Update Sustainable Society

The last update from Sustainable Society in 2014.


On 19 November the University of Groningen, University of Kent and the British Council organised a Brussels policy meeting called 'Addressing the Asylum Crisis: Religious Contributions to Rethinking Global Protection'. The event was hosted by Dennis de Jong (MEP) at the European Parliament. Important input for the discussion was the policy paper which included 19 policy recommendations how to address the asylum crisis from a policy perspective. This paper outlines insights and recommendations from both US and European experts on issues concerning the asylum crisis. De Jong received the paper with a great deal of interest. He wants to bring the recommendations one step further by involving them in an official policy letter addressed to the EU European Asylum Support Office. A great example of how Social Sciences and Humanities can create policy impact on European level. Read more

New: SuSo lunches for the University of Groningen

Sustainable Society will organise SuSo lunches in 2015. These one hour lunches give scientists and researchers a network opportunity and the possibility to meet researchers from other faculties. You will learn about the latest developments and results of the Sustainable Society pillar and share your ideas. At the start of these lunches, an inspiring key note speaker will open the buffet.

The first lunch will take place on 19 February 2015. Attendees are the members of the Sustainable Society Steering Committee and university of Groningen researchers linked to Sustainable Society. You are welcome to join in. We are not in favor of food spillage, an expression of interest e-mail would be appreciated.
Upcoming events

Now 2014 is almost over, we want to inform you about the next two upcoming events in 2015. In January, we organise an event called "Emancipation and Diversity in the Netherlands and Beyond". In February we arrange an expertmeeting in Brussels called "Promoting" and "Protecting" Freedom of Religion and Belief in the EU and Abroad. You can find more detailed information about the events on our website.

December column 'No, thats mine!'

Every month Sustainable Society posts a new column on her website. For the December column we asked Sharon Smit, Director of Sustainable Society. She wrote a personal column on world issues, freedom and the value of our society. Got curious? Read the column (in Dutch).