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**Global justice, the capability approach, and social policy** (HDCA2016 pre-conference event)

What is global justice? How can it satisfy concerns of national self-governance? To what extent can a theory of justice translate into concrete social policy advice? Can an account of cosmopolitan global justice help us identify relevant capabilities and functionings?

With outset in **Gillian Brock’s book *Global Justice*** (OUP 2008), the Foundational Issues thematic group (FICA) will organize a pre-conference event on [Brock’s](http://www.arts.auckland.ac.nz/people/gbro064) cosmopolitan theory of global justice and related issues. The event is scheduled to take place on **31 August 2016** at Hitotsubashi University in Tokyo, Japan, in connection with the annual conference of the Human Development and Capability Association.

The aim of the event is to consider how abstract discussions on global justice can translate into concrete policy advice, for example within a capability framework. In her book, Brock develops and defends a cosmopolitan account of global justice and shows how it can provide ample room for national self-determination and -governance while securing basic principles of justice. Brock has, both in her book as well as in subsequent work, applied her account of global justice to such policy issues as **global poverty, taxation reform, nationalism, health justice, work exploitation, and responsibility**. In the event, we will take up and discuss these relationships between global justice and concrete issues of global and national policy.

We are excited to present a great line-up of discussants, all of whom have a proven ability to apply theories of justice to a wide variety of policy issues in a novel way, namely **Gillian Brock** (University of Auckland), **Eric Palmer** (Allegheny College), **Serene Khader** (Brooklyn College of CUNY), **Yuko Kamishima** (Ristumeikan University), **Sridhar Venkatapuram** (King’s College London), **Krushil Watene** (Massey University), and **Rebecca Gutwald** (LMU Munich).

Further details concerning the program and registration will follow soon. Participation will be free of charge.

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