Center for New Institutional Social Sciences

2009-2010 Annual Report

Washington University in St. Louis
ARTS & SCIENCES
The Center for New Institutional Social Sciences originated with the work of Douglass C. North, Nobel Prize Laureate in Economics in 1993. Central to Professor North’s work is applying economics more effectively to enhance the growth and development of individual nations. The Center started operations in 2001 and established its base programs by 2004. The Center is focusing its efforts on two main goals:

1. Promoting new institutional designs to help foster the political stability and economic growth of developing and transition economies.

2. Drawing on the various social sciences in an interdisciplinary effort to make practical progress towards that first goal.

**The Center runs four parallel programs:**

1. A certificate program for Ph.D. students interested in the law, macro-economics, culture, and political economy of transition societies.

2. The Hirsch Family Undergraduate Program provides special incentives to the brightest students at Washington University to help them embark on careers in analysis and policy making in developing countries and transition societies.

3. A series of conferences and lectures directed at the development of better scientific understanding of the challenges facing third world countries.

4. An original, primary research program, supported at the Center and elsewhere, dedicated to improving the institutional design and the rule of law in countries with special needs, and addressing the challenges facing them.
The Center made great strides this past year in expanding our educational programs, conducting new and innovative research projects, and receiving grant support for our research efforts. We are proud of all of our accomplished students and faculty who continue to conduct groundbreaking research and earn well-deserved awards and recognition both within our walls and beyond them. As usual, we sent out the best and the brightest crop of graduates into the world, and look forward to hearing about their future accomplishments.

This year the CNISS Advisory Council has gone to great lengths to publicize the Center more effectively and to provide invaluable expertise and counsel in improving the Center’s operational and marketing efforts. To this end, we launched an electronic newsletter in efforts to keep the public updated and informed about our research projects, conferences, and initiatives. We also started a YouTube site where we will expose those unfamiliar with the Center to video excerpts from our various lectures and events.

We are especially excited about the wide array of institutions that have joined our CNISS research community. They have been invaluable in providing the Center either financial or research support (or both in some cases). Our larger research endeavors on both the redefinition of the middle class and the evaluation of alternative energy strategies and technologies have received attention both nationally and internationally, and we have obtained grants towards both of these efforts from Washington University organizations. Our partner institutions at both the University of Minnesota and Tel Aviv University also received grants for our energy-related research efforts and we were fortunate to have been awarded partial support from the University of Minnesota grant. We continue to provide support to faculty and students at Washington University for their individual research efforts.

Looking to the future, in November 2010 we will celebrate Nobel Laureate Douglass C. North’s 90th birthday, hosting a special conference to honor his legacy and work on institutions and development economics. This two-day event will bring together the top social scientists in the United States to share and discuss their research. We are particularly fortunate to host Dr. Elinor Ostrom, co-recipient of the 2009 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences, as the keynote speaker for the event. To continue the legacy of Dr. North we are launching the North Research Fund to extend research grants in Institutional Social Sciences for years to come. To the left is a listing of those who have contributed thus far to this effort.

We take this opportunity to acknowledge the generous support of all our contributors without whom the Center could not exist; our Academic Board and Advisory Council members for their invaluable support, guidance and ideas; and last but certainly not least, Mike Worley, Executive Director of Development for Regional Projects, to whom we are deeply indebted for his tireless work on our behalf.

Sincerely,

Itai Sened
Professor of Political Science and Director of the Center for New Institutional Social Sciences
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Letter from the Director
Educational Programs

Ph.D. Certificate Program
The CNISS Certificate in New Institutional Social Sciences helps students gain a strong understanding of the social sciences. The program hosts ten resident doctoral candidates in the social sciences and related fields including Anthropology, Economics, Engineering, Education, Philosophy, History, Political Science, and Social Work.

Over two years, the fellows take two graduate classes each summer and a research seminar class during each academic year of their tenure with the program.

The seminars provide the fellows with the opportunity to discuss their research interests and gain valuable perspectives on findings from those outside of their discipline. The intensive two week classes provide them with the tools they need to conduct their research and also an opportunity to discuss the teaching of those scholars who have influenced the field. In total, each fellow completes 18 credits of graduate-level work.

Few programs have brought together students from such diverse backgrounds and have sent them on to as successful careers in such diverse settings.

