



SRA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

“Moving on up – social mobility and social research”

Tuesday 15th December 2009, Brunei Gallery, SOAS, University of London

Promoting social mobility has long been high on the political agenda and remains a key policy issue in the current economic climate. Social research has a major role to play in measuring social mobility, evaluating policies to promote social mobility and providing the evidence base to underpin new initiatives. Plenary and workshop sessions will be held on the following subjects:

- **Measuring social mobility** – methodological approaches and challenges
- **Factors affecting social mobility** – including education and training, ethnicity, child poverty, employment and the role of the third sector
- **Social mobility trends** – how social mobility has changed over time and policies/initiatives which have caused it to increase or deteriorate
- **Conceptual issues** - including the relationship between social mobility, equalities and equal opportunities
- **Different perspectives** – the different data sets, research and policy approaches to measuring and addressing social mobility across Britain and Ireland
- **The international perspective** – comparative approaches to measuring social mobility and learning lessons from elsewhere

Key note speakers include:

Professor Danny Dorling, University of Sheffield
http://www.shef.ac.uk/geography/staff/dorling_danny/

Professor David Byrne, Durham University
<http://www.dur.ac.uk/sass/staff/profile/?id=645>

Dr. Christina Iannelli, University of Edinburgh
<http://www.education.ed.ac.uk/staff-profile/cristina-iannelli/index.html>

Workshops include:

Legally Induced Abortion: A Factor and a Challenge in Researching Social Mobility: Patrick Carroll, Pension And Population Research Institute

Save now, save later?: Tying together saving behaviour in adolescence and adulthood: Dr Julie Ashby, Institute of Education, London.

Cross-Cohort Changes in Social Mobility in Britain: Erzsébet Bukodi, Institute of Education, London

Social mobility after retirement – does it exist, can it be measured?: Dr Elizabeth Breeze, University College London

Social mobility patterns through the lifecourse: Leen Vandecasteele, University of Manchester

13th Youth Cohort Study – Methodological approaches: Joel Williams, BMRB

Drivers and Barriers to Educational Success: Haroon Chowdry, Claire Crawford and Alissa Goodman, Institute for Fiscal Studies, London on behalf of DCSF

‘Our house, in the middle of our street’: What can qualitative social research tell us about social housing and social mobility?, GFK NOP

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