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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT: Senior Fellow, Institute of Development Studies
NATIONALITY: British
LANGUAGES: English (first), Portuguese (native standard), Spanish (fluent), French (working)
THEMATIC EXPERTISE: Health; Accountability; Civil Society and Democracy; Rising Powers; Participatory Methodologies; Power and Political Economy Analysis
GEOGRAPHICAL EXPERTISE: Brazil; Mozambique; Angola; Mexico; Peru

OVERVIEW

Alex Shankland is a Senior Fellow at the Institute of Development Studies (IDS), where he convenes the Brazil International Development Research and Mutual Learning Hub. His current research interests centre on theories and practices of democratic representation, accountability and citizen-state engagement, with particular reference to the political strategies of indigenous peoples and other marginalised minorities engaging with health, energy, development and climate change policies, and to the role of unruly politics in democratic struggles facing closing civic space.

Alex is currently Lead Principal Investigator for the Trans-Atlantic Platform funded project *Building Back Better from Below: Health and Food Justice Beyond the COVID-19 Pandemic*, having previously been PI of the British Academy funded project *Just Transitions in Africa's Oil and Gas Producing Regions* (2021-22) and of the ESRC/DFID funded project *Vozes Desiguais / Unequal Voices: the Politics of Accountability for Health Equity in Brazil and Mozambique* (2015-2018). In addition to ongoing research and advisory work on accountability and inclusion in the health system in Mozambique with the POTENCIAR programme, Alex has worked extensively on Mozambican social accountability and democratic governance initiatives, including DIÁLOGO, the Citizen Engagement Programme (CEP), and several projects under the Action for Empowerment and Accountability (A4EA) research programme.

Alex has also worked extensively on the roles of Brazil and other rising powers in reshaping international development cooperation, and co-founded the IDS Rising Powers in International Development research programme, which is now being taken forward with colleagues from across the University of Sussex campus under the umbrella of the Centre for Rising Powers and Global Development.

An experienced manager of international and interdisciplinary research and consultancy programmes, prior to completing his DPhil Alex was IDS Research Manager for the DFID-funded Development Research Centre on Citizenship, Participation and Accountability and Coordinator of the IDS-led consortium responsible for the redesign of Brazil's health system for indigenous peoples. Before coming to IDS he worked extensively as a journalist, NGO project and programme manager, independent researcher and social development consultant, mainly in South America (especially Brazilian Amazonia) and Southern Africa.

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

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| 2010 | DPhil in Development Studies, IDS, University of Sussex, UK |
| 1998 | MPhil in Development Studies, IDS, University of Sussex, UK |
| 1988 | BA (Hons) in English (2:1), Trinity Hall, Cambridge University, UK |

PRINCIPAL RESEARCH AND ADVISORY ACTIVITIES AND GRANTS RECEIVED

Funder: Trans-Atlantic Platform (UKRI ESRC, FAPESP and SSHRC)

Title: **Building Back Better from Below: Health and Food Justice Beyond the COVID-19 Pandemic**

Role: Lead Principal Investigator (Brazil Co-PI Vera Schattan Coelho, Canada Co-PI Suzanne Sicchia)

Amount awarded: £570k

Start and end dates: 2022-2024

Funder: British Academy

Title: **Making Space for Dialogue on Just Transitions in Africa's Oil and Gas Producing Regions**

Role: Principal Investigator

Amount awarded: £100k

Start and end dates: 2021-2022

Funder: UKRI Global Challenges Research Fund

Title: **ARISE Hub: Accountability and Responsiveness in Informal Urban Settlements**

Role: Co-Investigator for Governance and Accountability theme (led by LSTM; IDS Co-PI Hayley MacGregor)

Amount awarded: £10m

Start and end dates: 2019-2023

Funder: DFID Research and Evidence Division

Title: **Action for Empowerment and Accountability Research Programme**

Role: Co-Investigator for Mozambique component (IDS PI John Gaventa)

Amount awarded: £5.4m

Start and end dates: 2016-2021

Funder: DFID Brazil

Title: **Scoping a Strategic UK-Brazil Global Development Partnership: Mapping of Trilateral Cooperation Potential**

Role: Team Leader

Amount awarded: £110k

Start and end dates: 2018 – 2019

Funder: ESRC/DFID Joint Fund for Poverty Alleviation Research

Title: **Unequal Voices – Accountability for Health Equity in Brazil and Mozambique**

