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SHORT DESCRIPTION

Sreeja Jaiswal joined AWI in March 2022 as the Humboldt Foundation's International Climate Protection Postdoc Fellow. At AWI she is working on estimating the impact of India's protected area policies on labor market and environmental outcomes. Previously, she has worked in MS Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai where she supervised projects on equity and justice in climate policy, climate finance, and climate change and agriculture. She has served as a member of the Government of India's delegation to IPCC's Sixth Assessment Report's Working Group II and III approval plenaries. Her research interests include environmental and development economics, equity and justice in climate policy, climate change negotiations, climate finance, and climate change and agriculture. She has published on impact evaluation of infrastructure projects, environmental politics around large infrastructure projects and on issues of justice and equity in the international climate change regime.

EDUCATION

- 2020** Ph.D. Development Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences (TISS), Mumbai.
- 2014** M.A., Development Studies, TISS, Mumbai.
Awarded the Institute Gold Medal for the Best student in Development Studies, 2014;
Best Student, First Year in Masters in Development Studies, 2013
- 2012** B.A. Economics (Hons), Jamshedpur Cooperative College (Kolhan University), Jamshedpur, India

PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

- March 2022 -- Humboldt International Climate Protection Postdoc Fellow, University of Heidelberg
- Aug 2021-Feb 2022 Senior Scientist, Climate Change Group at MS Swaminathan Research Foundation
- Feb, 2020-Jul 2021 Project Supervisor, MS Swaminathan Research Foundation, Chennai
- Jan 2017-Dec -Aug 2019 Co-Principal Investigator, TISS, Mumbai in Socio-Economic and Environmental Impact of Konkan Railway. Funder: International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie)
- Jan -Apr 2019 Assistant Professor, Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability Studies, TISS, Mumbai
- 2015-2016 Research Assistant, TISS, Mumbai in "Equity and Differentiation in the Context of the 2015 Climate Agreement" commissioned by MoEFCC.
- May-Jun 2013 Research Intern, Centre for Policy Research(CPR), New Delhi. Interned with Dr Navroz Dubash.

POLICY ENGAGEMENT

- Member, Government of India Delegation to the Fifty-sixth session of the IPCC (IPCC-56) and WGIII AR6 Approval Plenary
- Member, Government of India Delegation, Fifty-fifth session of the IPCC (IPCC-55) and WGII AR6 Approval Plenary

- Contributor -India's Third Biennial Update Report to the UNFCC

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- Sreeja Jaiswal & Gunther Bensch, "A Methodological Framework to Address Gaps in the Evidence on Infrastructure Impacts: The Case of an Indian Railway Project Evaluation," *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 26:1,32-44 <https://doi.org/10.1080/1350178X.2018.1561073>.
- Sreeja Jaiswal & T Jayaraman , "Mainstream International Relations Impeding Equity And Global Climate Justice?," *Economic & Political Weekly*, 54 (25) (2019). <https://www.epw.in/journal/2019/25/special-articles/international-relations-impeding-equity-and-global.html>
- Sreeja Jaiswal, "Looking beyond the Idyllic Representations of the Rural: The Konkan Railway Controversy and Middle-Class Environmentalism in India," *Journal of Political Ecology* 25(1) (2018): 261–78, <http://dx.doi.org/10.2458/v25i1.22046>.
- Sreeja Jaiswal, *Commercial Surrogacy In India: An Ethical Assessment of Existing Legal Scenario from the Perspective Of Women's Autonomy and Reproductive Rights*, 16(1), March 2012, Gender, Technology and Development, Sage Publications

REPORTS

- Jaiswal, Sreeja, Gunther Bensch, Aniket Navalkar, and T. Jayaraman. "The Socio-Economic and Environmental Impact of a Large Infrastructure Project: The Case of the Konkan Railway in India". *Ruhr Economic Papers*. RWI, January 2022. <https://en.rwi-essen.de/publikationen/ruhr-economic-papers/1182/>.
- Sreeja Jaiswal, Bensch, G, Navalkar A, Jayaraman T, Murari, K and Patnaik U, 2020. Evaluating the impact of infrastructure development: case study of the Konkan Railway in India, 3ie Impact Evaluation Report 114. New Delhi: International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie).