Minor in Institutional Social Analysis: The Hirsch Family Undergraduate Program
The minor in Institutional Social Analysis (ISA) started at the initiative of Gary and Diane Hirsch to encourage undergraduates at Washington University to embark on original research in the social sciences. The Hirsch family’s support has been invaluable in the success of this program. Our Institutional Social Analysis Minor provides students with a unique opportunity to study the new institutional social sciences, as well as an opportunity to conduct independent research with outstanding Washington University faculty. The minor focuses the studies of our students on the behavior of people within institutions, the origins of institutions, and the origins and effects of institutional change.

Students enrolled in the program take courses in a variety of disciplines, structuring their individual curriculum with the advice of mentoring faculty. The courses share a conceptual orientation and commitment to interdisciplinary social sciences. Students are required to take a total of 15 credit hours closely related to their coursework and individualized research agenda. As part of their requirement, students undertake a specialized research project with a faculty advisor. They also participate in a seminar class during the academic year where they present their work and discuss it with our Ph.D. Certificate candidates and selected faculty.

Research
We are very proud of our continued involvement and the support we receive and pass along to our colleagues and students for innovative and multidisciplinary research projects around the globe.
Below we list two of the major research endeavors in which we are involved.

**The Role of the Middle Class in Sustainable Economic Growth**

A multitude of references to the “middle class” exist in professional writing and in daily discussion. A clear definition is needed to describe this prominent segment of society. In an effort to achieve a concrete definition, CNISS formed a research group consisting of Professors Steven Fazzari (Economics), Itai Sened (Political Science), Ryan Moore (Political Science), and Graduate Ph.D. students Gyanesh Lama (School of Social Work) and Ronald Watson (Political Science), and undergraduate Kiho Kong (Chinese and Political Science). This project conducts research clarifying the theoretical foundation and incomplete empirical research on the “middle class.” We have held a series of conferences and meetings on this project during this past year. Most notably, CNISS received a Livable Lives Grant this year to fund this innovative project through The Livable Lives Initiative at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work’s Center for Social Development. We also received small grants from both the Weidenbaum Center on the Economy, Government and Public Policy, and the interdisciplinary Center for Programs on campus to pursue this effort and improve the understanding of the role of the middle class in economic growth. Our group is developing a database to provide answers to questions regarding the development of a middle class and its role in reducing poverty and improving other economic conditions.

**Social, Economic and Political Dimensions of Energy and Environment**

Because modern civilization depends on energy a major policy question is whether this dependency is sustainable. Our present-day energy supply is based mainly on coal, oil, and natural gas. Many technologies are being developed to reduce the role of these fossil fuels as energy sources. Several of these approaches are technologically feasible but have not been implemented because of social, economic, and political factors. A team of professors and students from Washington University has launched a research effort to examine these barriers and work actively toward the implementation of alternative technologies around the globe. Representatives from the fields of engineering, economics, energy and the environment, political science, and earth and planetary sciences are all involved in this collaborative energy effort. We have presented our research results at a variety of events and conferences throughout the year. In April 2010, we presented at the Green Economy conference sponsored by the University of Minnesota, and in August, at the 2010 Academy of Management Meeting in Montreal. We were excited to be a part of the 2010 MAGEEP symposium in

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**The North Research Fund**

This year we announced the inauguration of the North Research Fund. Central to previous work applying economics in a way that is effective in enhancing growth and development in all nations, the mission of the North Research Fund is to enable a paradigmatic shift in how we teach, define, and conduct research in the social sciences. The fund will support pilot and small research grants to junior faculty and students with a goal of capitalizing on Washington University’s remarkable pool of talented students and faculty. Examples of the types of projects this fund will support are found in the Sponsored Research section of this report.

We launch the North Research Fund to provide financial support for basic research on campus by those who associate themselves with creative and innovative work in the social sciences. Washington University has long been associated with the New Institutional Social Sciences. We want to endow this effort with the required financial resources to further enhance this innovative and productive interdisciplinary effort.

The North Research Fund will allow us to ‘go public’ with the influential work and research we have been conducting that continues to impact communities around the globe.
October 2010, which brought together university scholars and experts from around the globe who are working together in the related fields of energy, environment, and sustainability. We are also scheduled to present results at the 4th Israel Strategy Conference to take place in Haifa Israel December 27-29, 2010.