Role: Principal Investigator

Amount awarded: £460k

Start and end dates: 2016 – 2019

Funder: DFID Mozambique

Title: **Diálogo – Mozambique Democratic Governance Support Programme**

Role: Evaluation Team Leader

Amount awarded: £690k

Start and end dates: 2012-2017

Funder: Economic and Social Research Council

Title: **Rising Powers in African Agriculture**

Role: Co-Investigator for Mozambique and Brazil components (IDS PI: Ian Scoones)

Amount awarded: £639k

Start and end dates: 2012-2016

Funder: DFID Global Development Partnerships Programme

Title: **Rising Powers in International Development Programme**

Role: Principal Investigator

Amount awarded: £1.6m

Start and end dates: 2012-2015

RECORD OF EMPLOYMENT

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| 2014 – PRESENT | Senior Fellow / Research Cluster Leader , Institute of Development Studies, UK Research leadership, programme management and senior advisory work |
| 2010 – 2014 | Fellow , Institute of Development Studies, UK Research, teaching and advisory work |
| 2008 – 2010 | Coordinator, Indigenous Health System project , IDS/SSL/Cebrap, Brazil Led large multi-institutional project on restructuring the health system for Brazil's indigenous peoples under the MoH - World Bank VIGISUS II programme |
| 2003 – 2008 | Social Development Consultant , self-employed, UK and Brazil Research, training and advisory work on civil society and rights-based approaches |
| 2001 – 2003 | Research Manager , Institute of Development Studies, UK Coordination, communication and research support for DFID-funded Development Research Centre on Citizenship, Participation and Accountability |
| 2000 | Senior Programme Officer for Southern Africa , ACORD, UK Technical lead for Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Namibia and Tanzania civil society strengthening, rural development and urban livelihoods programmes. |
| 1998 – 2000 | Social Development Consultant , Brazil and UK Extensive work on DFID Brazil health, environment and democratic governance programmes. |
| 1990 – 1996 | Brazil Country Manager , Health Unlimited (Brazil-based) Managed a portfolio of health rights advocacy and primary health care training initiatives with rural and indigenous social movements in the Brazilian Amazon. |
| 1988 – 1998 | Journalist , Gazeta Mercantil (staff) / various publications (freelance) Brazil-based (1988-96) and UK-based (1996-98) writer and journalist; from 1988-90, Assistant Editor of English-language edition of leading Brazilian financial newspaper. |

PUBLICATIONS

Indigenous and Traditional Peoples, Climate Change and Sustainable Development

2022 *Making Space for Dialogue on Just Transitions in Africa's Oil and Gas Producing Regions*. London: British Academy (with P. Scott-Villiers, P. Newell, A. Wemanya, C. Pereira, E. Gonçalves, I. Bashir, J. Gaventa, M. Adow, N. Nampoothiri, R. McGee, S. Forquilha and V. Ibezim-Ohaeri)

2021 *Key Considerations: Indigenous Peoples in COVID-19 Response and Recovery*. Brighton: SSHAP (with S. Araujo, M. Cannon, M. Schmidt-Sane, M. Snijder and Y.-C. Wu)

2019 *The implications of closing civic space for sustainable development in Brazil*, Brasília: HEKS / Act Alliance (with S. Sauer, A. Leite and K. Oliveira)

2018 'Ecosystems-based adaptation: Are we being conned? Evidence from Mexico' *Global Environmental Change* 49, 14–26 (with A. Newsham, M. T. Pulido, M. Ulrichs, R. M. Cruz, X. C. Ocón and T. Cannon)

2016 'Traditional Peoples' and the Struggle for Inclusive Land Governance in Brazil, *IDS Working Paper* 477 (with Z. Sullivan, C. A. Dayrell, A. C. Alvarenga and D. F. Batista Rocha)

2011 'Reimagining Development with Indigenous People', *IDS Bulletin* Vol. 42 No. 5

2011 'Indigenous Peoples and REDD+ Regulation in Brazil: Beyond the War of the Worlds?' *IDS Bulletin* Vol. 42 No. 3 (with L. Hasenclever).

2010 'The Indigenous Peoples' Movement, "forest citizenship" and struggles over health services in Acre, Brazil' in B. von Lieres and V. Schattan Coelho (eds.) *Mobilizing for Democracy*. London: Zed.

