



## INTALInC update

We are now half way through INTALInC's first term – we were originally funded by the **ESRC's GCRF programme to run for 18 months until July 2018** – and things are in full swing. Below is a roundup of our activities so far, and a brief look ahead to what's in store for the network over the next few months.

### Website and social media

We have now launched our new website: [www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk). We update the site regularly and it is the best source of information about INTALInC events, funding opportunities, relevant new stories, academic and industry papers and resources. You can also **follow us on Twitter: @INTALInC**.

### Workshops so far

**A key aim of our work is understanding mobility issues in 'the round'**: we are looking at how mobility issues impact on health, education, employment, and other contributors to livelihoods and wellbeing. To facilitate this breadth of understanding, we have been joined at workshops by speakers from NGOs, local stakeholders, international investors and government officials.

INTALInC's set up meeting was held in Leeds back in February. It was well attended by many of our member organisations, and laid solid foundations for partnerships forged over subsequent months.



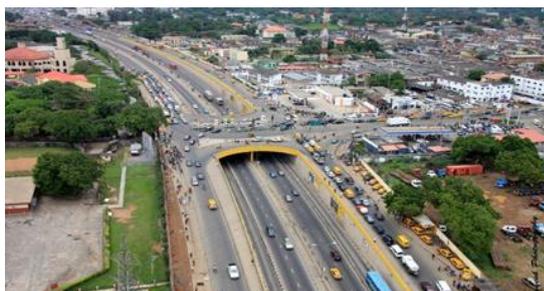
The first international INTALInC workshop was at the **University of Cape Coast (UCC), Ghana** at the end of May. Co-led by Durham University and UCC, around 30 delegates met to discuss the mobility needs of children and low income people in Cape Coast. More info: [www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk/events/](http://www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk/events/)

In August, the Network met at the **University of Asia Pacific in Dhaka, Bangladesh**, this time to talk about mobility for working women in the city. We were joined by speakers and attendees from as far afield as Nigeria, Uganda, Ghana and India, as well as UK and, of course, Bangladesh. More info: [www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk/events/](http://www.intalinc.leeds.ac.uk/events/)

**Fieldwork studies** are central to our programme of 'research into practice' international workshops. In **Cape Coast**, some attendees spent a hot afternoon walking with home from school with local children, experiencing first hand the difficulties of long journeys taken on foot, without the benefits of footpaths and pedestrian crossings. Others took a ride on the UCC campus bus service and had the opportunity to talk to visually impaired students about the issues they face getting around the site. In **Dhaka**, workshop delegates took motorised rickshaw rides through the city centre, experiencing traffic jams and pollution on the ground. Others visited a bus stop and spoke to female commuters about the challenges of making journeys by public transport in the context of local social and cultural norms, in a city afflicted by huge congestion problems.



## Forthcoming events



Hot on the heels of our visit to Dhaka, we are now planning for our next workshop which will be held at [Lagos State University \(LASU\), Nigeria](#) on 26-27 October 2017. The workshop will be co-hosted by LASU and University College London and will look at the mobility needs of informal settlement and slum dwellers in Nigeria. We expect to be joined by speakers representing Nigerian bus service providers

and transport authorities, as well as local and international academics. [A draft agenda is available on the INTALInC website.](#)

The INTALInC team in Leeds is contributing a [Global Inequalities Showcase](#) event at the University of Leeds on 15 November 2017. Invited delegates will look at future funding opportunities and potential collaborative partnerships, with input from Professor Mike Savage, London School of Economics.

The last planned INTALInC research into practice workshop will take place at the [University of Makerere in Kampala, Uganda](#) in January 2018 and will look at the mobility needs of people with physical disabilities and pregnant women in the local context.

The final planned INTALInC meeting will be a larger scale dissemination event in Oxford on 3-4 May 2018. The event will showcase INTALInC work so far, as well as look ahead to future opportunities. We will be joined by a number of external speakers and would love to see you there.

## Spreading the word

We are constantly looking to increase the span of our network – please do visit our website or join us on Twitter and encourage others to sign up to INTALInC for more information and regular updates.

If you are interested in attending or contributing to any of INTALInC's workshops or events, please let us know! You can contact network coordinator, Emma Tsoneva for more information, [e.i.tsoneva@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:e.i.tsoneva@leeds.ac.uk)