Sustainability 2030“,...
which has been appointed by the Federal Government.

At this „Summit of Advisory council members“ the chairpersons discussed with representatives of departments and the chancellery, which political priorities should be put on the current legislative period’s agenda, and how the council members could contribute to support the government in implementing its ambitious sustainability strategy.

The Co-Chair of the Science Platform Sustainability 2030, Dirk Messner moderated the event. The participating council members agreed to continue this discussion process to enhance the scientific advice of politics.

New Blog on Future of Globalisation

On 4 April 2018, the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) started a new blog on the “Future of Globalisation” edited by Axel Berger, senior researcher in the Programme Transformation of Economic and Social Systems, and Sven Grimm, Co-Chair of the Programme Inter- and Transnational Cooperation with the Global South. The new blog section provides a platform for debates on current world economic issues, global power shifts, and views on the roles of formal and informal global governance institutions such as the G20. The blog entries, posted every first and third Wednesday of a month, are written by researchers of the DIE and international partners, amongst them numerous prestigious think tanks from rising powers. While aiming at cutting-edge research content, the blog intends to reach a broader audience of researchers, government officials and journalists. Please access the blog here.

Launch of INCCCETT 4 CB

On 7 May, the DIE hosted the network meeting of the “International Climate Change Centres of Excellence and Think Tanks for Capacity Building” (INCCCETT 4 CB) back-to-back with the Bonn Climate Change Conference 2018 (SB48). During the meeting, the thirteen members signed a memorandum of understanding to formalise their cooperation with Imme Scholz signing for the DIE. The keynote lectures were held by Bouzekri Razi (Head of Department Climate Change and Green Economy, State Secretariat for Sustainable Development, Kingdom of Morocco) and Norbert Gorißen (Head of Division International Climate Finance, International Climate Initiative Federal Ministry of the Environment, Nature Conservancy and Nuclear Safety BMU, Germany). Klimalog head Steffen Bauer moderated the event, Klimalog researcher Denise Matias gave a talk on „Transdisciplinary research cooperation on slow onset climate events”.

The initiative goes back to the presidency of COP22 (Marrakesh 2016) and aims at creating a research network to build up capacities in the context of the Paris Climate Agreement. Focus is a scientific south-south-north-cooperation. The DIE is a founding member.

DIE provides background papers for joint United Nations/World Bank study on conflict prevention

In March 2018, the UN and World Bank presented their first ever joint flagship report: “Pathways for Peace: Inclusive Approaches to Preventing Violent Conflict”. The report calls for scaling up preventive action and emphasizes the importance of inclusiveness. Two background papers by DIE researchers from the BMZ financed project “Supporting sustainable peace” fed into the report. In the first, Charlotte Fiedler looks at how specific political institutions affect a country’s risk of experiencing conflict recurrence. She finds that certain institutional constraints – strong high courts and legislatures – as well as channels of participation – local elections and an active civil society – can reduce a country’s risk of experiencing conflict recurrence. The second background paper, by Charlotte Fiedler, Jörn Grävingholt and Karina Mross, takes a closer look at the
effect of external support provided in post conflict countries. It finds that
1. international support can clearly make a difference in post-conflict situations,
2. peacekeeping is but one important component of effective post-conflict support and
3. supporting governance can be an alternative international strategy of effective peace support.

The main results of both papers have been published on the World Bank blog created in connection to the report:
- Paper 1: Importance of political institutions
- Paper 2: Identifying patterns of support

**The World in 2050 – Report to implement the 2030 Agenda**

On the occasion of the High Level Political Forum on Sustainable Development at the United Nations in New York, the research consortium „The World in 2050“ (TWI2050) will present a report that demonstrates how the Agenda 2030 and the Paris convention can be implemented specifically and in different world regions. This report proves that all countries need to forward comprehensive, but also feasible changes in economy and society in order to stop dangerous global environmental change and the erosion of social cohesion in parts of the global society.

In the context of TWI2050, DIE cooperates with partners like Columbia University, the Institute for Integrated Assessment Analysis/Vienna and the Potsdam Institute for Climate Impact Research. Dirk Messner, Julia Leininger and Ines Dombrowsky coordinate the DIE team.

