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## Antipode Foundation Ltd. – Trustees’ Annual Report for the year ended 30 April 2012

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### **Trustees as of 29<sup>th</sup> October 2012:**

- Prof. Noel Castree (School of Environment and Development, University of Manchester, UK) - appointed 5<sup>th</sup> July 2011;
- Dr. Paul Chatterton (School of Geography, University of Leeds, UK) - appointed 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011;
- Prof. Vinay Gidwani (Department of Geography, University of Minnesota, USA) - appointed 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011;
- Prof. Nik Heynen (Department of Geography, University of Georgia, USA) - appointed 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011;
- Prof. Wendy Larner (School of Geographical Sciences, University of Bristol, UK) - appointed 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011;
- Prof. Jamie Peck (Department of Geography, University of British Columbia, Canada) - appointed 29<sup>th</sup> June 2011;
- Prof. Jane Wills (School of Geography, Queen Mary University of London, UK) - appointed 27<sup>th</sup> June 2011; and
- Prof. Melissa Wright (Department of Geography, Pennsylvania State University, USA) - appointed 28<sup>th</sup> July 2011.

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**Other trustees in 2011/12:**

- Prof. Katherine McKittrick (Department of Gender Studies, Queen's University, Canada) - appointed 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012, resigned 27<sup>th</sup> April 2012 (appointment terminated 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012); and
- Prof. Rachel Pain (Department of Geography, Durham University, UK) - appointed 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011, resigned 13<sup>th</sup> September 2011 (appointment terminated 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012).

**Secretary:** Mr. Andrew Kent (antipode@live.co.uk) - appointed 21<sup>st</sup> October 2011.

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## Structure, Governance and Management

The Antipode Foundation was incorporated as a private company limited by guarantee on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2011 (no. 7604241) and registered as a charity on 7<sup>th</sup> July 2011 (no. 1142784). It has a governing body of eight trustees (who are also directors for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006) and a secretary to whom the day-to-day management of its affairs is delegated. The Foundation owns *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*, a leading critical human geography journal established in 1969, and grants an exclusive right to publish it to Blackwell Publishing Limited (hereafter Blackwell); in return it receives royalties equivalent to a proportion of the net revenues from subscription sales.

The Foundation's principal charitable activity and sole source of income is the production of *Antipode*; surpluses generated from primary purpose trading are either [i] distributed in the form of scholarships for individual doctoral students and grants made to universities and similar institutions to support conferences, workshops and seminar series or collaborations between academics and non-academic activists, or [ii] used to arrange and fund summer schools and public lectures. Together with *Antipode* itself, these initiatives promote and advance, for public benefit, social scientific research, education and scholarship in the field of radical and critical geography by enabling the pursuit and dissemination of valuable new knowledge.

The Foundation's board of trustees consists of four current and four former *Antipode* editors, appointed on the basis of their expertise in, and dedication to, the project of radical/critical human geography. Rachel Pain served as a ninth trustee, (and fifth editor) until the end of 2011. Rachel brought wisdom, insight and patience to her role (and revitalised the Book Series through her imaginative commissioning work), and the trustees are deeply regretful, although fully understanding, that she decided to step down. We offer Rachel our profound thanks for all her work as well as her ongoing support of the Foundation.

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The Foundation's articles of association outline its objects and trustee's powers and responsibilities, and prescribe regulations. Trustees are required to take decisions collectively; they communicate regularly throughout the year<sup>i</sup> and hold an annual general meeting at which the Foundation's objectives and activities are discussed, the last year's achievements and performance are reviewed (including a report from the Managing Editor of *Antipode* outlining the journal's progress, and any opportunities and challenges it faces), and decisions on the next year's grant-making and funding are made in the light of detailed financial plans. The quorum for this meeting is 50% of the trustees.

The current trustees will remain in post until 2015 unless they choose to resign beforehand. After 2015 the normal term for a trustee will be between three and five years, normally renewable once (giving a maximum term of ten years). When a trustee resigns the remaining trustees will select an appropriate replacement, seeking to not only recruit someone with the right skills and experience but also sustain/increase the board's diversity: an exclusive board risks alienating beneficiaries. The Foundation's trustees carefully consider the Charity Commission's and Institute of Chartered Secretaries and Administrators guidance on best practice regarding trustee induction.

Trustees are not entitled to direct remuneration, but the Foundation makes an annual grant of £1,000 to each trustee to be paid into a restricted account administered by the organisation which employs them. The grants are intended to support each trustee in their capacity as researcher, educator and scholar, and are gestures of appreciation and goodwill to the universities employing them. Without the time and labour of the trustees the Foundation would be unable to raise funds and work, and the Foundation will flourish only under the stewardship of the very best radical geographers. The grants allow the trustees to engage research and teaching assistants, attend academic conferences, and meet other costs associated with their scholarship (including books and equipment); administrators in their departments manage the funds, making them available when necessary. The Foundation may also pay any reasonable expenses which the trustees properly incur in connection

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with their attendance at meetings or otherwise in connection with their responsibilities in relation to the Foundation.

The Foundation has a rotating Chair who is responsible for overall communications and organisation of the annual trustees' meeting. Ideally, this Chair alternates between different geographical regions. The Chair for each year is confirmed at the annual Foundation meeting, with Wendy Lerner serving for 2011/12 and Nik Heynen for 2012/13.

The Foundation is exclusively responsible for establishing *Antipode's* editorial policy, defining the aims and scope, controlling the content, and selecting, appointing and supervising the editors and International Advisory Board<sup>ii</sup> to implement its editorial policy. The Foundation's secretary manages the journal's editorial office, overseeing *Antipode's* peer-review process and the compilation of issues for publication.

