

## Call for Participants

### ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE: SECURITY, ENVIRONMENT AND SOCIAL CONFLICT

A workshop aimed at Early Career Researchers in Turkey and the UK

funded under the Newton-Katip Çelebi Fund Researcher Links scheme and co-organised by  
Boğaziçi University and Durham University



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ISTANBUL, JUNE 27<sup>th</sup> TO JULY 1<sup>st</sup> 2016

Deadline for applications - April 15<sup>th</sup> 2016

New energy infrastructure is key to addressing the challenge of securing reliable, affordable and environmentally sustainable energy supplies. But energy infrastructure raises profound questions for society: Whom does infrastructure serve? Who has a voice when infrastructure decisions are made? How do infrastructures shape resource flows and consumption practices? To what political possibilities do energy infrastructures give rise? This interdisciplinary early-career researchers workshop (1) seeks to build a new generation of research capacity in Turkey and the UK to assess, analyse and address the social, distributional and knowledge conflicts associated with large energy infrastructure projects; (2) promote a model of practically-engaged social science that works with stakeholders and affected communities to define relevant research problems; and (3) develop approaches, capacities and networks to sustain research collaboration into the future.

**Funded under the Research Links scheme offered within the Newton-Katip Çelebi Fund**, a workshop on *Energy Infrastructure: security, environment and social conflict* will be held at Boğaziçi University in Istanbul (Turkey) from Monday June 27<sup>th</sup> to Friday July 1<sup>st</sup> 2016. The workshop is co-ordinated by Professor Gavin Bridge (Durham University) and Professor Begüm Özkaynak (Boğaziçi University) with contributions from other leading researchers, including Professor Stefan Bouzarovski (University of Manchester), Dr Clemens Hoffman (Bilkent University), Professor Marcus Power (Durham University), Professor Ali Kerem Saysel (Boğaziçi University) and Dr Ethemcan Turhan (Sabanci University).

Please note: Places are limited and there is a competitive application process. Application materials and full details on eligibility can be found via the attached application form or here [local British Council webpage]. The event does not require any registration fee; travel and accommodation costs for accepted participants will be covered by the workshop organizers. Accepted participants are expected to attend the full duration of the workshop and contribute with a poster presentation. Under the terms of the Researcher Links funding, participants must be affiliated with a research institution in either the UK or in Turkey. The application deadline is **April 15<sup>th</sup> 2016**.

For questions, contact the Workshop Secretariat by e-mailing [energyinfrastructure2016@gmail.com](mailto:energyinfrastructure2016@gmail.com)

## **WORKSHOP OVERVIEW**

This workshop aims to build research capacity on energy infrastructure and social conflict at the nexus of economic development, energy security and climate change. Because these issues transcend conventional disciplinary approaches to knowledge generation, effective solutions will require an interdisciplinary approach to socio-environmental analysis, and a process of co-learning with stakeholders. To this end the workshop incorporates expert panels and keynote lectures, participant presentations and opportunities for co-writing, extensive stakeholder participation, and a collaborative learning field excursion centred on coal, climate and development. The workshop provides a unique opportunity for sharing research expertise and networking.

## **OUTLINE STRUCTURE**

### ***MONDAY 27<sup>th</sup> June*** (late afternoon arrival in Istanbul)

4pm onwards: Registration and Welcome

SESSION 1: Keynote, followed by Reception

### ***TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> June***

SESSION 2: Expert Panel, Energy, Economy and the Contested Politics of Energy Infrastructure

SESSION 3: Expert Panel, Perspectives on Energy Conflict

SESSIONS 4 & 5: Early Career Researcher Poster Session, followed by Plenary

SESSION 6: Keynote, Energy, Climate and Development

### ***WEDNESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> June***

Collaborative Learning Field Excursion: Coal, Climate and Development

### ***THURSDAY 30<sup>th</sup> June***

SESSION 7: Keynote, Political Ecologies of Energy Infrastructure

SESSION 8: Research Agendas Open Space

SESSION 9: Panel Session, From Idea to Implementation – Collaborative Tales from the Field

SESSION 10: Plenary Panel, Research Grants, Building Professional Networks, Doing Impactful Research (indicative topics)

Reception and Workshop Dinner

### ***FRIDAY July 1st***

SESSION 11: Collaborative Research Proposals

SESSION 12: Writing for Public Intervention

1 pm Workshop Closes