Dr Naureen Durrani gave the keynote presentation, *Official knowledge, citizenship identities and social cohesion in Pakistan*, at the 4th International Conference on Research in Education, Institute of Education and Research, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan, 23-25 November. 
http://icore-ier.com/KeyNoteSpeaker/International

In September, Professor Mario Novelli became the new Director of CIE. He takes over from Professor Máiréad Dunne, whose leadership over the past five and half years has seen CIE go from strength to strength. Mario is supported by incoming Deputy Director Professor Kwame Akyeampong.

Professor Mario Novelli was appointed Scientific Advisor, Network for International Policies and Cooperation in Education and Training, July 2016 – June 2017.

Professor Keith Lewin was invited to participate in discussions with the International Finance Commission, at the Royal Academy in May. The commission was due to report to the United Nations in September.

Professor Yusuf Sayed and Professor Mario Novelli, along with research partners from South Africa and Rwanda, presented UNICEF and ESRC funded research on teachers, social cohesion and peacebuilding at the South African Education Research Association (SAERA), in Cape Town, South Africa, 23-26 October 2016. They also presented a Colloquium on Teachers and Social Cohesion in Diverse Contexts in the Global South.

Professor Kwame Akyeampong (PI), Professor Pauline Rose (University of Cambridge) and Dr Ricardo Sabates (University of Cambridge & IMC Worldwide), have started research on a DFID funded project ‘Understanding Complimentary Basic Education in Ghana’.

Professor Kwame Akyeampong and Dr Sara Humphreys presented findings from the ‘Qualitative Research on Speed Schools Project in Ethiopia’ to Geneva Global Inc. Philadelphia, USA, 18-21 October 2016.

Dr Linda Morrice collaborated with colleagues from Psychology and Global Studies to hold a three-day conference in September at which they presented findings from their ESRC funded project, ‘Optimising refugee resettlement in the UK: A comparative analysis’. In November, the Guardian published a full page article on Linda’s ESRC research on Refugee Resettlement.

Dr Barbara Crossouard was invited to a meeting on ‘Transnational Higher Education’ hosted by the Chairman of the Pakistani Higher Education Commission and the British Council in Manchester on 7 October. Barbara was also invited to the launch of a British Council report entitled *Gender Equality and Empowerment of Women in the UK: Meeting the Challenge of the Sustainable Development Goals* at the House of Lords, London on 24 October.

Dr Jo Westbrook and Dr Jacqui Shepherd will travel to Kampala, Uganda in December to begin a four-year project with the University of Kyambogo, funded by Sightsavers.

Dr Naureen Durrani has been awarded a grant from the Research Opportunity Fund, University of Sussex, for her research on ‘Higher education and youth citizenship in Pakistan’.

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**Conferences**

- Dr Barbara Crossouard and Professor Máiread Dunne gave a paper with Ananga, E. D., Adu-Yeboah, C, Adzahlie-Mensah, V, on Gender and Youth Citizenship in Contexts of Postcoloniality: The marginalisation of Muslim youth in Ghana, and another paper with Dr Naureen Durrani entitled, Fracturing the Nation: Muslim youth accounts of belonging in Nigeria, Pakistan, and Senegal at the Third International Sociology Association Forum on Sociology, Vienna, Austria, 10-14 July.

- Dr Naureen Durrani facilitated two workshops: How to get published in reputed international journals, and Qualitative data analysis at the 4th International Conference on Research in Education, Institute of Education and Research, University of the Punjab, Lahore-Pakistan, 23-25 November.

- Professor Kwame Akyeampong presented the lead paper on ‘Learning Opportunities for All: The Role of Teachers’ at Nigeria’s Annual Education Conference, 8 November.

- Professor Keith Lewin shared a panel with Robert Arnowe (Indiana), Eduardo Bustillo (World Bank) and Ernesto Schiefelbein (former Minister of Education, Chile) focusing on Access, Equity and Social Justice issues. Bogota, Colombia, 10-11 November.

- Dr Barbara Crossouard was invited to present on the theme ‘Women in Science in the UK’ at a trilateral workshop jointly organised by the Australian Department of Industry, Innovation and Science (DIIS) in partnership with the Ministry of Science and Technology, India, and the British High Commission (New Delhi) on Women in STEMM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics and Medicine) in New Delhi, India, 28-30 November. The British Council invited Barbara to present on Education for Peace and Sustainable Development in a conference entitled ‘College Education for Women in the 21st Century: Opportunities and Challenges’ at Sophia College, Mumbai, 1-2 December. Whilst in India, Barbara gave two further invited presentations on Youth as Global Citizens: exploring the contemporary policy agenda at Ambedkar University, Delhi, India, 1 December, and Youth identities and global citizenship: interrogating Muslim youth narratives at the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, India, 2 December.

- Professor Máiread Dunne and Dr Kathleen Fincham presented a paper on Troubling Muslim Youth identities: nation, religion, gender focusing on the multi-religious country cases of Lebanon and Nigeria at the ‘Religion, Identity and Conflict Conference, St Mary’s University, London, 2-3 December.

- Professor Keith Lewin convened a theme on Equity and Efficiency at the XVI World Congress of Comparative and International Education Societies Conference (WCCES), Beijing, China, 22-26 August on ‘Dialectics of Education: Comparative Perspectives’ in Beijing’. Keith gave a paper on the Sustainability of the Sustainable Development Goals using data from the Asian region.

- Dr Naureen Durrani also attended, presenting a paper on Analysing educational decentralisation and social cohesion in Pakistan from the lens of sustainable peacebuilding. The conference attracted nearly 1000 delegates and was hosted by CIE’s long standing partner, Beijing Normal University.

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**SPOTLIGHT ON: ICERDA**

The University of Sussex and the University of Ghana co-hosted the 2nd International Conference on Education Research for Development in Africa (ICERDA), 3-5 Octobe, Alisa Hotel, Accra, Ghana.

Professor Kwame Akyeampong was Director of the event, and Professor Keith Lewin gave the keynote presentation.

Professor Brian Hudson and Dr Simon Thompson presented their research on mathematics education, and Dr Jo Westbrook gave a paper on Critical Possibilities for Pedagogy in Ethiopia with Teketel Adane and Solomon Wolde, University of Hawassa, Ethiopia.

Last autumn, Dr Jo Westbrook worked as a consultant with Professor Jophus Amanuah–Mensah on the development of National Teachers’ Standards for Ghana, as part of the Transforming Teacher Education and Learning (T-TEL) in Ghana team. T-TEL presented at ICERDA, reporting that the Standards have now been fully validated and look set to shape a new generation of high quality teachers who teach inclusively and sustainably as part of a community of practice. Details at [http://www.t-tel.org/hub/leadership-and-management.html](http://www.t-tel.org/hub/leadership-and-management.html)

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**Recently Completed Doctorates**

Congratulations to all our recently completed doctoral researchers. Please keep in touch with CIE.

- Robert Ghanney
  A case of parental involvement in Basic Education in Rural Ghana

- Emmanuel Mwunyti
  Teacher Motivation and Incentives in Rwanda: an explanation of stakeholders’ perceptions of the changes in teachers motivation during 2008-13

- Michel Tchoumbou Ngantchop
  “Nothing’s lost. Or else, all is translation” A case study on informal collaborative learning amongst university students in Cameroon

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**Recent Visitors**

- Professor Anjum Halai
  Aga Khan University, Karachi, Pakistan

- Dr Aziz Choudry
  Associate Professor, International Education, McGill University, Montreal, Canada

- Dr Bruce Collet
  Associate Professor, Social Foundations of Education, Bowling Green State University, Ohio, USA.