In addition to our research team here at Washington University, we have also been collaborating with a distinguished group of researchers from the Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya in Tel Aviv, Israel, as well as representatives from the University of Minnesota. Our aim in this integrative effort is to help to accelerate the process of building viable and sustainable strategies for the green economy that will eventually pave the way for a transition to greener energy in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

Student and Faculty Research Synopses
We are proud to summarize research efforts conducted by both our students and faculty. Below we provide just a sampling of some of the important research efforts in which CNISS students and faculty are involved.

UNDERGRADS

Guillaume Auffret at May 2010 Graduation Ceremony

**Guillaume Auffret**
France, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Political Science

Guillaume was a transfer student at Washington University, originally from Sciences-Po Paris University, France. He graduated from Washington University majoring in Political Science and is now back at Sciences-Po Paris, pursuing a graduate degree at the Corporate Law program. His research with CNISS explored alternative energy policy in Brittany, specifically focusing on wind energy. He analyzed energy and environmental policies and the structure of the energy industry to help explain the slow expansion of wind power in France. He found that the implementation of French wind policies are problematic due to the structure of the industry and the lack of citizen involvement. He concluded his research with propositions to stimulate wind power development based on other European countries’ experiences, such as reforming the subsidies system, and creating more awareness of the nature of wind power to society.

**Michelle Bernard**
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Political Science

Michelle conducted research on accelerating the use of alternative energy technologies. She aided in the creation of comprehensive global maps of institutional ecosystems that support sustainable renewable energy. She identified the determinants of strong “cleantech” ecosystems. Her efforts earned her an Undergraduate Research Award for her analysis of data concerning renewable energy technologies. In April 2010, Michelle received a grant from the Undergraduate Research Program to travel to Minnesota with Itai Sened to present her research at the Green Economy Conference. Michelle graduated in early May and is now teaching elementary school in Mississippi.

Michael Craig
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow in Engineering

Michael's research focused on institutional designs and policies that affect renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies. By comparing both institutional and renewable energy ecosystems among nations and within the United States, Michael compiled a database of electricity prices and sources, technology prices, and economic and political policies. He won an undergraduate Research Award for explaining discrepancies seen among the global distributions of renewable resources. In August 2010, Michael traveled to Canada with Itai Sened to present his research findings at the annual meeting of the AOM. Michael will graduate Summa Cum Laude in December of 2010.
The work of Michelle and Michael will be published in a special volume of the proceedings of the Green Economy Conference.

**Vidhyarth Hariharan**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Political Science and Economics

Vidhyarth explored the role of intellectual property protection on foreign direct investment (FDI) inflows in developed economies and whether heightened levels of protections encourage greater FDI inflows. He analyzed the extent to which IPR reforms in a country motivated subsequent FDI inflows. Vidhyarth won the CNISS prize for best honors thesis in new institutional social sciences for his senior thesis: “Exploring Causality: What is the Relationship between Intellectual Property Rights and Foreign Direct Investment in Developed Economies?” He accepted a job in Minneapolis, Minnesota with General Mills as a financial consultant.

**Laura Kelly**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Philosophy-Neuroscience-Psychology

Laura’s research with CNISS focused on the effects of language usage on a stalled or down-turned economic period. She won the 2009 Undergraduate Research Award for her work on how the word “recession” affects economic decision making. Laura was invited to participate in the 2009 Mellon Summer School in Logic and Formal Epistemology at Carnegie Mellon University. Laura accepted a position as a junior research assistant at a laboratory at the University of California-Davis, which focuses on cognitive neuroscience and the researching of memory.

**Kiho Kong**  
Korea, Hirsch Family Fellow in Political Science

Kiho’s research addresses the shortcomings of existing definitions of the middle class and examines the institutions and conditions that protect the property rights and well-being of the middle class. His work identifies countries that are particularly successful in establishing strong economies and well functioning institutions by using measurements such as access to education, healthcare, and housing. Focusing on a comparison between Korea and Japan, Kiho identifies institutional requirements and conditions that determine the strength of the middle class. Kiho won an Undergraduate Research Award to conduct a comparative case study between Korea and Japan in connection with their economic structure and income disparity, and was in Seoul in the summer of 2010 to collect this data.

