



Autism, Ethics and the Good Life
2 April 2012

- 09.00** Registration
- 09.25** Welcome
Pat Walsh, CMLE, King's College London
- 09.30** What do we know about autism? The state of the science
Professor Francesca Happé, Institute of Psychiatry, Kings College London
- 10.00** Autism: the ethical issues
Dr Tim Cadman, Institute of Psychiatry, Kings College London
- 10.25** Discussion chaired by *Professor Geneva Richardson, CMLE, King's College London*
- 10.45** Coffee
- 11.15** Autism, Narrative and Representation
Professor Stuart Murray, Centre for Medical Humanities, University of Leeds
- 11.40** Is autism a disorder? Is autism an identity?
Sandy Starr, Progress Educational Trust
- 12.00** Is increasing functionality always good?
K Lenah Buckle, Autistic Mother, Speaker and Advocate, Chair of the Autscape Organisation
- 12.20** Autism and severe learning difficulties: implications for a good autistic life
Virginia Bovell, ETHOX, University of Oxford
- 12.45** Discussion chaired by *Dr Mary Langan, Open University*
- 13.00** Lunch

- 14.00** Problems, Prospects, Possibilities: Cognitive Disability and the Good Life
Professor Eva Feder Kittay, Distinguished Professor of Philosophy, Stony Brook University, New York
- 14.40** What counts as a good intervention and a good outcome? And for whom?
Dr Liz Pellicano, Centre for Research in Autism and Education, Institute of Education, London
- 15.10** Autistic flourishing: happiness, well-being and the good life as a guide to ethical intervention.
Professor Richard Ashcroft, Queen Mary University College, London
- 15.40** Discussion chaired by *Professor Jonathan Glover, CMLE, Kings College London*
- 16.00** Tea
- 16.20** Who 'owns' autism? Reflections of a sibling.
Saskia Baron, Journalist and documentary film maker
- 16.40** How different is too different? The idea of a good life.
Dr Jackie Leach Scully, Policy Ethics and Life Sciences Research Centre, University of Newcastle
- 17.05** Genetic Counselling and autism – ethical implications and practical issues
Professor Mike Parker, ETHOX. University of Oxford
- 17.30** Panel Discussion chaired by *Professor Stuart Murray, Centre for Medical Humanities, University of Leeds*
- 17.50** End of conference
- 18.00** Drinks Reception