

## Call for Papers – ‘Free Trade Agreements in a Changing Landscape of Global Governance’

Following an ESRC grant award entitled ‘Transformations in Global Governance: Integration via Free Trade Agreements’, Keele and Bath Universities are jointly organising a series of workshops, with the aim of fostering debate and discussion on:

- Regulatory, economic and social aspects of regional integration through FTAs
- Effects of FTAs in partner countries
- The current state of play in FTA activity in the EU, USA and Asia.

The initial workshop will be held in **Keele on 22 and 23 January 2015**. The event will highlight general trends in FTAs and revolve around questions which include issues such as:

- What is the rationale for growing FTAs, and the recent developments that provide momentum for countries to negotiate FTAs?
- What are the economic and social impacts of FTAs?
- Is the internal and external environment important in setting trade policy agendas?
- Are the dynamics of negotiations driven by constructivist or neo-realist framework of international relations?

We welcome paper proposals addressing these questions from diverse disciplinary approaches and methodological positions. Selected papers will be put forward for publication of a special issue.

PhD students are particularly welcome and there will be an opportunity to get feedback on their work from senior academics that specialise in FTAs and have confirmed attendance to the workshop.

Please email **abstracts** to [s.khorana@keele.ac.uk](mailto:s.khorana@keele.ac.uk) and [m.garcia@bath.ac.uk](mailto:m.garcia@bath.ac.uk) by **25 November 2014**.

Limited funds are available towards transport and accommodation costs of presenters. These will be allocated on first come first serve basis.