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Jaiswal, Sreeja, and Goutham R. Forthcoming. "Following The Money Trail: Climate Finance, Climate Justice and India " in *Climate Change: India's Perceptions, Policies and Expectations*, edited by J. Bhatt and K. Parikh. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, New Delhi.

RESEARCH PROJECTS

2021 Cotton Resilience, Fairtrade UK.

2021 "Undertaking Four Assessments in Three States for use in Adaptation Fund Proposal", World Food Programme

2021 Global Contextualization and Inter-Country Comparisons in India's Third National Communication, MoEFCC-GEF-UNDP.

2020 Equity and CBDR-RC in the Paris Agreement- Implications for India.

2016 International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), Development Priority Window Grant (with T Jayaraman)
Grant amount: 282,614 USD

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- Invited panelist in 2021 Asian Evaluation Week panel on *Remote Sensing for Transformational Evaluation: Lessons from the Digital Field* , 9th Sep 2021
- Invited Panelist for 3ie Panel on Technological advances in measuring impact in EvalFest 2020: Evidence Building for Achieving SDGs – Digital Development and Inclusion, 12- 14 February, 2020, New Delhi, organized by Evaluation Community of India (ECOI) in partnership with NITI-Ayog, CLEAR/J-PAL South Asia and others

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- Invited to present at 3ie Monthly Seminar Series, New Delhi, on Socio-economic and environmental impacts of the Konkan Railway in India, 26 July 2019

WORKSHOPS

- CapSEM (Capacity Building in Sustainability and Environmental Management) Symposium: Transition to sustainability practices, 11-12 September 2019, Makerere University Business School (MUBS), Uganda..
- Exchange visit to TU-Delft under CapSEM (Capacity Building in Sustainability and Environmental Management) project, 10th March to 14th March 2019.

MEDIA ARTICLES

Sreeja Jaiswal and T Jayaraman. 2021. "Deconstructing Climate Finance." *The Hindu*, October 14.

MEDIA MENTIONS

Gabbatiss, Josh. 'Analysis: Why Climate-Finance "Flows" Are Falling Short of \$100bn Pledge'. Carbon Brief, 25 October 2021. <https://www.carbonbrief.org/analysis-why-climate-finance-flows-are-falling-short-of-100bn-pledge>.

———. 'Climate-Adaptation Funds Have Not Reached Half of "Most Vulnerable" Nations, Study Finds'. Carbon Brief, 20 January 2022. <https://www.carbonbrief.org/climate-adaptation-funds-have-not-reached-half-of-most-vulnerable-nations-study-finds>.

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2017 INET's Young Scholar's Initiative(YSI) Scholarship to attend the International Network for Economic Methodology(INEM) Conference, Spain
- 2016 Was selected from among 1000 applicants to participate in the fully funded Brown University's International Advanced Research Institutes (BIARI) on Climate Change and Its Impacts, held at Brown University, USA. Jun 4-18
- 2015 University Grants Commission's (UGC) JRF (Junior Research Fellowship) in Economics
- 2014 Institute Gold Medal for the Best student in Development Studies, TISS, Mumbai
- 2013 Best Student of the First Year in Masters in Development Studies, TISS, Mumbai

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Reviewer for Journal of Political Ecology; Review of Agrarian Studies
- Member of the organizing team for TISS Annual Conference on Climate Change from 2015 to 2019.
- Member of the organizing team for DST-TISS Workshop on "Developments in Climate Change and Sustainable Development; 11th – 23rd Nov, 2019 and "Socio-Economic and Political Developments in Climate Change" Centre for Climate Change and Sustainability Studies (TISS, Mumbai); 4th - 16th Jun, 2018.