**Renee Kramer**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow in Political Science

Renee was in Israel in the Summer of 2010 conducting a study of the country’s economic programs and what earned it the nick-name of ‘Start Up Nation.’ Her research examines what factors generate Israel’s economic growth and foreign investor interest. Renee was awarded an Undergraduate Research Award for her work on the hi-tech sector in Israel.

**Eddy Lazzarin**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Philosophy-Neuroscience-Psychology

Eddy worked with CNISS on our project to redefine the nature of the middle class. In the Fall of 2010, Eddy will be pursuing his Master’s in Computer Science.

**Congratulations**

CNISS would like to congratulate Ji Yan, a Ph.D. in Economics and one of our CNISS certificate Fellows, who accepted a tenure track position in the Economics Department of Appalachian State University in North Carolina.
Science here at Washington University and studying simulations and modeling of human behavior in economic situations, as well as computer programming, machine learning, and artificial intelligence.

**Sarah Rothman**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow in Political Science  
Sarah focuses her research on energy policy and alternative energy in Brazil. She has explored Brazil’s potential for different forms of alternative energy, both in terms of policy and climate. She reported that Brazil relies heavily on hydroelectric power due to its existing infrastructure. She found that their current energy mix is the most practical based on the policies in place, climactic conditions, and financial abilities.

**Victor Roy**  
USA, Hirsch Family Fellow and 2010 Graduate in Political Science and Business  
Victor graduated in May 2010 with a triple major in Finance, Economics and Mathematics. Victor investigated institutional development in prehistoric Eurasia, from the Late Eneolithic to Early Iron Age (ca. 4500-1000 BCE). He aimed to test specific theories of economic development, exemplified in the works of Douglass North, Elinor Ostrom, Itai Sened, William Riker, and Joel Mokyr, against a backdrop of groundbreaking archaeological research on the prehistoric Eurasian Steppe.

**GRADUATES**

**Carlos Costa**  
Brazil, Political Science  
Carlos’ research is the first systematic attempt to understand strategic resource allocation patterns across multi-member legislative districts. Through examining the marginal votes within multi-member districts in Latin America, Carlos is attempting to forecast allocation of government controlled resources. His results shed light on how institutional frameworks can create incentives for the use of resources for electoral gains. We wish Carlos the best of luck as he is currently on the job market.

**Dolly Daftary**  
India, School of Social Work  
Dolly works on the political economy of development and the impact of changes in development policies on resource-poor communities in an era of economic reforms. Her dissertation research explores how bureaucrats, elected leaders, banks and regional enterprises accomplish the Indian state’s expansion of capital ownership and market-based production in remote communities in western India, and the impact of this strategy on household well-being and economic empowerment. Her recent work explores the impact of democratic decentralization on distributional outcomes of development, and how grassroots democratization affects voter strategies.

**Gyanesh Lama**  
Nepal, School of Social Work  
Gyanesh is a third year Ph.D. student researching geographic data in connection with our project on Redefining the Middle Class. While the socioeconomic gap across race and gender has been declining, the poverty gap across geographic communities is widening. His research focuses on estimating the institutional determinants of poverty at the individual and community level. Gyanesh is working to estimate the probability of poverty, conditional upon the individual characteristics of case study participants and the institutional characteristics of their neighborhoods. In connection with his research he traveled to Nepal in the summer of 2010 to collect data.
Spheres of Influence

CNISS research efforts can be found around the globe. Countries represented include: Argentina, Azerbaijan, Belize, Brazil, China, France, India, Israel, Kenya, Kyrgyzstan, Madagascar, Mexico, Republic of Georgia, and the United Kingdom.

research on the validity of collective efficacy and aid in theory building for prevention strategies for crime and other social malaises.

We would like to thank Mr. Kirk Ogrosky for his commitment to provide support for our work on community-based crime prevention.

Diana Parra-Perez
Colombia, School of Social Work
Diana is studying Social Work and Public Health. Her research interests include the promotion of physical activity and the implementation and evaluation of community-based interventions, particularly among vulnerable populations.