**Policy advice for the G20 on sustainable development**

Researchers from DIE continue to participate in the task forces of the T20, an international network of think tanks and research institutes which develop policy proposals for the G20. During the German G20 presidency (2016/17) the T20 process was chaired by DIE together with the Kiel Institute for the World Economy (IfW). This year, the T20 process is led by the Argentine Center for the Implementation of Public Policy for Equity and Growth (CIPPEC) and the Argentine Council for International Relations (CARI).

DIE uses its participation in the T20 process to bring its expertise on issues of sustainable global development and its networks with think tanks from the global South into the G20 process. In co-operation with researchers from other G20 countries, researchers from DIE submit policy proposals to the G20 on effective coordination and reporting for the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, on development-friendly policies for the migration of highly skilled workers, and emphasize that urban infrastructures are crucial for combating climate change.

The **T20 Africa Standing Group**, co-initiated by DIE, supports deeper cooperation between the G20 and African countries and regional organisations to implement and deepen existing G20 initiatives. Against heated trade policy debates, DIE-researchers make concrete recommendations on how to reform the G20’s monitoring of protectionist measures, combating tax competition and improving investment facilitation. These policy recommendations are published in T20 Policy Briefs and are discussed with G20 policy-makers.

On 23 and 24 October 2018, DIE will host the conference “G20 @ 10: Benefits, limitations and the future of global club governance in turbulent times” in cooperation with Chatham House and the Shanghai Institutes for International Studies.

Further information on the activities of DIE on G20 topics can be found in our online special: [www.die-gdi.de/en/g20/](http://www.die-gdi.de/en/g20/)
News from DIE-projects

Klimalog-project

Bonn Climate Change Conference

From 30 April to 10 May the Klimalog project was involved in many different ways in the “48th Sessions of the UNFCCC Subsidiary Bodies”. During the first week of the negotiations the DIE presented the project and its online tools at a booth in the exhibition area.

On 30 April, Klimalog organised an official UNFCCC SB48 side event, spearheaded by Denise Margaret Matias. The event featured the key messages from the 15th “Development and Climate Days” held during COP 23 in Bonn. On 2 May Sander Chan and Jacopo Bencini organised an official SB 48 Side Event in cooperation with York University and Fundación Ávina on “Boosting non-Party climate action through Talanoa: Insights from research, policy, and practice.”

On 3 and 4 May the DIE hosted the workshop „The Tipping Point Negotiations – A Negotiation Simulation for Non-Party Stakeholders“ with Purdue University, Utrecht University, and Glasgow Caledonian University on initiative of Sander Chan. Workshop participants joined a climate negotiation simulation with a long time-horizon (2118), stepping into the shoes of diplomats representing different countries in the UNFCCC. Their negotiations and decisions focused on climate tipping points and global temperature goals to generate synergistic visions of “Where do we want to go?” and “How do we get there?” that have broad support among multiple stakeholder groups.

Members of the Klimalog team were invited by the UNFCCC as experts to the “Talanoa Dialogue” of the COP23 und COP24 presidency (Denise Matias as one of only 90 non-party stakeholders) to the “Workshop on ways of enhancing the implementation of education, training, public awareness, public participation and public access to information” (Astrid Dirksen) and the “Dialogue on Action for Climate Empowerment” (Hannah Janetschek from the project Implementing the 2030 Agenda).

Britta Horstmann acted as a rapporteur on the topic of risk retention at the Suva expert dialogue upon invitation of the UNFCCC Secretariat and the Executive Committee of the Warsaw International Mechanism for Loss and Damage. The reports will inform the preparation of a technical paper which was mandated by Parties at COP 22.

Partners for Review 4th Network Meeting

Partners for Review (P4R) is a stakeholder forum that fosters partnership and learning across stakeholders for reporting on their progress on implementing the Sustainable Development Goals. P4R secretariat is hosted by GIZ and funded by BMZ and BMU. On 11-12 April 2018 their fourth network meeting took place in Tbilisi, Georgia and brought together approximately 130 stakeholders from all over the world to discuss lessons learnt from the past High Level Political Forum.
(HLPF) and follow-up and review process for the next HLPF 2018 in New York. The agenda contained working groups on opportunities and challenges for Voluntary National Reviews as well as procedural aspects of how to make the HLPF a platform for meaningful exchange. Moreover, it discussed issues of how to address big data challenges, integrate human rights perspectives across the SDGs and the role of sub-national perspectives on SDG implementation.

