

Lay Participation in Criminal Proceedings

Monday, 6 April, 2020 Thai Theatre, New Academic Building, LSE

- 10:00 10:20 Arrival and registration
- 10:20 10:30 Welcome and Introduction
- Dr Abenaa Owusu-Bempah (LSE)
- 10:30 11:45 Session One

Dr Olumide Adisa (University of Suffolk): "Examining Geographical Accessibility to Courts as a Key Determinant of Effective Participation"

Jodie Blackstock (JUSTICE): "Understanding Courts: Are lay participants effectively participating?"

Dr Jessica Jacobson and Dr Amy Kirby (ICPR, Birkbeck, University of London): "Concepts and Realities of Participation in Courts and Tribunals"

Chair: Dr Abenaa Owusu-Bempah (LSE)

11:45 – 12:00 Refreshment break

12:00 – 13:15 Session Two

Dr James Stoddart (NHS) and **Natalie Wortley** (Northumbria University): "Effective Participation in Magistrates' Courts"

Rabah Kherbane (2 Bedford Row) – "The Treatment and Experience of 'Criminals' within the Criminal Justice Process: Impact on meaningful participation, and the 'presumption' of innocence"

Phil Bowen (Centre for Justice Innovation): "Respect, Understanding, Helpfulness and Voice in Youth Courts in England and Wales"

Chair: Dr Miranda Bevan (LSE)



13:15 – 14:15 Lunch

14:15 – 15:30 Session Three

Dr Samantha Fairclough (University of Birmingham): "Rethinking Vulnerability in Criminal Trials: A more inclusive approach"

Dr Alan Cusack (University of Limerick): "Beyond Special Measures: Addressing the needs of victims of crime with intellectual disabilities within Ireland's criminal trial"

Joanne Morrison (University of Kent): "Communication Barriers to Meaningful Participation for Adult Witnesses with Intellectual Disabilities"

Chair: Professor Nicola Lacey (LSE)

15:30 – 15:45 Refreshment break

15:45 – 17:00 Session Four

Professor Penny Cooper (ICPR, Birkbeck, University of London): "Intermediaries and Communication Assistance: Drawing international comparisons as the profession grows"

John Taggart (LSE): "Examining the Role of the Intermediary in the Criminal Justice System"

Catherine Hinwood (Ministry of Justice): "Supporting Victims to Engage in the Criminal Justice Process: The Role of Independent Sexual Violence Advisors"

Chair: Dr Insa Koch (LSE)

17:00 Closing remarks and reception