2000 'Analysing policy for sustainable livelihoods' *IDS Research Report* 49

Civil Society and Governance

- 2021 *Navigating Civic Space in a Time of Covid: Synthesis Report*, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies (with C. Anderson, R. McGee, N.J. Nampoothiri, J. Gaventa, S. Forquilha, Z. Ibeh, V. Ibezim-Ohaeri, A. Jawed, A. Khan, and C. Pereira)
- 2021 'Who Can We Count On? Authority, Empowerment and Accountability in Mozambique', *IDS Working Paper* 546, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies (with E. Chaimite and S. Forquilha)
- 2021 'Demanding Power: Do Protests Empower Citizens to Hold Governments Accountable over Energy?', *IDS Working Paper* 555, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies (with N. Hossain, J. Agbonifo, M. Atela, J. Gaventa, E. Gonçalves, U. Javed, N. McCulloch, D. Natalini, M. Oosterom and A. Ojebode)
- 2020 'Alternative Expressions of Citizen Voices: The Protest Song and Popular Engagements with the Mozambican State', *IDS Working Paper* 541, Brighton: Institute of Development Studies (with A. Manhiça, K. Taela, E. Gonçalves, C. Maivasse, and M. Tadros)
- 2019 *Development Needs Society: The Implications of Civic Space for the Sustainable Development Goals*. Geneva: ACT Alliance (with N. Hossain, N. Khurana, S. Nazneen, M. Oosterom and P. Schröder)
- 2018 'Representation and Inclusion in School Councils in Mozambique' *IDS Research Report* 84 (with K. Taela and E. López Franco)
- 2018 *Guidelines for designing and monitoring social accountability interventions*. Brighton and Berne: IDS and SDC (with E. López Franco)
- 2017 'Authoritarian responsiveness and the greve in Mozambique' in N. Hossain and P. Scott-Villiers (eds) *Food Riots, Food Rights and the Politics of Provisions*. Abingdon: Routledge (with L. de Brito and E. Chaimite)
- 2017 'Revoltas da fome: protestos populares em Moçambique, 2008–2012' in L. de Brito (ed.) *Agora eles têm medo de nós! Uma colectânea de textos sobre as revoltas populares em Moçambique*. Maputo: IESE (with L. de Brito, E. Chaimite, C. Pereira, L. Posse and M. Sambo)
- 2014 *Hunger Revolts and Citizen Strikes: Popular Protests in Mozambique, 2008-2012*. Brighton: IDS (with L. de Brito, E. Chaimite, C. Pereira, L. Posse and M. Sambo)
- 2013 'Cultures of politics, spaces of power: contextualizing Brazilian experiences of participation', *Journal of Political Power* Vol 6 No 2 (with A. Cornwall)
- 2012 'Participación Política en América Latina', *Anuario de Derechos Humanos*. Santiago: Centro de Derechos Humanos, Universidad de Chile (with A. Olvera, A. Squella, M. Svampa, C. Vallejo)
- 2011 *Unruly Politics: A Manifesto*. Brighton: IDS (with N. Hossain, A. Khanna, P. Scott-Villiers and M. Tadros)
- 2008 'Brazilian Experiences of Participation and Citizenship: A Critical Look' *IDS Discussion Paper* 389 (with A. Cornwall and J. Romano).
- 2007 'Participation, Mutation and Political Transition: New Democratic Spaces in Peri-Urban Angola' in A. Cornwall & V. S. Coelho (eds.) *Spaces for Change? The Politics of Citizen Participation in New Democratic Arenas*. London: Zed (with S. Roque).
- 2006 'Making Space For Citizens' *IDS Policy Brief* 27

Health Equity and Health Systems

- 2020 'Inglaterra' in *Sistemas Híbridos de Saúde: uma análise comparada internacional de políticas de proteção e equidade*, eds. J. Vaitsman, A. Mendes Ribeiro and J. Jardim Motta, Rio de Janeiro: CEBES (with S. Peckham, T. Barker and L. Bolton)
- 2019 'The Accountability Politics of Reducing Health Inequalities: Learning From Brazil and Mozambique' *Novos Estudos* Vol 38 No 2 (with L. Waisbich, G. Bloom and V. Schattan Coelho)
- 2019 'Descentralização incompleta e responsabilização ineficaz: gestão, política e movimentos sociais no Distrito Sanitário Especial Indígena do Alto Rio Negro' *Novos Estudos* Vol 38 No 2 (with L. Benevides Ferreira and D. Paiva Ramos)
- 2018 'Accountability for Health Equity: Galvanising a Movement for Universal Health Coverage' *IDS Bulletin* Vol 49 No 2 (with E. Nelson and G. Bloom)