The current editors who are also trustees will complete their terms as follows: Paul Chatterton, May 2013; Nik Heynen and Wendy Lerner, February 2014; and Vinay Gidwani, October 2014. Five new *Antipode* editors will be appointed by the Foundation for a term of up to five years (with no right of renewal); they will be neither trustees nor employees of the Foundation, but will be asked to sign a memorandum of agreement which outlines their duties. The current editors solicit statements of interest and CVs to identify prospective editors<sup>iii</sup>, and make recommendations to the Foundation.

The Foundation will make an annual grant of £3,000 to each editor - £4,000 for the Managing Editor - to be paid into a restricted account administered by the organisation which employs them. These grants serve similar purposes to, and are managed in the same way as, grants made to the universities employing the trustees.<sup>iv</sup>

The five editors will make their own work arrangements, but at all times there must be a Managing Editor who will represent the other editors at Foundation meetings. The new editors will nominate one of their number for this role, and this person will become a ninth Foundation trustee and will have full voting rights. The

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first new editors will be Katherine McKittrick (Gender Studies, Queen's University, Canada) and Sharad Chari (Geography and Environment, London School of Economics, UK); they will be starting work later in 2012<sup>v</sup>.

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**Risk management:** The major risks to which the charity is exposed have been identified by the trustees. Their impact and likelihood have been assessed and procedures have been put in place to mitigate them. The document 'Risk Management and Internal Controls' (which considers the governance, operational, financial, environmental/external, and compliance risks the charity faces) is regularly referred to by the secretary and trustees during the year and reviewed at their annual general meeting in the light of relevant Charity Commission guidance.

The Foundation takes its role as an employer very seriously. Its reserves policy enables it to continue to employ its secretary if income were to fall dramatically, ensuring continuity of operations in the short term and allowing it to seek alternative sources of funding for the longer term. To review staff performance and discuss development needs, annual meetings between the secretary, the Foundation's chair and *Antipode's* Managing Editor take place; achievements over the past year are reviewed, objectives for the coming year are set, and career aspirations and opportunities are discussed.

The Foundation depends on a sole income source, namely, subscription revenues provided by or on behalf of readers of the journal *Antipode*. Open access publishing (where authors pay journals so-called 'article processing charges' and access for readers is then free) appears to be growing and gaining government support, and thus *Antipode's* subscription-based business model might become increasingly untenable. The Foundation will continually monitor the ongoing open access debate (maintaining contact with colleagues at organisations such as the Foundation for Urban and Regional Studies and the Regional Studies Association),

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situate its current business model in a wider landscape of possibilities, and explore desirable and feasible alternatives.



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## Objectives and Activities

The Foundation's objects are outlined in its articles of association; it exists specifically for public benefit and the promotion and improvement of social scientific research, education and scholarship in the field of radical and critical geography. To this end it enables the pursuit and dissemination of valuable new knowledge which advances the field by:

- Producing *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography*, a peer-reviewed academic journal published by Blackwell, and its companion website, AntipodeFoundation.org;
- Making grants to support conferences, workshops and seminar series; enable collaborations between academics and non-academic activists; and allow doctoral students to attend international conferences and cover additional research expenses; and
- Arranging and funding summer schools for doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, and recently appointed junior faculty; and public lectures at international geography conferences.

In setting these aims and undertaking these strategies to achieve them, the Foundation's trustees have carefully considered the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. The trustees regard any private benefit received by grant recipients and those participating in summer schools, *etc.* as incidental to the achievement of the Foundation's objects.

## Objectives

Radical/critical geography is a preeminent and vital part of the discipline of human geography in higher education in the UK, North America, the Antipodes, and South

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Africa, as well as Europe, Latin America, and South and East Asia. It is characterised, as some of our grant recipients recently put it, by “intellectual acuity, liveliness and pluralism”. On one level, there’s little between ‘radical geography’ and ‘critical geography’; the differences are meaningless. ‘Radical’ and ‘critical’ are simply synonyms; some prefer the former, others the latter, and both signify politically left-of-centre, progressive work for justice and democracy. On another, though, the existence of two labels has significance. Since the mid-to-late 60s the sub-discipline has expanded and pluralised, with an increasingly diverse set of Leftist geographers gaining legitimacy and positions of power in universities and the range of ‘valid’ approaches widening from the 1980s and 1990s. *Antipode* has always welcomed the infusion of new ideas and the shaking-up of old positions through dialogue and debate, never being committed to just one view of analysis or politics.

While radical/critical geography has changed considerably since the early days of *Antipode*, and is today more varied and vibrant than ever, one thing has remained the same - its ‘engaged’ nature. It’s “...[not] static and detached from what is going on in the world...[but] dynamic and profoundly influenced by events, struggles and politics beyond university life”<sup>vi</sup>. It has engaged with them, learning from and speaking to myriad individuals and groups, examining the worlds they cope with and their ways of responding to them. Neither despairing about domination and oppression nor naively hopeful about resistance and alternatives, radical/critical geography “...has come of age with movements for progressive political and social change”<sup>vii</sup> as both participant in and observer of them. It’s rigorous and intellectually substantive - and, to be sure, uses its fair share of arcane language! - and nevertheless radical/critical geography is remarkably ‘grounded’, concerned with confronting the world as it is and enacting changes people want to see.

The Foundation exists to promote and improve this diverse and outward-looking field. The beneficiaries of its work are ultimately academics, students and the individuals and groups they work with who are able to apply the useful new knowledge it helps pursue and disseminate. The Foundation carries out **seven** main activities in order to achieve its objectives.

