

A one-day workshop on **Corporate Behaviour and Institutional Constraints - Multidisciplinary Perspectives on Institutional Dysfunctions and Firm Behaviour** will be held in **King's College the 4th of July 2018**. The workshop is sponsored by the King's College "King's Together Fund", Department of International Development and organised by Department of International Development (King's College, London), the Centre for Political Economy and Institutional Studies (Birkbeck University of London) and the Centre for Comparative Studies of Emerging Economies (University College London).

The workshop aims to bring together researchers from different disciplines to improve our theoretical, empirical and methodological understanding of institutional dysfunctions as well as their relationship with corporate behaviour under various perspectives and aspects. We focus on a specific manifestation of institutional dysfunctionality – wrong-doing by corporate actors, encompassing acts of corruption, fraud, tax evasion, as well as abuses of human rights and environmental damage, but we are also interested in related issues around responses to institutional void.

We welcome works that derive from **different academic disciplines** (including, but not limited to, political science, economics, development studies, law, sociology and organisational studies), use **different units of analysis** (individual, firms and organisations, regional, country, cross-country level) and **different methodologies and techniques** (theoretical, empirical, qualitative and quantitative)

We invite submissions of papers from any relevant discipline addressing issues including but not limited to:

- Corruption and rent-seeking behaviour, bribe payment
- Corporate fraud, tax evasion and tax morale
- Illegal lobbying or unlawful interference in legal and judiciary processes
- Trust, informal institutions and institutional voids
- Human right abuses
- Labour right abuses
- Involvement in armed conflict
- Environmental damage

Application Deadline

Submit a **structured abstract** (max. 500 words) by **22 April 2018** to ssees-events@ucl.ac.uk

Structured abstracts: Submitted abstracts need to explicitly follow the following structure:

Research Type: Conceptual, Theoretical, Empirical or Review (select one)

Research Question/Issue: 1 or 2 sentences presenting the focus of the paper

Method: 1 or 2 sentences clarifying the methodological approach chosen, and data source, if the paper is conceptual/theoretical state the main framework your research builds on.

Key Findings/Insights: 1 to 3 sentences explaining the findings or insights derived from your study. This section should highlight the contribution of your work to the broader literature.

Implications: in this section, please state the broader implications of your findings for researchers and/or policy-makers, as appropriate.

Authors of accepted abstract will be notified by **4 May 2018**.

Workshop Fees

lunch, coffee and snacks during breaks, and are invited to a closing reception with wine and nibbles.

Participants are however expected to cover for their travel and accommodation costs, as required.

Note that a small budget is available to cover travel and accommodation expenses for some of the participants. If you would like to apply for your expenses to be covered, please do write it explicitly on your abstract and provide an indicative budget. Successful applicant for travel and accommodation grant will be notified on the 4th of May.

Structure of Presentations:

Every paper presentation will be assigned a discussant. It is thus important that **full papers are submitted two weeks before the workshop**.

Convenors and Queries

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