



Executive Committee



Richard Chenhall

Richard has lived and worked in the U.S., U.K. and Japan and is currently Senior Research Fellow at the Menzies School of Health Research in Darwin, Australia. Richard has broad experience in the fields of public health, education, and indigenous health, specifically in research, fundraising and government consultancy (policy advisory). Richard has also published widely on the subjects of substance misuse, anthropology and public health. As well as being interested in many health-specific innovations, such as the development of a national framework for the evaluation of Indigenous alcohol and drug treatment centers, and informing government policy and funding regarding Indigenous public health education, Richard is also adept at understanding how to develop and improve the research and advocacy capacity of a variety of organizations.



Tim Crosland

Tim graduated from Oxford University with a degree in Latin and Greek literature and philosophy before converting to law. After qualifying as a barrister he worked for 6 years in private practice specializing in criminal law, also undertaking *pro bono* work in the USA for appellants on death row. More recently he has been providing legal and policy advice to various governmental and public sector organizations focusing on human rights, immigration provisions, and law enforcement powers. Tim has an LLM in International Human Rights Law.

Working with OICD Tim is looking to develop international models for addressing nationalist and sectarian instability and for promoting social integration of minorities. Models will cover issues such as:

- Mechanisms for conflict resolution
- Approaches to recognizing and compensating historic injustice
- Representation within government and other public sector institutions
- Limitations on cultural freedom
- Immigration and security policies
- Housing, education and welfare policies

- Local initiatives

Through OICD Tim can assist in advising governmental and non-governmental agencies on developing social integration programs, and strategies for addressing sectarian instability.



Mark Davidheiser

Mark is Assistant Professor of Conflict Resolution and Socio-Cultural Anthropology at Nova Southeastern University. He specializes in Islamic African Societies and Conflict Analysis and Transformation. He has studied conflict management at multiple institutions, been trained as a mediator and an inter-cultural negotiator, volunteered as a mediator in a victim-offender reconciliation program, and assisted in the training of prospective mediators. His field research has examined conflict and peace in the Navajo Nation, The Gambia, Eritrea, and Senegal. Other research interests of his include socio-economic development, governance, legal reform and social justice, and displacement and resettlement.

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Patricia Foxen

Patricia Foxen (PhD 2002; MA 1994, McGill University; MPH 1990, Columbia University) is the Associate Director of Research at the National Council of La Raza (NCLR), the largest Hispanic civil rights and advocacy organization in the United States. Dr. Foxen is a Cultural and Medical Anthropologist who has been on faculty at Vanderbilt University and the University of Toronto, and has worked as a researcher at the Women's Health Program, Toronto General Hospital and the Transcultural Psychiatry Department, Montreal Children's Hospital. Her areas of interest include violence and post-war reconstruction, migration and displacement, health and psychosocial well-being, and cultural identity in the Americas; she has worked extensively with Central American immigrant and refugee populations in the US and Canada. She is the author of "In Search of Providence: Transnational Mayan Identities" (Vanderbilt University Press 2007), an ethnographic account of the transnational passages of K'iche' Indians straddled between the war-torn Guatemalan highlands and the inner-city of Providence, Rhode Island. Prior to entering the field of anthropology, her work focused on the implementation of maternal and child health and family planning projects in Latin America and Mexico.



Henry Jeffrey

Henry studied social sciences and politics in the UK culminating in a PhD in Industrial Relations and Management at University College, Cardiff. Returning to Guyana, Henry took up a Senior Lecturer position, becoming Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Director of the Graduate School at the University of Guyana. From 1992 to 2008 Henry worked in politics and held a variety of high level posts in the Guyana government including: Minister of Labour, Housing, Human Services and Social Security, Minister of Health and Labour, Minister of Education, and Minister of Foreign Trade and International Cooperation. Henry has published a variety of books and articles on politics and development in Guyana and has authored a wide range of policies and bills to bring concrete positive change to his native nation. Henry brings a wealth of academic, social, economic and political experience and expertise to the OICD.