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## Activities

[1] Since 1969 *Antipode: A Radical Journal of Geography* has published peer-reviewed papers which offer radical (Marxist/socialist/anarchist/feminist/anti-racist/queer/green)<sup>viii</sup> analyses of geographical issues such as place, space, landscape, scale, human-environment relations, uneven development, boundaries, borders, and connections. These essays further the intellectual and political goals of a broad-based critical human geography, intending to engender the development of a new and better society. Now appearing five times a year and published by Blackwell, *Antipode* publishes some of the best and most provocative geographical work available today; work from both geographers and their fellow travellers; from scholars both eminent and emerging. *Antipode* also publishes short commentaries (or 'Interventions'; these meditate on the state of radical practice and/or theory, cast a radical geographer's eye over 'live' events, or report strategies for change and forms of organisation producing a more socially just and radically democratic life), book reviews and review symposia (the online versions of these are open access, that is, freely available without a subscription)<sup>ix</sup>, and the *Antipode* Book Series (which publishes scholarship reflecting distinctive new developments in radical geographical research)<sup>x</sup>. It is complemented by a companion website, [AntipodeFoundation.org](http://AntipodeFoundation.org)

Access to both the print and the online<sup>xi</sup> versions of *Antipode* is restricted to individuals, higher education institutions, libraries, and other research establishments with a subscription. It is catalogued in the ISSN Register (International Standard Serial Numbers 0066-4812 [print] and 1467-8330 [online]) and included in the major indices of social scientific publications including Thomson Reuters Journal Citation Reports. Just over 4,000 institutions subscribed and had access to *Antipode* in 2011; just over half of these were in North America and Europe. Just under 6,000 additional institutions in the developing world had access (either free of charge or at a very low cost) through the philanthropic initiative Research4Life (this consists of three public-private partnerships which seek to help achieve the UN's Millennium Development Goals by providing the developing world with access to natural and

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social science research)<sup>xii</sup> and the Programme for the Enhancement of Research Information (PERii) of the International Network for the Availability of Scientific Publications (INASP)<sup>xiii</sup>. Finally, 3,000 libraries accessed *Antipode* in 2011 through EBSCOhost databases which allow third-party access to embargoed (that is, at least one year old) content.

**[2]** The Foundation seeks to support a new generation of radical geographers with **Graduate Student Scholarships**. These awards of US\$2,500 and a three-year subscription to *Antipode* are offered to current doctoral students working in any field of radical geographical scholarship (they could be based in sociology or anthropology departments, for example, but their research will be focused on matters of intellectual and political concern to radical geographers). One is awarded each year in the form of an individual grant (advertisements appear in issues 5 and 1 of *Antipode*, and it is announced on the Foundation's website and a number of electronic mailing lists used by radical/critical geographers), and the funds are intended to provide resources to attend an international conference and cover additional research expenses.

Applicants describe the form and content of their doctoral research - work undertaken thus far, preliminary findings, expected contributions to radical geography, our understanding of the world around us, and progressive social change - and explain how attending an international conference and further investigation will aid it. Applications are especially encouraged from the developing world and/or from those traditionally marginalised in the academy, and those who have already received a Graduate Student Scholarship are not eligible to apply for another. The Scholarship enables new voices to be heard at international meetings of scholars and offers funds to allow doctoral students to pursue emerging, often unanticipated issues in their research. Scholarship winners are announced on the Foundation's website<sup>xiv</sup> and they have an opportunity to introduce their research there in a short video. A summary of their doctoral research is published in *Antipode* also (the online version of the essay is made open access).

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**[3]** Antipode Foundation **Regional Workshop Awards** are single-year grants of up to £10,000 available to groups of radical/critical geographers staging regionally based events (including conferences, workshops, seminar series and summer schools) which involve the exchange of ideas across disciplinary and sectoral boundaries and intra/international borders, and lead to the building of productive, durable relationships. They make capacity-building in a region possible by enabling the development of a community of scholars.

Activists (of all kinds) and students as well as academics are welcome to apply, and applications are welcome from those based outside geography departments; historians, political scientists and many others can apply so long as their work contributes to radical/critical geographic conversations. Also, the trustees take care to call for proposals from historically under-represented groups, regions, countries and institutions. Applicants describe planned activities and rationale, expected outcomes, and dissemination and legacy plans (including conference presentations, peer-reviewed publications and teaching), and outline a budget. Eligible costs may include delegates' economy-class travel, accommodation and catering, and translation; the scheme is not intended to allow organisers to make a surplus from events. The grant must be held and administered by a host institution such as a university, and it is also expected that host institution facilities will be used to support events wherever possible.

Recipients of Regional Workshop Awards are announced on the Foundation's website; they provide short reports to the trustees one year after receipt of the grant outlining the ways in which research has been shared, developed and applied (and any problems which may have been encountered), and versions of these are made freely available on the Foundation's website (the trustees also encourage photos and recordings of presentations, *etc.*).

**[4]** Antipode Foundation **Scholar-Activist Project Awards** are single-year grants of up to £10,000 intended to support collaborations between academics and students and non-academic activists (from non-governmental organisations, think tanks, social movements, or community/grassroots organisations, among other places),

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including programmes of action-orientated and participatory research and publicly-focused forms of geographical investigation. They offer opportunities for scholars to relate to civil society and make mutually beneficial connections.

The trustees take care to call for proposals from historically under-represented groups, regions, countries and institutions<sup>xv</sup>. Applicants describe planned activities and rationale, expected outcomes, and dissemination and legacy plans (including conference presentations, peer-reviewed publications and teaching), and outline a budget. The grant must be held and administered by a host institution such as a university, and it is also expected that host institution facilities will be used to support projects wherever possible. The grant covers directly incurred costs only, including investigator costs where these help further our charitable mission; the Foundation will consider paying postgraduate research assistant and community researcher costs, but not, under normal circumstances, the cost of university employees.

Recipients of Scholar-Activist Project Awards are announced on the Foundation's website; they provide short reports to the trustees one year after receipt of the grant outlining the nature of the cooperation/co-enquiry and the mutual, lasting benefits (and any problems which may have been encountered), and versions of these are made freely available on the Foundation's website (the trustees encourage photos and video also).