VISITING FACULTY

Eyal Beigman
Eyal Beigman was a CNISS Visiting Scholar until August 2010. During the last year, he has worked with Professor Sened on an ongoing project on the theoretical foundations of the uncovered set. In addition, he worked on several projects related to persuasion and strategic use of language in representative democracies.

Marina Muskhelishvili and Douglass North at North lecture reception

Marina Muskhelishvili
Marina Muskhelishvili was a Fulbright Scholar and was a CNISS Visiting Scholar until August 2010. She is a PhD and senior researcher at the Centre for Social Studies (CSS), Tbilisi, Georgia. Her research addresses problems of institutional transformation in Georgia and other East European countries often referred to as the ‘third wave of new democracies.’
Our Center provides research funding to Washington University students and faculty for projects that make important contributions towards the economic growth and political stability of developing and transition economies. Our Budget Committee reviews proposals for funding biannually. Proposals that are selected for funding are announced in October and March. We thank Professors Carolyn Lesorogol, Nicholas Argyres, Steve Fazzari, and Murray Weidenbaum for their time and contributions in both reviewing and selecting proposals to be supported.

The proposals listed below received funding in the 2009-10 academic year:

**Ballots in Kosovo**

Monitoring Confidence: The Impact of Electoral Monitoring on Citizen’s Behavior

Dawn Brancati, Assistant Professor in Political Science, is conducting post-survey field research to examine the effect of electoral monitors on voter confidence and electoral turnout in Kosovo.

**Improving Household Well-being through Dairy Goat Promotion in Samburu District, Kenya**

Carolyn Lesorogol, Associate Professor at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, is directing a small-scale intervention to incorporate highly productive dairy goats in a community of Samburu pastoralists in Kenya. She gave a presentation about her project to Washington University alumni and Advisory Council members at the home of Gary and Diane Hirsch in May of 2010. She traveled to Kenya to conduct research in the summer of 2010.

**Early Versus Late Cessation in Pregnancy: What is the Deadline for Smoking Mothers to Quit?**

Ji Yan, a CNISS Certificate Program Fellow and Ph.D. in Economics, gave a presentation on the topic of mothers who smoke at the Biennial Conference of the American Society of Health Economics.
Events & Speakers

Over the last five years CNISS has established itself as the heart of much intellectual and research activity. Space does not allow us to do justice to all of our outside speakers, conference and workshop presenters and researchers. Listed below are some of the events and speakers we hosted this year. For more information and a comprehensive list of speakers and events, please visit our website at http://cniss.wustl.edu.

Democratic Structures, Democratic Culture: The Republic of Georgia in Comparative Perspectives — a Conference

Co-sponsored by: Washington University’s Center for Programs, Center for Humanities, American Culture Studies, International and Area Studies, and CNISS

Conference panels explored democratic structures in a Georgian context, expressions of democratic culture in both traditional and popular culture, and democratic dimensions and perspectives in Georgian sub constituencies. Participants included those from Washington University, the Republic of Georgia and Azerbaijan.

Democratic Structures, Democratic Culture: The Republic of Georgia in Comparative Perspectives — a Conference

Co-sponsored by: Washington University’s Center in Political Economy and CNISS

Professors Norman Schofield, Guillermo Rosas, and Margit Tavits organized this conference which focused on themes in democratic theory and theory building. Topics addressed included the...

Institutional and Development Policy Change and Impact on Subsistence Communities in India

CNISS Certificate Program Fellow and Ph.D. Candidate in the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, Dolly Daftary, presented her work exploring the impact of watershed development on household well-being, social relations, and community level inequality. In April 2010 Dolly presented a paper entitled Elected Local Bodies, Institutional Change and the Politics of Democracy in Western India at the South Asia Graduate Student Conference at the University of Chicago. She also had papers accepted in the Journal of Development Studies, the first and oldest journal on this topic, and the prestigious Social Development Issues journal.

Citizen Security Programme logo

Community based Crime Prevention and the Generation of Collective Efficacy: A Multi-Year Study of the Citizen Security Program in Trinidad and Tobago

Donna-Mae Knights, CNISS Certificate Program Fellow and Ph.D. Candidate at the George Warren Brown School of Social Work, is assessing a government community-based response program that aims to reduce crime in four communities in Trinidad and Tobago. CNISS support provides Donna-Mae the opportunity to travel to local communities in Trinidad and Tobago to measure the levels of collective efficacy generated from these programs through the use of advanced statistical software.