Tamara Kohn

Tammy received her first degree in anthropology at the University of California, Berkeley followed by an MA at the University of Pennsylvania. After this she spent three years living on an island in the Inner Hebrides, culminating in a social anthropology DPhil thesis for Oxford University entitled 'Seasonality and identity in a changing Hebridean community'. Immediately after completing her thesis, she spent two years conducting post-doctoral research in the hills of East Nepal, focusing primarily on the linguistic and cultural identity of the Yakha and women who married into the community from other ethnic groups. Her two vastly different field experiences in Scotland and Nepal were linked by common interest in incomers and cultural change. After returning to the UK she taught at Oxford Polytechnic and Oxford University and the University of Durham before joining the School of Philosophy, Anthropology and Social Inquiry in Melbourne. Recent research interests have included the study of trans-cultural communities of practice (ranging from caring practice to embodied experiences in sports and arts), the anthropologies of food and the body, and migration.

More info at:

<http://www.pasi.unimelb.edu.au/anthropology/staff/kohn/>



Yuko Nishimura

Yuko acquired her Ph.D. at the London School of Economics based on her fieldwork in a South Indian village. Her book "Gender, Kinship and Womanhood among the Nagarattars in South India" is published by

Oxford University Press. Yuko is professor at Komazawa University, Tokyo, where she teaches cultural studies, which includes an interest in how NPOs interact and work with local governments. Her Japanese-language book "Grassroots NPOs and Community Building: A Challenge From Seattle" won the Japan NPO Academic Council Award in 2006. Collaborating with the Swaminathan Foundation in Tamil Nadu and with the Kerela government, her students have set up an NPO, the Japan Students Fund, to offer small loans to South Indian women of very low income. Yuko concentrates much of her non-teaching time on developing Regional Development Projects through Self-Help and Leadership training in Kovalam, Kanchipuram District, Tamil Nadu.

More info at:

<http://www.b1b2.org/YukoJTimes.htm>



Reiko Ogawa

Reiko majored in sociology and anthropology and has worked as program officer at the Japan Foundation, Asian Cultural Center for UNESCO and the Toyota Foundation organizing training workshops and supporting cultural projects in different parts of Asia. Reiko currently works as Associate Professor at Kyushu University Asia Center, Japan, undertaking research on migration, popular culture, nationalism and civil society. Among Reiko's published works are, "Community Museums in Asia", "Re-visiting the Globalism of the Periphery: Fukuoka and its 'Asianism'", "Hanlyu (Korean Wave): Changing relationships between Japanese, Korean and Korean Japanese", "The Social Imagery of Korean Wave and Korean Japanese: Consumption of Media and Identity".



Larry Thomas

Notable throughout the Pacific region as a popular playwright/writer and documentary filmmaker, Larry brings a keen understanding of how to deal with issues of identity and conflict through film, creative writing and dramatic performance. Larry holds a degree in Media and Communications from the University of Canberra.

Larry is the Coordinator of the Regional Media Centre of the Secretariat of the Pacific Community (SPC) and before that was Senior Lecturer and head of the Literature and Language Department at the University of the South Pacific (USP) and director of the Pacific Writing Forum.

Larry has worked for various other organizations, including the Fiji Broadcasting Commission in the early 1980s as a radio producer and

presenter, the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) in 1986 as a communications officer, and USP's Information Office in 1987. He then rejoined USP's Extension Services (now DFL), first as Course Development Assistant and later as Course Developer.



Bruce White

Bruce was brought up in Nigeria, New Orleans, London and Mississippi, and has lived and worked in Japan, Italy, Canada and the UK. He holds degrees in anthropology from Durham University (BA, MA), and holds an anthropology PhD from Oxford Brookes University (where he studied under the Japanese anthropologist Joy Hendry). He has taught anthropology at Durham, Oxford Brookes, Kyoto University, and holds a Lectureship at Doshisha University, Kyoto. He is a Research Fellow at the Europe-Japan Research Centre, and a member of several action-oriented research groups focusing on social science approaches to social cohesion.

Bruce has been developing the basic framework for Intra-Cultural Development since 1998 and promoted the OICD approach in many places around the world, beginning to build teams and proposals for the application of Intra-Cultural Development in Iraq, Japan, Ireland, Nigeria and the Pacific. As OICD director Bruce continues to work on expanding the organization's membership, partnerships, projects and scope of activities.

More info at:

http://www.oicd.net/Bruce_White_profile.htm

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