



**‘A Right to Die?’ – Socio-legal
perspectives
18th July 2017**

School of Law, Keele University

Programme

10.00 **Registration & Coffee**

10.30 **Welcome from Professor Alison Brammer, Head of Keele Law School**

10:35 **Introduction by Chair, Dr Sue Westwood**

10.40 **Keynote speaker: Professor Penney Lewis**, Dickson Poon School of Law, King’s College London (‘Assisted Dying and Legal Change’)

11.10 Q&A

11.20 – 12.30 **Panel 1: Assisted Dying & Euthanasia - Current Debates. Chair: Dr Anthony Wrigley**

Speaker (1) **Dr Iain Brassington**, University of Manchester (‘Overview of Debates’)

Speaker (2) **Professor Richard Huxtable**, University of Bristol (‘Euthanasia, Ethics and the Law’)

Speaker (3) **Professor Alison Brammer**, Keele University (‘Safeguarding Issues’)

12.20 Q&A

12.30 – 1.15 **Lunch**

1.15 – 2.40 **Panel 2: Assisted Dying & Euthanasia - Views. Chair: Professor Marie-Andre Jacob**

Speaker (1) **Professor Clare Wilkinson**, Bangor University (‘Why do we want the right to die?’)

Speaker (2) **Dr Glenys Caswell**, University of Nottingham (‘Agency, death and dying in the UK’)

Speaker (3) **Davina Hehir**, Director of Legal Strategy and Policy, *Dignity in Dying* (‘Choice, control and access to services at the end of life: Advocating for the right to die’)

2.30 Q&A

2.40 – 3.00 **Tea Break**

3.00 – 4.10 **Panel 3: Assisted Dying & Euthanasia - Subjectivities Chair: Dr Tsachi Keren-Perez**

Speaker (1) **Professor Celia Kitinger**, University of York (‘Court applications for withdrawal of artificial nutrition and hydration from patients in a permanent vegetative state: Family experiences’)

Speaker (2) **Dr Sue Westwood**, Keele University (‘Older lesbians, gay men and the “right to die” debate’)

Speaker (3) **Professor Sue Read & Dr Sotirios Santatzoglou**, Keele University (‘Exploring hospice care from the perspectives of people living with multiple sclerosis: An exploratory case study’)

4.00 Q&A

4.10 – 4.15 **Closing comments (Chair)**

4.15 **Close**

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