

How can government make better use of expertise and evidence from the humanities?

14 April 2015, Murray Edwards College and Churchill College, Cambridge

Agenda

10:00 ARRIVAL & REGISTRATION – BUCKINGHAM HOUSE, MURRAY EDWARDS COLLEGE

10:20 WELCOME: Dr Robert Doubleday (CSaP Executive Director)
Dr Natasha McCarthy (Head of Policy, British Academy)

10:30 SESSION 1: Enriching and informing society: what do the humanities have to offer?

CHAIR: Professor Tim Lewens, Professor and Director of Graduate Studies, Department of History and Philosophy of Science, University of Cambridge

- Professor Simon Szreter (Professor of History and Public Policy, Faculty of History, University of Cambridge)
- Professor Paul Cartledge (A.G. Leventis Professor of Greek Culture Emeritus, Faculty of Classics, University of Cambridge)
- Professor Robin Grove-White (Emeritus Professor, Centre for the Study of Environmental Change, University of Lancaster)
- Dr Wendy Pullan (Head of Department, Department of Architecture, University of Cambridge)

This session will explore the potential for humanities research to inform better policy making.

12:00 LUNCH with Poster Session: Introduced by Dr Natasha McCarthy, Head of Policy, British Academy

13:30 SESSION 2: Humanities at the heart of government: what does policy making stand to gain?

CHAIR: Lord Richard Wilson (Cabinet Secretary 1998 – 2002)

- Graham Pendlebury (Director of Local Transport, Department for Transport)
- Professor Catherine Barnard (Professor of European Law, Faculty of Law, University of Cambridge)
- Dr Fabrizio Sestini (Senior Expert, Advisor, Digital Social Innovation, Collective Awareness Platforms for Sustainability and Social Innovation, and Internet Science, European Commission DG Connect)

The study of the humanities can provide context, meaning and narrative to many of the cultural considerations that frame policy making. How can the research in these disciplines deliver the greatest benefit to all citizens?

15:00 TEA

15:30 SESSION 3: Parallel seminars

These three seminars will bring research perspectives to bear on 'wicked problems' defined by CSaP's Policy Fellows.

▪ Seminar 1: The multiple dimensions of climate change. Council Room, Murray Edwards College.

CHAIR: Professor James Wilsdon, Professor of Science and Democracy at SPRU, University of Sussex

- Professor Arthur Petersen (Professor of Science, Technology and Public Policy, Department of Science, Technology, Engineering, and Public Policy, UCL)
 - Dr Paul Warde (Lecturer in Environmental History, Faculty of History, University of Cambridge)
 - Amy Mount (Senior Policy Adviser, Green Alliance)
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▪ Seminar 2: Art and memory: conflict and conflict resolution. Long Room, Murray Edwards College.

CHAIR: Dr Tristram Riley-Smith (External Champion, RCUK's Partnership for Conflict, Crime & Security Research)

- Šejla Kamerić (Artist)
 - Dr Glenn Sujo (Senior Faculty, Royal Drawing School)
 - Kathleen Palmer (Head of Art, Imperial War Museum)
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▪ Seminar 3: Understanding the financial future with lessons from the past. Buckingham Lecture Theatre, Murray Edwards College

CHAIR: Dr David Cleevely (Founding Director, Centre for Science and Policy)

- Dr William Janeway (Managing Director & Senior Advisor of Technology, Media and Telecommunications, Warburg Pincus)
 - Professor Barry Eichengreen (Professor of Economics and Professor of Political Science at the University of California, Berkeley)
 - Dr Rachel King (Head of Budget Project Management and Presentation, HM Treasury)
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17:00 HEAD TO CHURCHILL COLLEGE FOR TEA AND KEYNOTE AND PANEL DISCUSSION

17:30 TEA – THE BUTTERY, CHURCHILL COLLEGE

18:00 KEYNOTE AND PANEL DISCUSSION: The role of evidence and analysis in effective policy making. Wolfson Hall, Churchill College

CHAIR: Dame Athene Donald, Master Churchill College Cambridge

- Lord Peter Hennessy (Atlee Professor of Contemporary British History, Queen Mary, University of London)
- Charles Clarke (Home Secretary 2004 – 2006)
- Sir Richard Mottram (former Chairman, Defence Science & Technology Laboratory)
- Lord Richard Wilson (Cabinet Secretary 1998 – 2002)

This session is part of the Churchill 21st Century Statesmanship Global Leaders Programme, a national initiative to mark the fiftieth anniversary of Sir Winston's death.

19:15 CLOSING REMARKS FOLLOWED BY DRINKS RECEPTION

20:00 CLOSE