

M.Sc. in Disability Studies

2014-2015 Public Lecture Series

Disability Equality in Europe?: Policy challenges

By Prof. Mark Priestley

Thursday 25th September 4.30pm to 6.00pm
3 College Green, 4th Floor

This lecture draws on evidence from a seven year programme of collaborative European policy research in 34 countries, carried out on behalf of the European Commission. The focus will be on the emergence and development of disability equality as a distinctively European policy field in the context of multi-level governance – between national and global. Evidence-based examples of the inequalities experienced by disabled people in EU Member States highlight some of the key challenges to social policy at the national level and to policy process and research at the European level.



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Discussants:

Eithne Fitzgerald, Head of Policy & Research, National Disability Authority

John Dolan, CEO, Disability Federation of Ireland

Prof. Virpi Timonen, School of Social Work and Social Policy, TCD

Chair:

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All Welcome!

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