

King's College Risk Research Symposium
**VARIETIES OF RISK RESEARCH: EXPLORING
 AND EXPANDING BOUNDARIES WITHIN
 ACADEMIA AND BEYOND**

Programme

*** 5th June 2009 *** King's College London, Strand, London WC2R 2LS ***

9:15–9:45	Coffee and registration (Geography Social Room, 4th Floor)
9:45–9:55	WELCOME TO THE WORKSHOP (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) Naonori Kodate, Sébastien Nobert, Kristian Krieger (KCL) Purpose of the workshop & risk research at King's College London
10:00–10:30	KEYNOTE SPEECH (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) George Gaskell (LSE) Risk as a research theme
10:35–11:35	SESSION 1-PANEL A (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) <i>Tools and techniques of risk assessment</i> Chris Bennett (KCL) Utilising visual risk communication to alert hospital staff to potential hazards to patient safety in routinely collected data: a visually compelling fluid balance bar chart James Porter (KCL) Lost in Translation: Flood Risk Mapping, Consistency, and Institutionalised Risks Discussant: Swenja Surminski (Association of British Insurers) Chair: Tim Harries (KCL)
10:35–11:35	SESSION 1-PANEL B (PYRAMID ROOM, 4TH FLOOR) <i>Institutions of risk: Risk as organising principle of governance</i> Michael Bauer & Florian Baumann (LMU) The EU as a risk community Adam Burgess (Kent) The making and comparison of 'risk societies': A research agenda Discussant: Henry Rothstein (KCL) Chair: Mark Pelling (KCL)

11:40–12:55	<p>SESSION 2-PANEL A (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) <i>Concepts of risk: Uncertainty, rationality and modernity</i> Anders Munk (Oxford) Non-modern non-certainties? Performed risk in the risky business of insurance Patrick Brown (Kent) Beyond Reason? The limitations of rationality as a tautological and asocial concept Nina Boy (City University/PRIO) Calculating risk and uncertainty Discussant: David Demeritt (KCL) Chair: Martin Lodge (LSE)</p>
11:40–12:55	<p>SESSION 2-PANEL B (PYRAMID ROOM, 4TH FLOOR) <i>Institutions of risk: Processing and negotiating risk information</i> Claudia Downing (Cambridge) Negotiating genetic risk: generating and applying a model of responsibility in the context of growing awareness of risk for a late-onset genetic disorder Lizzie Coles-Kemp (Royal Holloway) The Effect of Organisational Structure and Culture on Information Security Risk Processes Matthew Kearnes & Sarah Davies (Durham) Risk, agency and calculative action Discussant: John Adams (UCL) Chair: Anne Schlag (KCL)</p>
12:55–14:00	<p>Lunch (Geography Social Room, 4th Floor)</p>
14:00–15:15	<p>SESSION 3-PANEL A (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) <i>Concepts of risk: Contestations and applications</i> Christopher Lawless (Durham) Introducing the Problem of Risk in Forensic Science and Criminal Justice Jo Warner (Kent) Risk Assessment in Child Protection as ‘Emotion Work’ Tessa Fox (Maastricht) The role of uncertainty intolerance in European Risk Governance Discussant: Brian Salter (KCL) Chair: Henry Rothstein (KCL)</p>
14:00–15:15	<p>SESSION 3-PANEL B (K3.11, 3RD FLOOR) <i>Institutions of risk: Context, cultures and competition</i> Christian Kuhlicke (UFZ) The Social Production of Ecological Blind-Spots: Ignorance, Vulnerability and the “Flood of the Century” Silvia Bruzzone (Picardie) One risk, multiple stories: sensemaking in fire prevention practices Antoine Debure (INRA) Debates over conservative assumptions among experts: the assessment of risk for flavouring agents in food Discussant: Martin Lodge (LSE) Chair: John Downer (LSE)</p>

15:15–15:45	Coffee break (Geography Social Room, 4th Floor)
15:45–17:45	<p>SESSION 4-PANEL A (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) <i>Communicating and understanding risk</i> Jamie Wardman (Lincoln) Blame it on the ‘choice architecture’: A critical review of contemporary advances in public risk communication thinking, learning and practice Marko Ahteensuu (Turku) Decision Outcome-Based Arguments for and against Citizen Input in Environmental Risk Governance Discussant: Karen Bickerstaff (Durham) Chair: Brooke Rogers (KCL)</p>
15:45–16:45	<p>SESSION 4-PANEL B (K3.11, 3RD FLOOR) <i>Institutions of risk: Public and private risk management</i> Christian Huber (Innsbruck) Risk Management in Private and Public Prisons Kati Kangur (KCL) Europeanisation of risk regulation in Eastern Europe: case of drinking water safety in Estonia and Lithuania Discussant: Carl Macrae (National Patient Safety Agency) Chair: David Demeritt (KCL)</p>
16:50–17:20	<p>KEYNOTE SPEECH (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) Donald Macrae (RRAC) Risk research and its use beyond academia</p>
17:25–17:35	<p>CONCLUDING REMARKS (K2.31, 2ND FLOOR) David Demeritt (KCL)</p>
17:35–	Wine Reception (Geography Social Room, 4th Floor)