**[5]** The Foundation supports the 'internationalisation' efforts of the **International Conference of Critical Geography (ICCG)**<sup>xvi</sup> by funding travel bursaries for graduate students, early-career researchers and independent scholars. The ICCG intends to facilitate constructive debates and collaborative projects and to build connections among critical geographers and other scholars and activists worldwide. It took place in India in 2007, Mexico 2005, Hungary 2002, South Korea 2000, and in Canada in 1997.

The Foundation makes £5,000 available for the conference organisers, the steering committee of the International Critical Geography Group (ICGG)<sup>xvii</sup>, to distribute in the form of individual grants; the vast majority of this sum (over four-

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fifths) is awarded to applicants from outside Europe and North America, with smaller bursaries being given to outstanding applicants from higher-income countries. The ICGG steering committee considers each applicant's proposed participation, attainment and ability, and access to required resources. The funds awarded cover travel only (accommodation is offered by students and colleagues of the conference organisers) and are intended to increase the diversity of those presenting papers and chairing sessions.

**[6]** The Foundation runs a **lecture series**, sponsoring sessions at the annual meetings of the Association of American Geographers (AAG)<sup>xviii</sup> and Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers) (RGS-IBG)<sup>xix</sup>. These annual international conferences are major events attracting around 7,000 and 1,000 delegates respectively, and are widely seen as vital venues for the exchange of cutting-edge ideas. Both charge registration/participation fees on a sliding scale, with substantial discounts available for students, retirees and those on a low income.

The trustees invite presenters who represent both the political commitment and intellectual integrity that characterise the sort of work which appears in *Antipode* and which the Foundation seeks to stimulate. The Foundation covers the travel and accommodation costs of the speakers and Blackwell films the lectures, making them freely available online<sup>xx</sup>. Speakers might also submit essays to be peer-reviewed and, if successful, published in *Antipode*. The lectures are inspiring and often provocative presentations from leading scholars, and also represent an excellent opportunity for the trustees to raise the profile of the Foundation, communicate its work to a wide audience, and in doing so maintain a good relationship with beneficiaries.

**[7]** The biennial **Institute for the Geographies of Justice** (IGJ) is a week-long opportunity for doctoral students, postdoctoral researchers, and recently appointed junior faculty (normally within three years of appointment) to engage leading-edge theoretical, methodological, and research-practice issues in the field of radical/critical geography and social justice, along with a range of associated professional and



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career-development matters. This international meeting is specifically designed to meet the needs of new scholars, taking the form of an intensive, interactive workshop for 25 participants and including facilitated discussion groups and debates, training and skills-development modules, and plenary sessions lead by established scholars.

The Foundation's trustees are joined by colleagues from around the world in facilitating/leading the elements of the week. Participants are required to pay a participation fee of US\$200 for doctoral students and US\$250 for junior faculty and postdoctoral researchers; this fee covers accommodation, some meals, and an end-of-week reception. The Foundation covers the remainder of the costs. Travel bursaries are also available, and are distributed as equitably as possible. Applicants are asked to outline their educational and employment histories, publication record, research interests and current project(s), and career plans and ambitions<sup>xxi</sup>. Participants are encouraged to submit jointly authored post-Institute reports for publication either in *Antipode* (the online version of the essay is made open access) or on AntipodeFoundation.org

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**Grantmaking policies:** When assessing applications for grants - whether Graduate Student Scholarships, Regional Workshop Awards or Scholar-Activist Project Awards - trustees recuse themselves where necessary. To prevent negative impacts on reputation and the possibility of trustees benefiting from the charity, trustees recuse themselves from decision-making processes involving applications for funding from departmental colleagues, former students, research collaborators, and the like; where there is any doubt about the 'strength' of the connection, trustees err on the side of caution and stand down.

While the trustees encourage applications from the developing world and/or from those traditionally marginalised in the academy (historically under-represented



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groups, regions, countries and institutions) the opportunity to benefit is not unreasonably restricted: nationality, gender, ethnicity, disability, sexual orientation, religion, and age are not determinants of success; the trustees consider the scientific merits of each workshop, project, *etc.* and applicants' ability and attainment or, in the case of graduate students, potential to develop as scholars, while trying to distribute funds as equitably as possible by taking resources available to applicants into consideration.

Checks are performed on the integrity of applicants, both individuals and the institutions holding and administering the funds. The latter are asked to confirm the applicant's position in the institution, that the applicant has considered the institution's research ethics guidelines, that the applicant has considered the institution's health and safety rules, that there are appropriate insurances in place, that the provision of additional support is in place in the form of, but not exclusively limited to, office space, computing and related equipment and support, and library facilities, and that the institution will manage the financial arrangements for the grant and allow its portability in the event that this is necessary and approved by the Foundation.

These policies will be reviewed at the next annual trustees' meeting.

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## Achievements and Performance

The 43<sup>rd</sup> volume of the journal **Antipode** was published in 2011. Its five issues contained, across 1,955 pages, a total of 74 papers, 13 book reviews, seven ‘interventions’ and an editorial. Highlights include special issues focusing on ‘the internationalisation of the state’, ‘the “new” carbon economy’, and ‘surplus populations, reproduction, and “race”’, and a symposium on the military-industrial complex. We received a good number of submissions for peer-review: 240 papers (147 of which were new submissions and 93 were re-submissions, that is, papers that had been previously submitted and refereed and then revised and re-submitted). To put this in context, from 2000 to 2003 the journal received approximately 50-60 papers per year; this rose to just over 100 by 2005, approximately 170-180 by 2007, and just under 260 by 2009. Approximately 24% of all submissions were from the US, 22% from the UK, 11% from New Zealand, 10% from Canada, and 5% from Australia.

