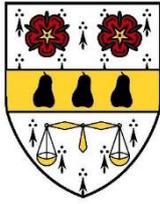


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Welcome to the Centre for Social Investigation eNewsletter.

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Announcements

We were pleased to learn recently that we have been awarded an ESRC grant that will fund our timely and high impact research project '[Fixed, Crystallising or Diverging: Attitude formation and change in the run-up to Brexit](#)'

- The project aims to monitor public attitudes towards key aspects of the Brexit negotiations
- The study will cover attitudes and expectations about the control of immigration, trade, borders, and sovereignty ('taking back control'), among other topics
- We will investigate willingness to accept trade-offs: what the red lines and where are people willing to compromise?
- We will also explore drivers of opinion and opinion change, such as social identities (e.g. Brexiteer), and macro-economic developments
- The project will commence next month and run for 18 months and will be in collaboration with the University of Oxford's [Migration Observatory](#) and [Department of Sociology](#)

New Research

Along with colleagues at the University of Manchester, Anthony Heath published an article on [inter- and intra-generational social mobility effects on subjective well-being in China](#) in *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility*. Key findings:

- Both inter- and intra- generational upward mobility boosts well-being

- Intergenerational downward mobility has no major consequences on well-being, which may be due to the prospect of counter-mobility and inherited family resources
- Intra-generational downward mobility has significant negative effects on well-being. This is due to both the disadvantages of the low class and of the downward trajectory

Valentina Di Stasio published an article on [overeducation, undereducation and horizontal mismatches](#) in *Sociology of Education*, comparing employers' hiring preferences in Britain and the Netherlands. Key findings:

- British employers are more likely to hire overeducated applicants than Dutch employers
- British employers use, in general, more lenient hiring criteria: they are more likely to hire candidates with qualifications that do not match the occupation of destination

Along with [Dr Neli Demireva](#) from the University of Essex, Anthony Heath published an article on [ethnic minority embeddedness and economic integration](#) in *Social Inclusion*. Key findings:

- Area deprivation is a major source of poor economic outcomes both for the white British and for ethnic minorities (with the interesting exception of employment in the case of the White British)
- The presence of minorities does not appear to have any harmful effects for the White British
- In the case of minorities, embeddedness did prove to have some negative effects although these were attenuated by controls for area deprivation

Events

Anthony Heath delivered a presentation entitled *How do minorities come to adopt or reject national identities?* at a [seminar](#) on 'An Englishness Open To All?' hosted by [The Centre for English Identity and Politics](#) at the University of Winchester. His slides are available on the [CSI website](#).

Elisabeth Garratt spoke at an event on food poverty in the UK, part of the [Big Conversation](#) against Food Poverty in Britain.

Anthony Heath and Valentina Di Stasio presented preliminary results from a field experiment on ethnic discrimination at a roundtable entitled [Understanding labour market integration](#) at Church House, Westminster

Engagement

Anthony Heath, Lindsay Richards and Magda Borkowska submitted further evidence to the All-Party Parliamentary Group's ongoing [inquiry into Social Integration](#). Our submission is available on request – please email us at csi@nuffield.ox.ac.uk.

Elisabeth Garratt's article on [the role of income on children's behavioural problems](#) was featured on the [Child and Family Blog](#).

Anthony Heath participated in an event organised by the Centre for Opportunity and Equality, OECD, Paris on '[Understanding the socio-economic divide in Europe](#)'.

Elisabeth Garratt wrote a blog post on [the importance of measuring hunger](#) for the [End Hunger UK](#) campaign.

Anthony Heath attended the first roundtable discussion of the [Race Disparity Audit](#) in the Cabinet Office. The unit is taking forward the Prime Minister's commitment to tackling racial disparity - specifically to reveal how people from different racial backgrounds - BAME and White working class - interact with public services, in treatment and outcomes.

Elisabeth Garratt wrote a blog post on [young minorities' adoption and rejection of national identities](#).

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