- 2018 *Equity and Inclusion in Health Programming*. Brighton and Berne: IDS and SDC (with H. MacGregor)
- 2012 *Transforming Health Systems to Serve the Wellbeing of Indigenous and Minority People*. Amsterdam and Brighton: KIT/IDS (with P. Oosterhoff, D. Burns, A. van der Kwaak and A. López)
- 2013 'Real Time Monitoring with Indigenous Peoples: Technical, Social and Political Challenges, and Lessons from Brazil', *IDS Bulletin* Vol. 44 No. 2 (with M. E. Toledo, A. Barbosa and M. Ferreira Bittencourt)
- 2011 'Making the Right to Health a Reality for Brazil's Indigenous Peoples: Innovation, Decentralization and Equity' *MEDICC Review* 13, pp. 50-53 (with V. S. Coelho)
- 2008 'Engaging citizens: Lessons from building Brazil's national health system', *Social Science & Medicine* 66 (with A. Cornwall)
- 2007 'Realising health rights in Brazil: the micropolitics of sustaining health system reform' in A. Bebbington and W. McCourt (eds.) *Development Success: Statecraft in the South*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (with A. Cornwall)
- 2007 'Decentralisation and Difference: Indigenous Peoples and Health System Reform in the Brazilian Amazon', *IDS Bulletin* Vol. 38 No. 1 (with R. Athias)

Rising Powers and International Development Cooperation

- 2017 'From Policy Transfer to Mutual Learning? Political Recognition, Power and Process in the Emerging Landscape of International Development Cooperation', *Novos Estudos* Vol 36 No. 1 (with J. Constantine)
- 2016 'BRICS and global inequality' in ISSC and UNESCO *Challenging Inequalities: Pathways to a Just World*. Paris: ISSC / UNESCO (with J. Gu, A. Chenoy and G. Bloom)
- 2016 *The BRICS in International Development*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (co-editor with J. Gu and A. Chenoy)
- 2016 'Civil Society, BRICS and International Development Cooperation: Perspectives from India, South Africa and Brazil' in J. Gu, A. Shankland and A. Chenoy (eds) *The BRICS in International Development*. Basingstoke: Palgrave (with M. Pomeroy, A. Poskitt, K. Bandyopadhyay and R. Tandon)
- 2016 'Civil society from the BRICS: emerging roles in the new international development landscape' *IDS Evidence Report* 173 (with A. Poskitt and K. Taela)
- 2016 'Building Mutual Learning between the Rising Powers' *IDS Evidence Report* 202 (with J. Constantine and G. Bloom)
- 2016 'Imagining Agricultural Development in South-South Cooperation: The Contestation and Transformation of ProSAVANA', *World Development* Vol 81 Issue C (with E. Gonçalves)
- 2015 *Engaging the Rising Powers in the Global Partnership for Effective Development Cooperation: A Framing Paper*. Brighton: IDS (with J. Constantine and J. Gu)
- 2014 *Innovation, solidarity and South-South learning: The role of civil society from middle-income countries in effective development cooperation*. Brighton: IDS (with A. Poskitt)
- 2014 'Brazil's engagement in health co-operation: what can it contribute to the global health debate?', *Health Policy and Planning* Vol 29 No. 2 (with G. Russo)
- 2014 'Brazil's engagement in international development cooperation: the state of the debate' *IDS Evidence Report* 59 (with I. Costa Leite, B. Suyama, L. Trajber Waisbich, M. Pomeroy, J. Constantine, L. Navas-Alemán, and M. Younis)
- 2014 'Beyond lip service on mutual learning: the potential of CSO and think-tank partnerships for transforming Rising Powers' contributions to sustainable development' in *The Reality of Aid 2014: Rethinking Partnerships in a Post-2015 World Towards Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Development*, ed. B. Tomlinson. Quezon City: IBON International (with J. Constantine)
- 2014 'On the margins of aid orthodoxy: Brazil-Mozambique collaboration to produce essential medicines in Africa', *Globalization and Health* 10(1) (with G. Russo, L. Oliveira and T. Sitoe).
- 2011 "Prioritising PPCR investments in Mozambique: the politics of 'country ownership' and 'stakeholder participation'" *IDS Bulletin* Vol. 42 No. 3 (with R. Chambote)