Based on the analysis of the NDC-SDG Connections tool, Hannah Janetschek was invited to lead the discussion in a working group about linking the 2030 Agenda with the Paris Climate Agreement. The working group revealed very interesting insights into how governments approach institutional barriers to meaningfully align the two agendas in national implementation as well as in international reporting mechanisms.

**Klimalog at the movies**

Denise Matias represented the DIE on 23 May at the premiere of the movie „Guardians of the Earth“ at the “Neue Filmbühne” in Bonn. She discussed the background of the Paris Climate Agreement, which was depicted in the movie, together with director Filip Antoni Malinowski, the political director of Greenpeace, Daniel Mittler, Kathrin Schroeder from Misereor, and environmental activist Vandana Shiva, and answered questions from the audience.

**UN-DESA Expert Group Meeting**

The Division for Sustainable Development of the United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs (UN DESA/DSD) invited to an Expert Group Meeting (EGM) on “Sustainable Consumption and Production” to be held on 3-4 May 2018 at the United Nations Headquarters in New York in preparation of the 2018 HLPF thematic review of SDG 12. Hannah Janetschek (DIE) and Adis Dzebo (SEI) presented the findings from the NDC-SDG Connections analysis with regard to SDG 12 and participated in the expert discussions.

The two days expert meeting discussed particularly the interlinkages of the implementation of policies, mechanisms and partnerships to ensure sustainable consumption and production patterns (SCP) for SDG 12 with other SDGs. Achieving SDG 12 can unfold catalytic effects for a multitude of SDGs, experts from governments, civil society and academia discussed state of the art and implementation mechanisms to achieve sustainable consumption and production through the lens of „climate action“ (SDG 13), „oceans“ (SDG 14), “transport” (SDG 11) and „food security“ (SDG 2).

**Klimalog @Innovate4Climate**

On 24 May, Klimalog joined the German Pavilion of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) and the Federal Ministry of the Environment, Nature Conservation and Nuclear Safety (BMU) at the Innovate4Climate fair in Frankfurt, and hosted a panel discussion. Moderator Jonas Keil discussed with Rob Fowler (Climate Bonds Initiative) and Antje Schneeweiß (Südwind-Institut) how green bonds can contribute to bridging the gap in the required investment for climate action and the green transformation. The debate focused on the important role of transparency. While green bonds are a promising financial instrument for mobilising the required capital especially in industrialised and emerging economies, transparent standards and information regarding the use of green bond proceeds need to be strengthened further.

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**Links**

**Video**

Introducing: The use of NDC data analysis for climate investments
Meteorologists at the DIE

On 11 May Klimalog head Steffen Bauer welcomed a delegation of the student’s meteorology conference (StuMeTa 2018) at the DIE. He introduced them to the project as well as the institute’s work and discussed the relevance of the Paris Agreement for global climate policy with them. The discussion centred on the question how different scientific disciplines can support progress in international climate policy.

Building site(s) Sustainability

On 7 June, Klimalog head Steffen Bauer spoke on the occasion of the 20th anniversary of the Netzwerk Entwicklungspolitik Saarland (network development policy Saarland) at the kick-off event of the new series “Baustelle(n) Nachhaltigkeit” (Building site(s) Sustainability) in the Moderne Galerie Saarbrücken. In his opening lecture “Vom Umbau globaler Entwicklung?” (On the rebuilding of global development?) he reviewed topics and trends in development policy during the past twenty years and analysed their implications for the designing of the future of development policy and the implementation of the 2030 Agenda on Sustainable Development.

FES-Workshop in Vietnam

The Climate Change Working Group (CCWG) in Vietnam, with support from Friedrich-Ebert Stiftung, invited DIE researchers Hannah Janetschek, Quynh Nguyen and Gabriela Iacobuta as well as Stockholm Environment Institute (SEI) researcher Adis Dzebo to conduct research and produce a policy brief on the interconnections between the Paris Agreement (PA) and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the Vietnamese context, focussing on participation from civil society organisations. This research was presented on 23 May in Hanoi, Vietnam at the international conference ‘Connections between Implementation of Paris Agreement and the Sustainable Development Goals’, where two DIE researchers were also part of the panel discussion. The conference brought together Vietnamese policy makers as well as national and international researchers, civil society organisation and development organisations, facilitating valuable exchange between the different parties and highlighting a strong commitment on all sides to enhance the integration of the two international agendas in implementation processes in the Vietnamese context.

