

The Sir Patrick Geddes
Commemorative Lecture 2017

Poverty, Places and Equality: A role for place based approaches?

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After a long career in the Non-Governmental Organisation sector, in 1999 Naomi became the first Director of the Sure Start Unit. The Unit was responsible for delivering the government's commitment to free nursery education places for all three and four year olds, the national childcare strategy, and programmes aiming to reduce the gap in outcomes between children living in disadvantaged areas and the wider child population. After Sure Start, Naomi spent 3 years as the Director of the Social Exclusion Task Force working across government to identify and promote policies to address the needs of traditionally excluded groups.



Since retiring from the Civil Service, Naomi has chaired the Camden Equalities Commission, the Milton Keynes Child Poverty Commission, published a book and several articles relevant to child development and child poverty. She is a trustee of four charities: Save the Children, the National Literacy Trust, the Dartington Social Research Unit, and the Trust for London – she is currently being invited on to Standard Life Foundation a charitable fund being set up to fund research into financial exclusion. Naomi is an Honorary Research Fellow at the University of Oxford Department of Education and the Department of Social Policy and Intervention. She was awarded an honorary doctorate from the Open University in 2002 and became a CB in 2005.

Programme

17.45	Arrival and registration
18.00	Welcome and Introduction by Stefano Smith, Convenor of RTPI Scotland
18.15	Lecture by Naomi Eisenstadt, followed by questions
19.20	Vote of Thanks
19.30	Drinks reception
20.15	Departures

Sir Patrick Geddes

This is the 14th Sir Patrick Geddes Commemorative Lecture which is organised to stimulate discussion on planning issues. Sir Patrick Geddes is widely regarded as the founder of modern town planning. His interest in the natural sciences led him to a professorship at Dundee University in botany, after which he developed his interest in sociology and planning. He lived most of his life in Edinburgh during which he established the Edinburgh Social Union, promoted a wide range of sympathetic redevelopment and conservation schemes the length of the Royal Mile and founded a publishing company. He published seminal texts such as "Cities in Evolution", spent time in India as Chair in Sociology at Bombay University, planned the Hebrew University at Jerusalem and finally retired to France where he founded the College des Ecosais in Montpellier. He was knighted in London in the year of his death.



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