

English School Section Annual Report 2013-2014

2013 saw a slow growth in numbers and the establishment of a sister section--historical studies--with whom the English School section will be working closely. The section mounted 17 single and joint-sponsored panels for the 2013 conference, among which at least four were openers for joint research projects. The big event of the year was the publication in December 2013 of the "Guide to the English School in International Relations", a development of the ISA encyclopedia, by Wiley. It contains twelve substantive chapters on all aspects of the English School approach to the international, and will serve as the basic guide to the School for the foreseeable future. ISA members also participated in the new volume on "Ethical Reasoning in International Affairs: arguments from the Middle Ground" for Macmillan, which places ES normative theorizing within the broader context of value pluralism. The most exciting was the initiation of a new research project on international organization, which aims to develop a new paradigm for their understanding and study, based on their roles as reproductive agencies for the fundamental institutions of international society.

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