

## ***Evidence & Policy*: Winner of the inaugural Carol Weiss Prize announced**

To mark its tenth anniversary in 2015, *Evidence & Policy* launched a new annual prize (1) in memory of Professor Carol Weiss, the journal's first North American Editor and a pioneer in the field.

The inaugural prize has been awarded to William Allen (Centre on Migration, Policy and Society, University of Oxford) for his paper '[Factors that impact how civil society organisations perceive evidence](#)'. The panel felt it provided a novel contribution to the field and made impressive use of different literatures, social science theory and methods. They were also impressed with the way the author handled the inter-disciplinarity of the field, particularly as a relative newcomer.

The panel also wished to acknowledge Amanda Cooper as the runner up: her paper was extremely well written and made a timely contribution to the literature on knowledge brokering.

William Allen will be speaking at a free seminar hosted by *Evidence & Policy* and the Department of Social Policy and Intervention at the University of Oxford on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016 from 4pm until 6pm. It will be chaired by Annette Boaz and followed by a wine reception provided by Policy Press. Tickets are free but registration is necessary. To register visit <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evidence-policy-carol-weiss-prize-seminar-tickets-27679523199>  
[William Allen's paper](#) is free to download in *Evidence & Policy* until 31<sup>st</sup> December 2016.

### Notes

1. The Carol Weiss prize offers an opportunity to recognise and reward the successes of outstanding early career contributors to the journal and comprises books from the publisher Policy Press to the value of £100. The winning paper is made freely available for a period of three months and promoted widely by Policy Press. For the inaugural prize, the panel were looking for an original and promising contribution to the journal and the field by an early career researcher demonstrating rigorous social science methods and theory and were extremely impressed with all the entries received.
2. *Evidence & Policy* is published by Policy Press. A [free online trial](#) is available for libraries.