Building on this valuable knowledge exchange and the findings from a document analysis on SDG and NDC commitments (Policy Brief forthcoming), DIE and SEI organised a one-day workshop (24 May) for CCWG members - a network of INGOs, Vietnamese NGOs, development agencies, institutions, professionals and individuals working on climate-related issues. This workshop equipped participants with a better understanding of the thematic linkages between the PA and the SDGs and how to use NDC-SDG Connections to assess the Vietnamese NDCs from a SDG perspective. Finally, the workshop facilitated the co-development of strategies that CCWG members could follow to enhance the impact of their actions.

DIE in dialogue with citizens of Bonn at open house at Villa Hammerschmidt and BMZ

On 24 June, the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) took part in the open house at Villa Hammerschmidt and at the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and De-
development (BMZ) in Bonn. Villa Hammer-schmidt is the second official residence of the German President besides the one in Berlin; it is usually not open to the public. DIE displayed its research in both areas: In the park of Villa Hammerschmidt, German and international research institutions had been invited to present their work, and at the same time celebrating the 200th anniversary of the University of Bonn. In more than 20 pavilions visitors learned about a variety of topics ranging from the food of the future, mobility, health to environmental topics. DIE presented its work on migration, refugees, and displacement within the Bonn Alliance for Sustainability Research. The regional network cooperates in the field of research, training and knowledge transfer, dealing with topics like mobility and migration, biodiversity, digitization and artificial intelligence. In 2017, DIE has been one of the founding members of this network during COP23 together with the University of Bonn and its Center for Development Research, the Bonn International Center for Conversion (BICC), the United Nations University - Institute for Environment and Human Security and the Hochschule Bonn-Rhein-Sieg.

On the area of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), DIE presented its project Klimalog, which works on promoting a climate-just transformation, and the MUPASS project, which investigates public procurement as a lever for fair and sustainable production. MUPASS is led by the DIE in cooperation with Engagement Global and Servicestelle Kommunen in der Ein- en Welt (SKEW). At the DIE tent, visitors had the chance to contribute something themselves by outing on record what they will change for climate and environment in the future in a photo. Those commitments were published on Facebook and Twitter with the hashtag #dabeifursklima (#inforclimate). The day was perfected by a varied programme on stage, international music, discussions, and tours through the Villa Hammerschmidt and the Kanzlerbungalow (former private house of the German chancellor).

News from the Project
“Effective development cooperation for achieving the 2030 Agenda”

Side Event at 6th Biennial High-level Meeting of the Development Coopera- tion Forum (DCF)

At this year’s Development Cooperation For- rum, held from 21 to 22 May in New York, DIE hosted a side event together with the Network of Southern Think Tanks (NeST). About 40 participants (decision-makers, representatives from international organisations, delegates, researchers, etc.) attended the side event “Effective Development Cooperation for achieving the 2030 Agenda: Convergence and Divergence of Official Development Assistance and South-South Cooperation” and engaged in the discussion – moderated by Stephan Klingebiel – on the strategic role of development cooperation in achieving the 2030 Agenda. Short inputs on three guiding questions were provided by seven panelists (André de Mello e Souza, Elizabeth Sidiropoulos, Qi Gubo, Milindo Chakrabarti, Vitalice Meja, Uwe Gehlen, Shamshad Akhtar) from different backgrounds who demanded

1. more institutional oversight to guide the creation of shared norms, standards and
procedures and to lead actors towards shared expectations,

2. a scaling-up of public investments instead of only private investments, which are seen as investments that come along with new challenges, and

3. more accountability of all actors but particularly of governments.

The discussion benefitted greatly from different points of view that the panelists expressed, for example, with regard to a growing convergence or divergence between providers of South-South Cooperation and OECD DAC donors. While some panellists provided examples for the growing dichotomy and fragmentation of approaches in development cooperation, others related to cases such as the Global Partnership for Effective Development Co-operation to argue against the perception of a growing divergence.