*Antipode*’s ‘impact factor’ increased from 1.284 in 2010 to 2.150 in 2011<sup>xxii</sup> - this meant a move up the Thomson Reuters Journal Citation Reports ranking of geography journals from 26 of 67 to 10 of 73; the journal’s online presence also strengthened in 2011, with downloads of *Antipode* papers from Wiley Online Library increasing from just over 167,000 in 2010 to 218,000; and over 96% of 2010’s subscriptions were renewed for 2011. We’re confident *Antipode* remains popular, and its papers are being read and used in further research. The *Antipode* Book Series published two strong contributions, both edited books - Dan Brockington and Rosaleen Duffy’s *Capitalism and Conservation* and Peter Newell, Max Boykoff and Emily Boyd’s *The New Carbon Economy: Constitution, Governance, and Contestation* - and its commissioning editor, Rachel Pain, worked closely with the authors/editors of four titles under contract - Brett Christophers’ *Banking Across Boundaries: Placing Finance in Capitalism*, Michael Ekers, Gillian Hart, Stefan Kipfer and Alex Loftus’ edited book *Gramsci: Space, Nature, Politics*, Fiona Mackenzie’s

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*Places of Possibility: Property, Nature, and Community Land Ownership* and Mark Purcell's *The Down-deep Delight of Democracy*.

2011 was something of a landmark year for *Antipode*. Shortly after registering the Foundation with the Charity Commission in July 2011 the trustees brought a long process of negotiation to a successful close by signing a new journal publishing agreement with Blackwell. While the Foundation is and shall remain the owner of the journal (and has total control over content), it has granted to Blackwell the exclusive right to publish it from January 2012 to December 2019. The contract means an unprecedented level of financial security (thanks in part to a 'signing bonus' received in August 2011), as well as the continuation of a constructive working relationship with Blackwell's excellent publishing team.

Finally, the trustees believe strong peer reviewing is perhaps the single most important element in ensuring the quality and relevance of papers in *Antipode*. Our commitment to publishing the best possible papers - writing that is politically-engaged, timely and passionate, and done with theoretical and empirical rigour - would falter were it not for the voluntary labour of our reviewers; mutuality is the lifeblood of journals such as ours. We would like to thank the nearly 300 referees who gave their time and energy generously, offering insights and expertise to comment on one or more papers in 2011/12.

There were 44 applications for the 2011/12 **Graduate Student Scholarship**; the majority (40) came from applicants based at North American and European universities. The Scholarship was awarded to Oliver Belcher, a doctoral student in the Department of Geography, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada. Oliver received his award in May 2011 and in June 2011 presented his research, 'Best-Laid Schemes: Postcolonialism, Military Social Science, and the Making of US Counterinsurgency Doctrine, 1940-2009', to the conference 'New Ways of War? Insurgencies, "Small Wars", and the Past and Future of Conflict' at the Clinton Institute for American Studies, University College Dublin. In January 2012 he also presented his research in a 'video abstract' on [AntipodeFoundation.org](http://AntipodeFoundation.org)<sup>xxiii</sup> and an open-access essay in volume 44, issue 1 of *Antipode*<sup>xxiv</sup>. Oliver is currently

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completing his PhD at UBC and is a visiting scholar at the University of Oulu in Finland.

Neither **Regional Workshop Awards** nor **Scholar-Activist Project Awards** were made in the year 2011/12. Immediately after registering the Foundation with the Charity Commission in July 2011 the trustees set out to ensure it didn't lack direction and drive (and thus 'drift' and fail to meet the needs of its beneficiaries) in its first year. Following a number of virtual - that is to say, via phone or e-mail - preparatory meetings that summer and autumn, and a great deal of investigation of organisations with similar objectives, the trustees and secretary met in London between 18<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> March 2012 to discuss feasible and desirable charitable activities and decide how, exactly, the Foundation should make grants and sponsor research.

The meeting, facilitated by ICA:UK (a registered charity which offers education in communication skills and participatory methods to enable more effective participation in organisations), led to the production of a 'strategic plan' outlining a set of aims (and strategies for achieving those aims over the next three years); analysing the environment in which the Foundation operates (and the threats and opportunities it faces there); and formulating plans and targets for the trustees and secretary.

One of the most important outcomes of the meeting was specifications for the Regional Workshop Awards and Scholar-Activist Project Awards. Calls for applications for these were launched on the Foundation's website and a number of electronic mailing lists used by radical/critical geographers in April 2012. The deadline for applications was the end of June, by which point the Foundation had received 62 applications for Regional Workshop Awards and 105 applications for Scholar-Activist Project Awards. Decisions were made in July and applicants informed in early August; ten Awards were made with a value of almost £90,000. This process will be reported in the trustees' 2012/13 annual report<sup>xxv</sup>.

The steering committee of the International Critical Geography Group distributed £5,000 among 12 graduate students, early-career researchers and independent

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scholars, enabling them to attend the 6<sup>th</sup> **International Conference of Critical Geography** which took place in Frankfurt am Main, Germany, between 16<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> August 2011. There were 28 applications for travel bursaries.

Seven applicants from countries classified 'lower-' or 'upper-middle-income' by the World Bank<sup>xxvi</sup> shared £4,300 (Karen Itzel Flores Barojas, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico / Jitesh Malik, independent scholar, India / Patricia Oliveira, Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México, Mexico / Andre Pasti, Universidade Estadual de Campinas, Brazil / Madisson Yojan Carmona Rojas, Universidad Autónoma Metropolitana, Mexico / Irene Vélez-Torres, Universidad Nacional de Colombia, Colombia / Gonzalo Julián Yurkievich, Universidad Nacional de Mar del Plata, Argentina) with five applicants from North America and Europe sharing the remainder (Verónica Tapia Barría, independent scholar, Spain / Stacy Douglas, University of Kent, UK / Lisa Myers, Ontario College of Art and Design University, Canada / Laura Pitkanen, University of Toronto, Canada / Michaela Pixová, Charles University in Prague, Czech Republic).

