

Simplicitas Series: On Pandemics

LSE Sheik Zayed Theatre

16th March 1830-2030

Free Ticket

<http://tinyurl.com/simplicitas>

- Talks on Global & National Governance under Pandemics
- An interactive simulation about the challenges of policy-making during a pandemic

Chair: Professor Erik Berglof (LSE)

Director of the Institute of Global Affairs (IGA). Previously the Chief Economist of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD). He served on the Secretariat of the G20 Eminent Persons Group on Global Financial Governance.

Professor Alex Voorhoeve (LSE)

Professor in the LSE Department of Philosophy, Logic and Scientific Method. He has held visiting positions at Harvard, Princeton. He has served on the WHO Consultative Committee on Equity and Universal Health Coverage.

Dr. Park Young Su (UCL)

Research Fellow in Health Vulnerability and Resilience for the Sonar-Global. He has spent his early career as a medical doctor for prisoners, undocumented migrants and North Korean refugees in South Korea.

Dr. Stephen Roberts (LSE)

Member of the LSE Global Health Initiative. research affiliations with the Human Rights Unit (HRU) of the Commonwealth Secretariat-London.

Expert Panel: UK Constitutional Change after Brexit



Professor Pippa Catterall, School of Humanities, University of Westminster

Hansard Society Scholar, expert in contemporary British history including the development and operation of British Cabinet committees and the role of the Leader of the Opposition in Westminster systems.



Professor Tony Travers, Department of Government, LSE

Professor in Practice, Associate Dean in Public Policy, expert in public finance, urban politics and London government, advisor to a number of UK Parliamentary committees and think tanks, and expert analyst for media.



Dr Andrew Blick, Director, Centre for British Politics and Government, KCL

Expert in contemporary history and British government, previous work for think tanks, the UK Parliament and No.10, advisor to democratic reform groups, the UNDP, European Commission, and UK National Audit Office.

Wednesday 11 March, 18:00 – 19:30, OLD.4.10

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Introduction to Political Science

Week 18: Economic Performance

Classes, Monday 09 March, 2020

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Reading Overview and Contemporary Example

- Bueno de Mesquita, Morrow, Siverson, and Smith unsurprisingly apply selectorate theory to the question of how differing regimes will perform economically, and identify 'a central paradox of politics: Under many political systems [i.e. dictatorships], good policy is bad politics, and bad policy helps leaders stay in office.'
- Przeworski and Limongi outline three proposed reasons to think that democracy is related to economics growth (protection of property, pressures for immediate consumptions, and autonomy of dictators) and then arguments against all three. Also outline issues of causality relating to simultaneity, attrition, and thus selection. The mixed results of reviewed studies lead to the conclusion: 'we still do not know what the facts are.'
- Contemporary example of economic performance: [Argentina](#).