**Expert Workshop “Development Cooperation for Achieving the 2030 Agenda: The Way Forward”**

Back-to-back with the Development Cooperation Forum, DIE organised together with the Network of Southern Think Tanks (NeST) and in cooperation with the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung New York Office an expert workshop on the topic “Development cooperation for achieving the 2030 Agenda: The way forward”, held on 23 May in New York. In five sessions 15 researchers from different countries, disciplines and research areas and about 40 additional experts engaged in a frank and open exchange on current issues in development cooperation. The workshop was dedicated to bring together existing and ongoing research on development cooperation and to direct discussions towards implications for the BAPA+40 conference in 2019, with workshop contributions featuring in an upcoming joint publication. Throughout the workshop, the need to enhance and improve South-South Cooperation and Triangular Cooperation to implement the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) was emphasised many times—also in the keynote speech given by Jorge Chediek (director of the United Nations Office for South-South Cooperation), who further explained the current process of organizing the Second High-level United Nations Conference on South-South Cooperation (BAPA+40 Conference) to be held in Buenos Aires from 20 to 22 March 2019. By focusing specifically on different problem areas in development cooperation, the speakers introduced new concepts and specific cases that were discussed with invited UN delegates and experts from a broad range of organisations working on aid and development effectiveness and South-South Cooperation. The workshop built on previous academic and political events hosted by DIE on the global development architecture (held in Paris 2017, Berlin 2017, Johannesburg 2017, Nairobi 2016, New York 2016 and Mexico City 2014).
News from the Postgraduate Training Programme

Graduation of the 53rd Postgraduate Course

On 30 May, DIE staff bade farewell to the participants of the 53rd Postgraduate Training Programme. In her farewell address, DIE’s Deputy Director Imme Scholz related to her impressions from the Global Solutions Summit that took place in Berlin on 28-29 May. She emphasised that development cooperation will undergo a fundamental transformation against the background of a changing world order, the emergence of new powers, and a distressed multilateralism. Encouraging the alumni to apply their acquired knowledge and gained experiences to meet resulting challenges, she wished them all the best for their future career.

The head of the Postgraduate Training Programme Regine Mehl looked back on the various occasions on which the course prepared the alumni for the challenges of professional work life and highlighted the three events that participants had organised: a huge panel discussion with more than 70 participants, a two-day negotiation training, and a training on critical whiteness. Lisa Gürth and Florian Münch, spokespersons of the 2017-2018 cohort, on behalf of the course expressed their gratitude for DIE staff members’ guidance, support, and cooperation throughout the whole course. Reflecting upon nine months of inspiring debates, fascinating insights, continuous learning, and collective growth in Bonn and abroad, they emphasised that they were looking forward to stay in touch with DIE. Over the next few weeks, the alumni will start their job entries in development cooperation in Germany and abroad. Most of them plan to return to DIE on 7 September, when the biennial Alumni conference, followed by the traditional garden party, will take place. Meanwhile, team leaders and members of the three research teams are eagerly working on preparing the publication of their research results. The three research teams focused on the transformative potential of civil society networks on regional governance in the SADC region, the social dimension of ecosystem-based adaptation to climate change in Colombia, and sustainable public procurement in Costa Rica.

Staff news

Ulrich Volz as Visiting Professor at the Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO)

Ulrich Volz spent one week in May at the Institute of Developing Economies, Japan External Trade Organization (IDE-JETRO) in Chiba in the Greater Tokyo Area. During his stay, he taught an intensive course on “Finance and Development” at the IDE Advanced School (IDEAS). IDEAS was founded in 1990 with the purpose of training front-line development specialists in the field of economic development and economic cooperation.

Ulrich Volz also gave a talk at IDE on “Climate Risk and the Cost of Debt”.

Guest researcher Murad Ali returns to Pakistan

Murad Ali (PhD), scientist at the Universi-
ty of Makaland, Pakistan, will return to his home university at the end of July, after working at the German Development Institute / Deutsches Institut für Entwicklungspolitik (DIE) in Stephan Klingebiel’s team for two years. Mr. Murad Ali is an expert on questions concerning development policy efficacy. Within the frame of a scholarship granted by the Alexander-von-Humboldt foundation he produced various refereed and non-refereed publications dealing with the multifarious aspects of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Pakistan and the role of the China-Pakistan Economic Corridor (CPEC) under the grand Chinese Belt and Road Initiative (BRI). His studies contributed to several international debates on South-South-Cooperation and the 2030 Agenda, among others to the UN Development Cooperation Forum (DCF) and the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation (GPEDC).

Event Highlights

Nexus 2018 Conference on Water, Energy, Food and Climate Security

The second Nexus Conference of the Water Institute, University of Chapel Hill, took place from April 16-18 in North Carolina. The conference focused on the six SDGs that were selected for thematic review this year at the HLPF and which also mirror the interconnections in the water-energy-food Nexus debate: SDG 6 (water), 7 (energy), 11 (cities), 12 (responsible production and consumption, 15 (life on land) and 17 (partnerships) plus and SDG 2 (zero hunger).

