



2021 UK Society for Co-operative Studies Conference

Conference Programme

9th-11th September 2021

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Keynote Speakers

Bruno Roelants

Director-General, International Cooperative Alliance



Bruno Roelants is the 16th Director-General of the International Cooperative Alliance, which was founded in 1895. Bruno brings with him more than 30 years of experience within the co-operative movement following his previous position as Secretary General of CICOPA, the sectoral Organisation of the International Co-operative Alliance for industrial, artisans' and service co-operatives and of its regional organisation CECOP CICOPA-Europe. He was previously in charge of development projects in the field of cooperatives in China, India, Latin America and Central-Eastern Europe. Bruno coordinated the group of representatives of organisations of cooperatives in Geneva during the 2001-2002

negotiations on the ILO Recommendation 193 on the Promotion of Cooperatives. Although Bruno has worked predominantly with industrial and service cooperatives, we has also worked with other cooperative sectors such as banking and retail, particularly by working on the issue of cooperative groups.

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Peter Hunt

Managing Partner of Mutuo



Peter Hunt founded Mutuo in 2001 as the first cross mutual sector body to promote co-operative and mutual business to opinion formers and decision makers. For ten years prior, he was General Secretary of the Co-operative Party (UK). He is co-founder of Supporters Direct, the football supporters' initiative, which went on to establish over 100 supporters' trusts at professional football clubs. He led the Parliamentary teams, which piloted five private members bills through the UK Parliament, working with all parties to update co-operative and mutual law. He advised the UK Coalition

Government on its plans to mutualise Post Office Ltd and in 2012 published the report of the Ownership Commission, a two-year study into corporate diversity. Peter has worked with the Foundation for European Progressive Studies (FEPS) since 2015, co-authoring the 'Peoples' Business' research document. In 2018/19 he led the successful industry alliance to develop the Australian Treasury Laws Amendment (Mutual Reforms) Act 2019, the first renewal of Australian mutuals legislation for 20 years.

<https://www.mutuo.coop/the-mutuo-team/>

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Day 1 Thursday 9 th September 2021			
Time (BST)	Session	Presenter and Title	Session Chairs
14.00 - 15.15	Open	14.00 - 14.10 Conference Chairs	
	Keynote Speaker	14.10 - 15.15 Bruno Roelants, Director-General, International Cooperative Alliance "Inter-cooperation between co-operators and co-operatives: a global perspective"	Elisavet Mantzari & Francesca Gagliardi
15.15 - 15.30	Break		
15.30 - 17.00	Session 1	15.30 - 16.15 Elisavet Mantzari, Maureen McCulloch & Daphne Rixon "Developing a statement of recommended practice (SORP) in accounting and reporting for co-operatives"	Francesca Gagliardi & Rory Ridley-Duff
		16.15 - 17.00 Daphne Rixon & Marc-Andre Pigeon "Credit Unions' Response to Covid-19"	
Day 2 Friday 10 th September 2021			
Time (BST)	Session	Presenter and Title	Session Chairs
13.00 - 14.00	Keynote Speaker	13.00 - 14.00 Peter Hunt, Managing Partner of Mutuo "Global co-operation between co-operatives: why this matters more than ever"	Rory Ridley-Duff
14.00 - 16.00	Session 2	14.00 - 14.40 Munib Ur Rehman "Institutionalizing Cooperation Between Cooperators and Cooperatives: A Case study of The Shakargarh Zaraiee Cooperative Union, Tehsil Shakargarh, District Narowal, Pakistan"	Francesca Gagliardi
		14.40 - 15.20 Sunna Kovanen & Anya Umantseva "Balancing between collaborative transformation and stability in rural eco-social entrepreneurship: international comparative case study"	
		15.20 - 16.00 Hao Dong, Adrian Bailey & Nicholas Dacre "Collaborative Post-Crisis Rural Projects with Agility: An Empirical Study of Agricultural Co-operatives in China"	
16.00-16.30		Break/Socialising	
16.30 - 17.50	Session 3	16.30 - 17.10 Rory Ridley-Duff "Ontologies of employee-ownership: Deconstructing and reconstructing a field"	Maureen McCulloch
		17.10 - 17.50 Carl Pitchford "Employee Ownership as a Solution to the SME Succession Issue"	
17.50 - 18.00		Close	

Day 3
Saturday 11th September 2021

Time (BST)	Session	Presenter and Title	Session Chairs
10.15-10.45	Open/Socialising		
10.45 - 12.45	Session 4	<p>10.45 - 11.25 Orestis Varkarolis “Expanding the limits of inter-cooperation with Action Science”</p> <p>11.25 - 12.05 Denise Kasparian & Julián Rebón “Social Power in Production. An Approach Based on Worker-Recuperated Enterprises”</p> <p>12.05 - 12.45 Bhupesh Lohar & Tarun Khichi “Innovation priorities and blockchain practices in co-operatives”</p>	Elisavet Mantzari
12.45 - 13.30		Break	
13.30 - 15.30	Session 5	<p>13.30 - 14.10 Nicola Coundourakis “How Do We Co-Operate? - Presenting some preliminary data”</p> <p>14.10 - 14.50 Olta Sokoli, Reiner Doluschitz & Ilir Kapaj “Inter-cooperation across different countries increases the potential of cooperatives development in developing countries”</p> <p>14.50 - 15.30 Jamsith Abdul Azeez “Impact of Culture on Formal Social Enterprise Governance in Sri Lanka: The Case Study of Cooperatives Network”</p>	Lisa Buchter
15.30 - 15.45		Break	
15.45 - 17.05	Session 6	<p>15.45 - 16.25 Lisa Buchter “Sustaining student organizing in housing cooperatives: meta-organization as a solution to supporting the scaling out, sustaining, and expanding of cooperatives with high turnover”</p> <p>16.25 - 17.05 John Courtneidge “Co-operative Movement or Co-operative Sector? Our Aims and Objectives as Co-operators, Contemporary Contradictions and Coherences through an Historical Appraisal”</p>	Nicola Coundourakis
17.05 - 17.15		Close	