This project is the first to be named by Mr. Kirk Ogrosky under the initiative of the Douglass North Research Fund.

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vote maximizing strategies of political parties, the behavior or political parties when bargaining to form a coalition, and democratization.

Barack Obama and the Neoliberal Turn in Black Politics
Lester Spence, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Johns Hopkins University
Lester gave an insightful perspective on the ways in which neoliberalism has shaped black politics. He argues that neoliberalism has influenced the activities of black political officials, black political ideologies, gender relations between black men and women, and the political content of black culture in the U.S.

Is the West Merely A Culture? and “The Partial Constitutional Legal System in Israel”
Amnon Rubinstein, former minister of Education, leading scholar of constitutional law in Israel and founding Dean of the Interdisciplinary Center-Herzliya Law School, Israel
The McDonnell International Scholars Academy and the Whitney R. Harris World Law Institute of Washington University School of Law were co-hosts of this visit. Professor Rubinstein gave two lectures to both the College of Arts and Sciences and the Law School. Rubinstein discussed the basic principles behind fundamental human rights in Israel and how they are applied to human dignity, liberty and freedom of occupation in the country. Rubinstein was directly involved in the writing of the constitutional law in Israel and served as a member of the Israeli Knesset between 1978 and 2002.

Violence and Social Orders: Where Are We Going?
Douglass North, co-recipient of the 1993 Nobel Memorial Prize in Economic Sciences and Spencer T. Olin Professor in Arts & Sciences
Professor North spoke on the integration of the problem of violence into a larger social science and historical framework.

Politics Closer to Home: Decentralization and Women’s Empowerment Worldwide
Meg Rincker, Assistant Professor of Political Science at Purdue University-Calumet.
Dr. Rincker investigates why international organizations and country leaders are pushing more political decisions to the local level and the conditions under which women are poised to take leadership roles in politics closer to home. While pursuing her Ph.D. at Washington University, Meg was a CNISS Ph.D. Fellow.

Institutional Leadership in Renewable Energy Development: Filling the Institutional Void
Alfred Marcus, The Spencer Chair of Strategy and Technological Leadership, at the University of Minnesota Part of our Douglass North Legacy Speaker series, Professor Marcus presented an analysis of the institutional climate for wind energy development in Minnesota, and how an institutional void hindered the development of this resource.

Health Care Reform Legislation and Changing Views of Needs, Rights, and Public Obligation
David Camp, Attorney at Law, Access Disability and Amy Smoucha, Organizer, Missouri Jobs with Justice
The speakers analyzed the new U.S. health care reform legislation. They shared their information on how the new legislation will impact consumers, as well as the benefits of this new legislation, especially for those currently not insured or under-insured.

American Research Universities & the Law
Michael R. Cannon, Executive Vice Chancellor & General Counsel, Washington University in St. Louis
Cannon lectured on the entanglement of United States research universities with the law. He discussed the comprehensive federal regulation of the United States academic research enterprise in the biomedical, physical science and engineering fields. Cannon also covered the legal issues which complicate technology transfer transactions between United States universities and the pharmaceutical, medical device, and engineering industries.
We thank the CNISS Academic Board for their counsel, advice, and suggestions on all academic issues pertaining to the work of the Center. Current members are:

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Our Advisory Council aims to integrate non-academic viewpoints into the activities of CNISS and to help build our CNISS community. We would like to thank all of our Council members for their suggestions, support and truly invaluable advice.

The council met twice this past year. We met in Florida in January 2010 to discuss opportunities for growth as well as methods to solidify and brand CNISS and the new North Research Fund. Discussion pinpointed the characteristics that make the Center and Washington University uniquely positioned to affect a paradigmatic shift the social sciences both in terms of the substance and the methods used in research. We thank the Chair of the Council, Morris C. Brown, for hosting this meeting.

In May of 2010 we met in New York to review the progress on our large, ongoing research programs and discussed budget allocations for the coming year. Lisa Sharkey and Paul Gleicher graciously hosted the annual Council dinner. Gary and Diane Hirsch graciously opened their home for the May 2010 reception and salon with Professor Carolyn Lesorogol. We thank the two couples for their hospitality.

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