As part of its effort to disseminate the research activities the Centre conducts a number of conferences, seminars, and workshops. Open seminars are given by faculty and researchers from other institutions from within the country as well as abroad. This year 8 open seminars were conducted. In addition to this, 6 seminars were given by the faculty and students. The CDS also organised several international national seminars/conferences and workshops in addition to 4 public lectures.

**OPEN SEMINARS**

Guilhem Fabre, Professor of Chinese Civilisation and East Asian Economics, University of Le Havre, France, *China’s Economic Slowdown*, (16 April, 2014)

John Mathias, PhD Student, University of Michigan & CDS Affiliate, *Printing People’s Struggle: Alternative Media and Civil Society Activism in Kerala*, (20 June, 2014)

K.B. Usha, Assistant Professor, Russian and Central Asian Studies, School of International Studies, JNU, New Delhi, *Empowerment of Women in Political Leadership: A Comparison of Russia and India*, (27 June, 2014)

M.A. Oommen, Emeritus Professor, ISS, New Delhi and Honorary Fellow, CDS & D Shyjan Assistant Professor, Dr. John Mathai Centre, Calicut University and FIP Teacher Fellow, CDS, *Local Governments and the Inclusion of the Excluded: Towards A Strategic Methodology with Empirical Illustration*, (08 August, 2014)

S. Krishnakumar, Assistant Professor, Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi University & K N Raj Fellow, CDS, *Global Imbalances and Bretton Woods II Postulate*, (12 August, 2014)

Nivedita P Haran, IAS (Retd.), Former Additional Chief Secretary, Kerala, *Significance of Land in Good Governance*, (16 December, 2014)

Etsuro Ishigami, Professor, Fukuoka University, Japan and Research Affiliate at CDS, *Industrialisation in Asia: A Comparative Analysis of the Indian and East Asian Experiences*, (23 January, 2015)


**SEMINARS BY CDS FACULTY/STUDENTS**

Amit Shovon Ray, Director, CDS, *Science Research and Knowledge Creation in Indian Universities: Theoretical Perspectives and Econometric Evidence*, (4 April, 2014)

Sunil Mani, *Dimensions of India's Innovative Performance*, (13 November, 2014)


**INTERNATIONAL / NATIONAL CONFERENCES /SEMINARS / WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS**

CDS – NRPPD Workshop on Emerging Issues in India’s Plantation Sector held at the Centre for Development Studies, Trivandrum and co-ordinated by K.J.Joseph (31 March & 1 April, 2014)

Seminar on Experiments in Democratizing Development Planning, organised by the CDS-Research Unit on Local Self –Governments and coordinated by K. N. Harilal at the Centre. (21 - 22 April, 2014)


National Consultation on National Rubber Policy, organised by National Research Programme on Plantation Development (NRPPD), co-ordinated by K.J. Joseph, at the Centre. (2 August, 2014)

Workshop on Gender Sensitisation, organised by the Committee Against Sexual Harassment (CASH), held at the CDS, (4 August, 2014)

17th Biennial Conference of Association of Gerontology, India (AGI) and International Conference on Engaging and Empowering the Elderly (ICEEE 2014) conducted at the Centre for Development Studies, sponsored by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment, Ministry of Rural Development, the UNFPA and Help Age India, co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan, (15 & 16 September, 2014)

International Seminar on Migration, Care Economy and Development (in honour of Professor K C. Zachariah) co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan and held at the CDS,(17-19 September, 2014)
Fourth Annual Conference on Migration and Development, conducted at the Centre and co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan, (17 September, 2014)

Policy Informing Workshop on Eura-Net (as part of this international conference on migration, care economy and development) co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan, (19 September, 2014)

Plantation Labour Act Amendment-2014: Consultation with Trade Union Leaders, organised by NRPPD, co-ordinated by Prof. K.J.Joseph (5th November 2014).

NRPPD Training Programme on Research Issues and Methods in India’s Plantation Sector. Organised by NRPPD and OKD Institute of Social Change and Development, Guwahati, co-ordinated by Prof. K.J.Joseph (17-18 November 2014)

NRPPD Training Programme on Research Issues and Methods in India’s Plantation Sector. Organised by NRPPD and Department of Economics, Tripura University, co-ordinated by Prof. K.J.Joseph (20-21 November 2014)

Round Table on Aging and Social Security, co-ordinated by S. Irudaya Rajan at the CDS (17 December, 2014)

Discussion on “Kerala's Development over the last Three Decades: India Public Policy Report-2014” with Rajeev Malhotra, Professor and Executive Director, Centre for Development and Finance, Jindal School of Government and Public Policy, O.P. Jindal Global University, Haryana, (11 February, 2015)


(d) PUBLIC LECTURES

Prabhat Patnaik (Emeritus Professor, Centre for Economic Studies and Planning, JNU) delivered a public lecture on ‘Decentralization and Democracy,’ at the CDS on 22 April, 2014.

Gopal Guru (Professor, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi) delivered the Fifth P.K. Gopalakrishnan Memorial Lecture on ‘Ethics of Intellectual Practices in Higher Education,’ at the Centre on 14 August, 2014.

The Third Foundation Day Lecture on ‘Rise of East Asia and Kerala: Along the Path of K.N. Raj,’ was delivered at the CDS by Professor Amiya Kumar Bagchi, Emeritus Professor, Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata on 20 October, 2014.

Christine Greenhalgh, Emeritus Professor, University of Oxford) delivered the Sixth B.G. Kumar Lecture on ‘Do Trademarks Foster or Inhibit Innovation and Competition?’ at the Centre on 21 January, 2015.