



Institute of Social Psychology Staff Student Seminar

– Sherry Turkle – 2 June 2011, 6.30 - 8.00 pm in Old Theatre

Dear Friend

I am delighted to invite you to a Public Lecture by Sherry Turkle, hosted by the Institute of Social Psychology, on 2 June 2011. The lecture is entitled *Alone Together: Why We Expect More from Technology and Less From Each Other* and will take place in Old Theatre, Old Building, London School of Economics & Political Science, Aldwych, London WC2A 2AE from 6.30 to 8.00 pm.

Facebook. Twitter. Second Life. “Smart” phones. Robot pets. Robot lovers. Thirty years ago we asked what we would use computers for - now the question is what we don’t use them for. In this lecture, MIT technology and society specialist Sherry Turkle issues a wake-up call based on her fifteen year exploration of our lives in the digital realm. She shows how our narcissistic use of technology is fuelling disturbing levels of isolation, leaving us incapable of distinguishing the difference between true human connection and digital communication.

Sherry Turkle is the Abby Rockefeller Mauzé Professor of the Social Studies of Science and Technology at MIT, the founder and director of the MIT Initiative on Technology and Self, and a licensed clinical psychologist. She is the author of *The Second Self* and *Life on the Screen*, which with *Alone Together* forms a trilogy. Professor Turkle lives in Boston, Massachusetts.

This event is free and open to all with no ticket required. Entry is on a first come, first served basis. For more information, email events@lse.ac.uk or call 020 7955 6043.

Kind regards,

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