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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Senior Research Associate / Academic  
Programme Manager

**Centre for the Study of Existential Risk,  
University of Cambridge** (2019 - )

*I work across many CSER programmes, including leading our work on A Science of Global Risk and Injustice and Global Catastrophic Risk; researching the ethics of human extinction; developing transdisciplinary approaches for Existential Risk Studies; engaging with media and policy-makers; and helping coordinate our communications, fundraising, events, education and visitor programmes.*

Borysiewicz Interdisciplinary Fellow

**University of Cambridge** (2021-23)

*1 of 12 fellows, selected from a university wide competition, for a collaborative interdisciplinary programme of "career enhancement to support outstanding researchers seeking to shape the future for the betterment of society".*

Affiliated Researcher  
(Climate Ethics and Future Generations)

**Institute for Futures Studies (Stockholm)**  
(2018 - )

*I am a regular visitor to the centre, presenting work and engaging with their researchers.*

Advisor

**APPG Future Generations** (2017 - )

*I advised the APPG, on research and politics, since its inception and support its Today for Tomorrow campaign.*

New Generation Thinker  
(Academic broadcaster on TV and Radio)

**AHRC / BBC Radio 3** 2017 - )

*I present and appear on a range of BBC programs as part of a network of emerging academic leaders.*

Research Associate  
(Evaluating Extreme Technological Risk)

**Centre for the Study of Existential Risk,  
University of Cambridge** (2016 - 2019)

*I was one of the first group of postdoctoral researchers to start working at the centre, pioneering our work on both the scientific study and ethical evaluation of existential risk, and contributing to the centre's early growth.*

Visiting Researcher

**Centre for Philosophy of the Natural and Social  
Sciences, London School of Economics** (2018)

*I spent a term engaging with LSE researchers in the philosophy of science and the ethics of risk and uncertainty.*

Research Fellow in Philosophy  
(Population Ethics: Theory and Practice)

**Future of Humanity Institute, University of Oxford**  
(2015 - 2016)

*I worked with Hilary Greaves on foundational research in population ethics and global priorities.*

## EDUCATION

PhD in Philosophy, Logic, and Scientific Method

**London School of Economics** (2011 - 2016)

PGCert in Higher Education (Full award)

**London School of Economics** (2012 - 2014)

MSc in Philosophy and Public Policy  
*Distinction*

**London School of Economics** (2009 - 2011)  
(Part-time)

BA in Philosophy, Politics and Economics  
*1<sup>st</sup> Class honours*

**University of Oxford** (2003 - 2007)

## PUBLICATIONS

### MONOGRAPHS AND SPECIAL ISSUES

Contracted "*Hope Against Existential Risk*". (Polity Books)

In Press *An Anthology of Global Risk*. Ed with Hobson, T. (Open Book Publishing)

2023 *The Era of Global Risk*. Ed with Rees, M., Richards, R., and Rios Rojas, C. (Open Book Publishing)

2021 *Double Debt Disaster: Law, Policy, and Social Justice in the wake of Japan's 2011 Tsunami*. With Weitzdörfer, J. (Iudicium / DIJ Tokyo)

2021 *Population and Ethics: Difficult Issues, Global Challenges*. Ed, with Dasgupta, P. & Jones, N. (Journal of Development Studies)

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS IN EXISTENTIAL RISK STUDIES

- In press *From Evaluation to Action: ethics, epistemology, and extreme technological risk.* With Sundaram, L. and Maas, M. (Managing Extreme Technological Risk. Ed Catherine Rhodes - World Scientific Publishing)
- In press *Ripples on the Great Sea of Life: a brief history of existential risk studies.* With Torres, E. (An Anthology of Global Risk. Ed SJ Beard and Tom Hobson - Open Book Publishing)
- In Press *Existential Change: lessons from climate change for existential risk.* With Kemp, L. (An Anthology of Global Risk. Ed SJ Beard and Tom Hobson - Open Book Publishing)
- In Press *Financing our Final Hour.* With Kemp, L., Bellfield, H., et al. (An Anthology of Global Risk. Ed SJ Beard and Tom Hobson - Open Book Publishing)
- 2023 *We Have to Include Everyone: enabling humanity to reduce existential risk.* With Wells-Jensen, S. (The Era of Global Risk. Ed SJ Beard, M Rees, C Richards, and C Rios Rojas - Open Book Publishing)
- 2023 *A Brief History of Existential Risk and the People Who Worked to Mitigate It.* With Bronson, R. (The Era of Global Risk. Ed SJ Beard, M Rees, C Richards, and C Rios Rojas - Open Book Publishing)
- 2023 *ParEvo: A methodology for the exploration and evaluation of alternative futures.* With Davis, R. Hobson, T. and Mani, L. (Evaluation)
- 2021 *Assessing Climate Change's Contribution to Global Catastrophic Risk.* With Holt, L., Avin, S., et al. (Futures)
- 2020 *Existential Risk Assessment: a reply to Baum.* with Rowe, T. & Fox, J. (Futures)
- 2020 *An Analysis and Evaluation of Methods Currently Used to Quantify Existential Hazards.* With Rowe, T. & Fox, J. (Futures)
- 2019 *Law and Policy Response to Disaster Induced Financial Distress.* With Weitzdörfer, J. (Governance, Risk and Financial Impact of Mega Disasters: lessons from Japan. Ed Akiko Kamesaka & Franz Waldenberger - Springer)
- 2017 *Climate Change and the Worst-Case Scenario* (IPPR Progressive Review)