The trustees agreed that Wendy Larner should attend the Conference as the Foundation's representative. Wendy reports that it is an excellent event, much more international than most geography conferences with a remarkably wide range of countries represented; the Conference was also representative of a refreshing diversity of scholarly traditions and forms of research. Wendy accepted an invitation to join the steering committee of the International Critical Geography Group, which will ensure a closer working relationship in the future.

The year 2011/12 has seen the Foundation spend almost £5,000 sponsoring three **lectures** and planning one more.

- At the 2011 annual meeting of the Association of American Geographers (AAG) in Seattle, 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> April, Lynn Staeheli - Professor of Geography at Durham University, UK - presented 'Whose Responsibility Is It?'

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- At the 2012 AAG annual meeting in New York, 24<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> February, Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak - Professor of English and Comparative Literature at Columbia University, USA - presented 'A Conversation with Gayatri Spivak'.
- At the 2011 annual international conference of the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers) (RGS-IBG) in London, 31<sup>st</sup> August-2<sup>nd</sup> September, Jamie Peck - trustee of the Antipode Foundation and Professor of Geography at the University of British Columbia, Canada - presented 'Beyond the Neoliberal Zombieland'.
- At the 2012 RGS-IBG annual international conference in Edinburgh, 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> July, Katherine Gibson - Professor of Geography at the University of Western Sydney, Australia - presented 'Take Back the Economy, Any Time, Any Place: Pedagogies for Securing Community Economies'.

The lectures were well attended with approximately 250 delegates at the 2011 AAG, a capacity audience of 500 at the 2012 annual meeting, and approximately 150 delegates at the 2011 RGS-IBG annual international conference. The videos of the lectures were also popular with approximately 380 viewings of the 2011 AAG<sup>xxvii</sup> and 300 of the 2011 RGS-IBG<sup>xxviii</sup> in 2011 alone.

The 2011 **Institute for the Geographies of Justice** was organised by Nik Heynen and took place in the Department of Geography at the University of Georgia (Athens, Georgia, USA) between 30<sup>th</sup> May and 3<sup>rd</sup> June. Nik was joined by two other trustees, Vinay Gidwani and Wendy Lerner, as well as Patrick Bond (University of KwaZulu-Natal), Laura Pulido (University of Southern California) and Wendy Wolford (Cornell University) in facilitating/leading an intensive, interactive week of discussion, debate, training and skills-development. 28 doctoral student, postdoctoral researcher, and recently appointed junior faculty delegates<sup>xxix</sup> engaged contentious issues including defining and mapping the future of radical/critical geography, models of engagement/activist-scholarship, interdisciplinary work, public geographies, the geographies of justice, the institutional cultures of radical geography, how to teach

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radical geographies, and publishing radical geographies. As one of the delegates put it, the group came together "...to discuss and mobilise around silences, under-examined stakes, unanswered questions, and urgent needs for research and organising actions".

The Foundation contributed over £6,000 toward the costs of the 2011 IGJ, making an institutional grant to the University of Georgia and reimbursing the costs actually incurred by Nik (that is, US\$9,730 [£6,159] and US\$175 [£111] respectively; delegates' contributions came to US\$5,250, and the total cost was US\$15,155). Travel bursaries weren't available for the 2011 IGJ, but we hope they will open up the 2013 IGJ - which will be organised by Nik and Patrick Bond and take place in the School of Development Studies and Centre for Civil Society at the University of KwaZulu-Natal (Durban, South Africa) between 27<sup>th</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> June - to a wider range of delegates: only one of the delegates at the 2011 IGJ came from a university in a country not classified 'high-income' by the World Bank<sup>xxx</sup>.

Finally, **the Foundation's website** - AntipodeFoundation.org - was launched in January 2012 and thus far has been a success. In its first six months it received just under 9,500 page views per month (a very respectable figure, so we're told!) and has hosted all manner of material complementing both *Antipode* the journal and the wider work of the Foundation. As well as advertising the Graduate Student Scholarship, Regional Workshop and Scholar-Activist Project Awards, the lecture series, and the 2013 Institute for the Geographies of Justice, and disseminating sponsored research, it has hosted video abstracts and interviews introducing readers to an author's forthcoming work and making links between it and the concerns of our times; open access 'virtual issues' of the journal which explore the digital archive and highlight groups of papers speaking to issues both timely and 'timeless'; symposia consisting of critical responses to *Antipode* papers and authors' replies; and reports on current affairs from graduate students which demonstrate the value of a geographical imagination by suggesting how the work of radical geographers (and their fellow travellers) might cast light on them. All material on AntipodeFoundation.org can be downloaded, free of charge, and shared with others

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## Financial Review

*Please see the appended Independent Examiner's report, statement of financial activities, balance sheet and notes.*

**Incoming resources:** The Foundation's principal source of funding for 2011/12 was royalties from Blackwell, that is, monies payable by the publisher of *Antipode* to the Foundation in consideration for its exclusive right to publish the journal. These monies are equivalent to a proportion of the net revenues from the exercise of this right, including income from subscription sales, sales of back volumes, single issues and offprints, and reprint fees charged.

The Foundation also received: interest on its bank account; a transfer in of funds from *Antipode* as it was before the Foundation incorporated as a company and registered as a charity; and both a contribution to the costs of the editorial office and a 'signing bonus' from Blackwell (on which see below).