The panels and workshops were a meaningful combination of cross-cutting issues such as food security and production, building resilience in cities, water-energy linkages and governance questions across all Nexus sectors and different levels of stakeholder engagement. Hannah Janetschek presented three think pieces from DIE research:

1. How to advance WEF-Nexus thinking to catalyze for integrated SDG implementation,
2. What do we know about interdependencies, illustrating findings from the NDC-SDG Connection analysis and
3. What is a nexus situation and what is needed to govern the WEF-Nexus to deal with trade-offs.

For more information, see the current column “For the integrated realization of the Sustainable Development Goals”.

DIE data tool “Constellations of State Fragility” presented to Berlin expert community

On 16 May, the DIE researchers Jörn Grävingholt and Constantin Ruhe – on invitation of the Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) – introduced the new DIE online data tool “Constellations of State Fragility” to the expert community in Berlin. The data tool, freely available on www.statefragility.info, visualises patterns and trends of State Fragility in 171 countries. It allows users to analyse and compare deficits in statehood of single countries, groups of countries globally going back to 2005.
The data visualisation builds on the typology of fragile states, which was developed by DIE and informs the Guidelines for Crises Prevention of the German Federal Government. The data tool now allows intuitive access to this data, helping decision makers in politics, administration and society to better inform their work.

The invitation of the BMZ allowed the two researchers to explain the theoretical and methodological background of the underlying typology as well as the diverse functions of the online tool.

In the ensuing discussion many participants from federal ministries, development agencies, foundations and NGOs got their questions answered. They also shared their ideas for future research: Particular interest for prognosis capabilities, e.g. early crisis detection was one suggestion. The lively debate showed that the “Constellations of Fragility” as presented in the typology and data tool can serve as basis for this aim. In general, the participants showed great interest and indicated that they will inform their work with the help of the data tool – for which DIE is planning on updates on a regular basis.

**Sustainability and Digitization**

On 25 May, the Federal Minister of the Environment, Svenja Schulze invited an international high level task force to Villa Borsig in order to discuss, how EU’s environment and sustainability politics could make progress in the next decade and towards 2050. DIE-Director Dirk Messner gave a keynote speech in which he pointed out the necessity to connect the digital revolution and dynamics of artificial intelligence with transformations towards sustainability.

The STEER project follows a transdisciplinary approach and thus places particular weight on the meaningful involvement of stakeholders. To ensure the relevance of the research as well as the intelligibility of the analytical steps, project researchers discuss conceptual decisions with local stakeholders in a co-design process, and will do the same for solution strategies that are identified later on in the project.

**Germany and the United Nations: Discussion with Achim Steiner, head of the UN Development Programme**

Multilateralism is in a crisis – this is also and especially felt at the United Nations (UN). What can Germany do for the UN in order to promote sustainable development and maintain the foundations of a rule-based
international order? And in return, what can the UN do for Germany? On 14 June 2018, the UN Research project invited about 30 distinguished participants from Parliament, ministries, academia and civil society to Berlin in order to discuss these questions with Achim Steiner, Administrator of the UN Development Program UNDP and alumni of DIE’s Postgraduate Training Programm.

Steiner pointed to fundamental social and political changes – increased wealth and welfare worldwide, coupled with more inequalities, resurging nationalisms in the face of problems without passports such as Ebola. Development cooperation in the age of the 2030 Agenda – the “declaration of interdependence” must not any longer be informed by charity but instead be acknowledged as a contribution to securing our common global future. In a critical appraisal of Germany’s contributions to multilateralism and the reform of UN development cooperation, he called for an increase of the already substantial German commitments and a more strategic approach to strengthening and shaping multilateralism at the UN. He pledged for Germany to step-up its core contributions to the UN development system: each dollar invested as core mobilises another $99 in contributions from others. Against the backdrop of acute threats to the world and global order on the one hand and immense chances created by technical progress and the fruits of globalization, a lively debate developed. Moderator Silke Weinlich concluded the event by appealing to actors at the UN to define firmer boundaries in light of member states’ attempts to bilateralise UN development cooperation.

