

Workshop on Risk, Uncertainty and Catastrophe Scenarios

Monday May 8th Winstanley lecture theatre, Trinity College

18:00 – Public Lecture - Doyne Farmer (Oxford Martin School) Collective awareness:
19:30 A vision of a new economics and how it could reduce risk

Tuesday May 9th The Pitt Building

10:00 – Matthew Rendall (University of Nottingham) Betting on Theories: The
11:00 Nordhaus-Weitzman Debate
Joshua Robert Wells (University of Reading) Response

11:00 – Break
11:15

11:15 – John Halstead (University of Oxford) Climate change and the ethics of tail
12:15 risk
Brian Berkey (University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School) Response

12:15 – 1:15 Elizabeth Baldwin (University of Oxford) Choosing in the Dark: Incomplete
Preferences, and Climate Policy
Philippe Van-Basshuysen (LSE) Response

13:15 – Lunch
14:15

14:15 – Doyne Farmer (Oxford Martin School) How Predictable is Future
15:45 Technology?
Partha Dasgupta (University of Cambridge) Response

15:45 – Break
16:00

16:00 – Tina Sikka (Simon Frazer University) Feminist Epistemology: A
17:00 Reevaluation of Uncertainty, Risk, and Climate Disruption
Daniel Harris (University of Reading) Response

18:00 Conference dinner (La Strada, Trinity Street)

Wednesday May 10th The Pitt Building

09:30 – Iñaki San Pedro (University of the Basque Country) No Need for
10:30 Catastrophism
Kai Spiekermann (LSE) Response

10:30 – Eike Düvel (University of Graz) Duties to Strand Assets and Compensatory
11:30 Claims
Friedemann Bieber (University of Zurich) Response

11:30 – Break
11:45

11:45 – Hilary Greaves (Future of Humanity Institute) Cluelessness
13:15 Timothy Campbell (Institute for Futures Studies) Response

13:15 – Lunch
14:15

14:15 – Mariam Thalos (University of Utah) Precaution-first frameworks for decision
15:15 analysis

Rupert Read (University of East Anglia) Response

15:15 – Break
15:30

15:30 – Kieran Marray (University of Oxford) Dealing with Uncertainty in Ethical
16:30 Calculations of Existential Risk

Martin Glick (University of Göttingen) Response

18:00 – Public Lecture – Hilary Greaves (Future of Humanity Institute)
19:30 Overpopulation: A driver of Climate Change? (Winstanley Lecture Theatre,
Trinity College)

Other attendees

Michael Richards (Rutgers)
Joseph Calsmith (NYU)
John Ash (University of Cambridge)
Simon Beard (University of Cambridge)

Organised as part of the ESRC Climate Ethics and Climate Economics workshop in partnership with the Centre for the Study of Existential Risk.