**Resources expended:** as well as the trustees' honoraria/grants made to the institutions employing the trustees (totalling £38,667 [see again endnote iv]), the Foundation's expenditure in direct support of its charitable purposes included £11,198 on conferences (that is, £6,270 on the 2011 Institute for the Geographies of Justice and £4,928 on the 2011 and 2012 Association of American Geographers and Royal Geographical Society [with the Institute of British Geographers] lectures) and £7,344 on scholarships and bursaries (that is, £1,544 on the 2011/12 Graduate Student Scholarship and £5,800 on the 2011 International Conference of Critical Geography).

It is perhaps worth noting that while spending on charitable activities was relatively low (prior to instituting the Regional Workshop and Scholar-Activist Project

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Awards), governance costs were high this, our first year - though the trustees believe that spending on legal advice regarding the new journal publishing agreement with Blackwell and facilitation for their first annual general meeting was a wise use of resources (the result being better terms for the Foundation and time productively spent in London).

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**Reserves and investment policies:** The Foundation keeps both long-term and short-term reserves. It does so in order to balance the needs of current and future beneficiaries: short-term reserves enable it to cope with future challenges, while long-term reserves enable it to respond to future opportunities. Saving now, as the trustees see it, enables necessary and important spending in the future. These policies are reviewed at each annual general meeting of the trustees and Charity Commission guidance is continually monitored.

*Long-term reserves:* The one-off 'signing bonus' of £230,000 received in August 2011 (after signing the new journal publishing agreement with Blackwell in July 2011) has been earmarked and set aside for spending over the course of the contract. £28,750 will supplement each year's income for the seven years from May 2012 to April 2019. Each year the Foundation expects to spend its total income plus £28,750 from these funds. This earmarking enables the Foundation to be even-handed to future and current beneficiaries, that is, to be open to opportunities which may arise in the coming years.

These funds *qua* savings are expected to grow more or less in line with inflation over the term of the investment, and thus to maintain their value in real terms. The Foundation's investment policy seeks to balance security, attractive interest rates, and a financial institution's ethical policies; the Foundation opened an investment account at the Co-operative Bank for 2012.

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*Short-term reserves:* The Foundation depends on a single income source, but large reserves are not necessary (despite the general economic situation and expected growth of open access publishing and the effects these are likely to have on subscription and related revenues) because [i] the ring-fenced 'signing bonus' has a buffering effect and [ii] expenditure is related to income. One-year funding decisions are made after annual income has been received; matching the timing of outgoing resources to that of incoming ones means we can plan and maximise spending for the year.

The Foundation has a legal responsibility to perform as outlined in its contract with Blackwell, and if subscription revenues were to fall dramatically (if, for example, the environment in which the Foundation operates were to radically change) funds would need to be in place to enable it to do so. Nevertheless, large reserves are unnecessary because of a guaranteed income stream for the editorial office<sup>xxxi</sup>. This income stream, plus an additional £28,750 to be held in reserve, will enable the Foundation to employ its secretary and meet incidental operating expenses for a period of 12 months while its trustees seek alternative sources of funding.

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## Plans for Future Periods

The meeting of the Foundation's trustees in March 2012 yielded a number of plans. Already in process are the 2012/13 Graduate Student Scholarship (which was advertised in issue one of *Antipode's* 44<sup>th</sup> volume in January 2012), the 2012 and 2013 AAG and RGS-IBG lectures, the 2012/13 Regional Workshop and Scholar-Activist Project Awards, and the 2013 IGJ in Durban, South Africa (all mentioned above). The 2012/13 Graduate Student Scholarship will, however, be the last: the trustees have decided to focus on initiatives which promote collaboration and community building, cooperation and co-enquiry (the IGJ is an excellent example), rather than simply supporting individuals.

To secure *Antipode's* longer-term future, there are plans in place to work with colleagues at Blackwell and geography publications such as *ACME*<sup>xxxii</sup> to think through what the future of academic publishing might look like and discuss alliance building to promote and advance social scientific research, education and scholarship in the field of radical and critical geography. The trustees are also concerned to ensure that those editing *Antipode*, their advisory board, those submitting papers to the journal, and those attending events like the IGJ are as diverse as possible. While the trustees have a good feel for what's happening where in Anglophone radical/critical geography, they have a limited sense of how it is with other regions and countries. Given this, increasing 'internationalisation' will enable them to access extant networks, begin to 'map' radical/critical geography as it is in different regions and countries, and develop some understanding of different politico-intellectual traditions, research agendas, events/organisations/conferences/journals, and resource needs. This strategy should allow them to continually re-assess the structure of the Regional Workshop and Scholar-Activist Project Awards, for example, to ensure they meet the needs of a broad set of beneficiaries.

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i The trustees held five formal meetings during the year - 27<sup>th</sup> July 2011, 14<sup>th</sup> October, 15<sup>th</sup> November, 18<sup>th</sup> March 2012 (annual general meeting) and 17<sup>th</sup> April. In addition to these meetings there were also more regular, less formal telephone calls and e-mail exchanges.

ii A list of members is available here: <http://antipodefoundation.org/about-the-journal-and-foundation/international-advisory-board/>

iii “*Antipode*’s future editors will be appointed by the trustees of the Antipode Foundation. If you are interested in becoming more involved with *Antipode* please let us know by contacting Andrew Kent at [antipode@live.co.uk](mailto:antipode@live.co.uk)”. See: <http://antipodefoundation.org/about-the-journal-and-foundation/editorial-collective/>

iv While the trustee payments are made in the year to which they relate, the editor payments are made one year in arrears. In 2011/12 the following payments were made:

### *Regarding 2010/11*

£4,000 – the University of Bristol, regarding Wendy Lerner (September 2011);  
 £3,000 – the University of Leeds, regarding Paul Chatterton (August 2011);  
 £3,000 – direct to Vinay Gidwani (July 2011);  
 £3,000 – direct to Nik Heynen (July 2011); and  
 £3,000 – direct to Rachel Pain (July 2011).