Industry 4.0

From 28 to 29 May, DIE hosted the workshop “Industry 4.0: Challenges for productivity, employment and inclusion”. More than 100 participants explored the economic and social implications of emerging trends in new digital production technologies, their impact on national economies and the global economic systems and the role of policy in steering the digital revolution in a socially desirable direction. Innovative digital technologies are disruptive in nature and have far-reaching consequences for all three dimensions of sustainable development: They

1. affect future patterns of productivity, competitiveness and employment,

2. exert a strong influence on education and skill requirements, and income distribution, and

3. have the potential to contribute to increased resource-efficiency and ultimately, a decoupling of resource consumption from economic growth.

Moreover, from a broader perspective, digital technologies will also play a role in determining the future position of developing countries in the global economy. With more than 40 speakers from academia, international organisations, the private sector and unions, the workshop made very clear that we are at the beginning of a profound structural transformations. Whether societies at large will benefit from new digital opportu-
nities or whether benefits will be captured by small elites, with mass unemployment and widespread tax evasion depends on the way national governments and international bodies will shape the rules of the digital economy. Assisting developing country governments in enacting the necessary reforms will become an important new role for development cooperation.

The workshop was organized by Tilman Altenburg and Wilfried Lütkenhorst in collaboration with the UN Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean with support from BMZ and GIZ. The background study by Wilfried Lütkenhorst can be found here.

Powerpoint presentations are available here.

Working together to improve water management in Mongolia

On 29 and 30 May 2018, the IWRM MoMo project (Integrated Water Resources Management in Central Asia: Model Region Mongolia) had its concluding conference entitled “IWRM MoMo wrap-up and relay conference”. MoMo is funded by the German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF) in the framework of the “Research for Sustainable Development” (FONA) program. The project started in 2006 and will run until September 2018. The key objective of the third and final phase of the project was the development and implementation of strategies leading towards an integrated water resources management (IWRM) for the Mongolian model region analyzed in the project, which is characterized by multiple pressures on its water resources. The model region in focus is the Kharaa river basin located in the north-east of Mongolia. To deal with the complex challenges of an IWRM in a systematic way, MoMo III was structured into three thematic and one cross-sectional module: the development of the Kharaa river basin management plan (TM1), the implementation of a comprehensive environmental monitoring network (TM2) and the multiplication of promising water technologies (TM3). One cross-sectional module focused on knowledge transfer and capacity development (CM1). MoMo is a common effort of many project partners (e.g. UFZ, IGB, DIE, Terrestris) and allies (e.g. Mongolian Ministry of Environment and Tourism, Kharaa River Basin Authority).

Within this arrangement, Ines Dombrowsky and Jean Carlo Rodriguez of DIE closely collaborated with other MoMo partners in advising the Kharaa River Basin Authority and the Ministry of Environment and Tourism on the development of the River Basin Management Plan for the Kharaa River. They also strived to promote stakeholder participation through the constitution of the Kharaa-Yeero River Basin Council. Finally, MoMo replicated DIE’s strategy on translating research findings into policy advice through the development of German-Mongolian authored policy briefs.

10th Käte Hamburger Dialogue

Prospective migration policy: Scenario Building on relations between West Africa and Europe

How can migration between Africa (ECOWAS) and Europe (EU) change between now and 2030? The 10th Käte Hamburger Dialogue was held on 14 May in cooperation with the Interdisciplinary Center for Integration and Migration Research (InZentIM). Panelists presented and discussed findings...
of a series of scenario workshops that took place in Berlin, Dakar (Senegal) and Brussels in 2017.

During these workshops 30 experts had developed future scenarios for European and West African migration policy. Two participants, Petra Bendel (University of Erlangen-Nuremberg) and Stephen Adamwen, Almuni Fellow (KHKGCR21) presented these scenarios spanning from conflicting to equal partnerships. Experts Volker Heins (University of Duisburg-Essen), Research Group Leader at KHK/GCR21, and Benjamin Schraven from the German Development Institute discussed impacts of these scenarios for migration research and possible new strands in this field. Scholars should be sensitized about the challenge to base migration research on valuable empirical foundations. It was also mentioned that migration is rarely conceptualized as problem solving, which would provide a chance for finding creative solutions in the field of migration policies.

The event was moderated by Tobias Debiel (University of Duisburg-Essen), co-director of the Centre. Elisabeth Braune (Friedrich Ebert Foundation) opened the evening together with Markus Böckenförde, executive director of the Centre, and Nobert Jegelka (Director of InZentIM).

Results of scenario workshops were published bi-lingual in the Centre’s Global Dialogues Series.

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