### *Regarding 2011/12*

£5,000 – the University of Bristol, regarding Wendy Lerner (£1,000 in September 2011, £4,000 August 2012);

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£4,000 – the University of Leeds, regarding Paul Chatterton (£1,000 in August 2011, £3,000 in August 2012);

£4,000 – the University of Minnesota, regarding Vinay Gidwani (£1,000 in March 2012, £3,000 in August 2012);

£4,000 – the University of Georgia, regarding Nik Heynen (£1,000 in November 2011, £3,000 in July 2012);

£1,667 – Durham University, regarding Rachel Pain (covering the period August 2011-December 2011, £417 and £1,250 in January 2012);

£1,000 – the University of Manchester, regarding Noel Castree (November 2011);

£1,000 – the University of British Columbia, regarding Jamie Peck (November 2011);

£1,000 – Queen Mary University of London, regarding Jane Wills (November 2011);  
and

£1,000 – Universidad Autónoma de Ciudad Juárez, regarding Melissa Wright (Pennsylvania State University wished to levy a 20% administration fee, and thus Melissa paid research assistant expenses in Mexico directly and the Foundation reimbursed her £978 in June 2012 [£22 will be carried over to 2012/13]).

v Katherine was appointed as both a new editor *and a trustee* on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012 before the policy regarding the division of labour between trustees and new editors had been made. After the policy had been instituted, Katherine resigned from the board of trustees on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2012 (her appointment was formally terminated on 15<sup>th</sup> May 2012), and when she starts work later in 2012 will do so solely as an editor.

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vi Alison Blunt and Jane Wills, *Dissident Geographies: An Introduction to Radical Ideas and Practice*, Harlow: Pearson, 2000 (p.xi).

vii George Henderson and Marvin Waterstone, *Geographic Thought: A Praxis Perspective*, Abingdon: Routledge, 2009 (p.xiii).

viii This list is indicative rather than exhaustive. For more on the type of work *Antipode* publishes, see Chatterton P, Gidwani V, Heynen N, Kent A, Lerner W and Pain R (2011) *Antipode* in an antithetical era. *Antipode* 43(2):181-189 (copies available upon request).

ix See <http://antipodefoundation.org/book-reviews/>

x A list of titles in the *Antipode* Book Series is available here:  
<http://eu.wiley.com/WileyCDA/Section/id-324286.html>

xi The online version of the journal is available via Wiley Online Library:  
<http://www.wileyonlinelibrary.com/journal/anti>

xii See <http://www.research4life.org/programmes.html>

xiii See <http://www.inasp.info/file/5f65fc9017860338882881402dc594e4/perii.html>

xiv See <http://antipodefoundation.org/graduate-student-scholarship/past-winners/>

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xv Advertisements/announcements for both the Scholar-Activist Project Awards and the Regional Workshop Awards appear on the Foundation's website ([AntipodeFoundation.org](http://AntipodeFoundation.org)) and a number of electronic mailing lists used by radical/critical geographers (including CRIT-GEOG-FORUM, LEFTGEOG, and lists used in Latin America and South and East Asia).

xvi International Conference of Critical Geography (ICCG): <http://iccg2011.twoday.net/>

xvii International Critical Geography Group (ICGG):  
<http://internationalcriticalgeography.org/>

xviii Association of American Geographers (AAG) annual meeting:  
<http://www.aag.org/cs/annualmeeting>

xix Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers) (RGS-IBG) annual international conference:  
<http://www.rgs.org/WhatsOn/ConferencesAndSeminars/Annual+International+Conference/Annual+international+conference.htm>

xx Films of the AAG and RGS-IBG lectures are available here:  
[http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291467-8330/homepage/lecture\\_series.htm](http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/10.1111/%28ISSN%291467-8330/homepage/lecture_series.htm)

xxi Information for applicants is available here - <http://antipodefoundation.org/institute-for-the-geographies-of-justice/apply/> - and advertisements/announcements appear on



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electronic mailing lists used by radical/critical geographers.

xxii The two-year impact factor is calculated by dividing the number of citations in 2011 of *Antipode* papers published in the previous two years by the number of *Antipode* papers published in the previous two years (230 / 107 = 2.150). As Thomson Reuters put it, "... JCR [Journal Citation Reports] provides quantitative tools for ranking, evaluating, categorising, and comparing journals. The impact factor is one of these; it is a measure of the frequency with which the 'average article' in a journal has been cited in a particular year or period. The annual JCR impact factor is a ratio between citations and recent citable items published. Thus, the impact factor of a journal is calculated by dividing the number of current year citations to the source items published in that journal during the previous two years"

([http://thomsonreuters.com/products\\_services/science/free/essays/impact\\_factor/](http://thomsonreuters.com/products_services/science/free/essays/impact_factor/)).

xxiii See <http://antipodefoundation.org/graduate-student-scholarship/past-winners/>

xxiv See <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/j.1467-8330.2011.00948.x/abstract>

xxv Additional information is available here - <http://antipodefoundation.org/regional-workshop-awards/> - and here - <http://antipodefoundation.org/scholar-activist-project-awards/>

xxvi See <http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-classifications/country-and-lending-groups>

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xxvii 2011 AAG lecture video: <http://tinyurl.com/93897kd>

xxviii 2011 RGS-IBG lecture video: <http://tinyurl.com/8px4mse>

xxix A list of participants is available here: <http://antipodefoundation.org/institute-for-the-geographies-of-justice/past-institutes/athens-ga-usa-30-may-3-june-2011/>

xxx See <http://data.worldbank.org/about/country-classifications/country-and-lending-groups>

xxxi Each year Blackwell pay to the Foundation a contribution to the costs of the editorial office; for the year 2012 £30,000 was paid. The contribution will rise with the UK Consumer Price Index during the contract term.

xxxii *ACME: An International E-Journal for Critical Geographies* - <http://www.acme-journal.org>