#### JOURNAL ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS IN MORAL PHILOSOPHY

- In press *Existential Risk, Astronomical Waste, and the Reasonableness of a Pure Time Preference for Wellbeing.* With Kaczmarek, P. (The Monist)
- In press *Evaluating Extreme Technological Risk: a social contract based approach.* With Kaczmarek, P. (Managing Extreme Technological Risk. Ed Catherine Rhodes - World Scientific Publishing)
- 2022 *Do We Owe the Past a Future: a reply to Finnerin-Burns.* With Kaczmarek, P. (Studies in Climate Ethics and Future Generations 5. Ed Tim Campbell and Olle Torpman - IFFS)
- 2022 *On Theory X and What Matters Most.* With Kaczmarek, P. (Ethics and Existence: The Legacy of Derek Parfit. Ed: Jeff McMahan, Tim Campbell, James Goodrich, & Ketan Ramakrishnan - OUP)
- 2021 *Optimum Population and Environmental Constraints: a utilitarian perspective.* With Dasgupta, P. (Studies in Climate Ethics and Future Generations 4. Ed Joe Roussos and Paul Bowman - IFFS)
- 2020 *Human Extinction and Our Obligations to the Past.* With Kaczmarek, P. (Utilitas)
- 2020 *Perfectionism and the Repugnant Conclusion.* (Journal of Value Inquiry)
- 2020 *Book Review - Climate Justice: integrating economics and philosophy.* Ed Ravi Kanbur and Henry Shue. (Economics and Philosophy)
- 2019 *On the Wrongness of Human Extinction.* With Kaczmarek, P. (Argumenta)
- 2019 *What's unfair about unequal brute luck? an intergenerational puzzle.* (Philosophia)
- 2011 *The Dilemma of Discounting: the impossibility of setting a context independent Ramsey discount rate for human wellbeing.* (Rerum Causae)

#### Expert Elicitations

- In press *Scoping Potential Routes to UK Civil Unrest via the Food System: results of a structured expert elicitation.* With Jones, A. Bridle, S. et al. (Sustainability)
- 2021 *Climate Change Risk Assessment 2021.* Quiggin, D. De Meye, K., Hubble-Rose, L., & Froggatt, A. (Chatham House)
- 2021 *What Near-Term Climate Impacts Should Worry Us Most?* Quiggin, D. Townend, R. and Benton, T. (Chatham House)

- 2021 *A solution scan of societal options to reduce transmission and spread of respiratory viruses: SARS-CoV-2 as a case study.* With Sutherland, W., Taylor, N., et al. (Journal of Biosafety and Biosecurity)
- 2019 *Accumulating Evidence using crowdsourcing and machine learning: a living bibliography about existential risk and global catastrophic risk.* With Shackelford, G., Kemp, L., et al. (Futures)
- 2018 *The Malicious Use of Artificial Intelligence: Forecasting, Prevention, and Mitigation.* With Brundage, M., Avin, S., et al. (FHI, CSER, Centre for a New American Security, Electronic Frontier Foundation, OpenAI)

#### REPORTS AND EVIDENCE SUBMISSIONS

- 2023 *Report of a Workshop on Managing the Contribution of Solar Radiation Modification and Climate Change to Global Catastrophic Risk.* With Futerman, G. (CSER)
- 2022 *Submission of Evidence to the White House Office of Science and Technology's Request for Input to a Five-Year Plan for Research on Climate Intervention.* With Futerman, G. & Gibbons, G.
- 2021 *Foresight for unknown, long-term and emerging risks, Approaches and Recommendations: evidence to the House of Lords Select Committee on Risk Assessment and Risk Planning.* With Rios Rojas, C., Rhodes, C., Avin, S., & Kemp, L.
- 2020 *Intrinsic Values of Ecosystems: essay contributed to the Dasgupta Review of the Economics of Biodiversity.*
- 2020 *Public Mental Health and COVID-19: a compassion based approach to recovery and resilience.* With Brietron, K., Gilbert, P., and Huppert, F. (ALDES)
- 2020 *Identifying and Assessing Drivers of Global Catastrophic Risk.* With Torres, E. (Global Challenges Foundation)
- 2017 *Climate Ethics and Climate Economics: Risk, Uncertainty and Catastrophe Scenarios.* With Spiekerman, K. (CSER)
- 2017 *Written Evidence to the House of Lords Select Committee on Artificial Intelligence.* With Avin S., O hÉigeartaigh, S., Kunz, M., & Ware, A.
- 2016 *Personal Identity and Public Policy.* With Campbell, T. (CSER/IFFS)

#### **TEACHING**

*I have an extensive and interdisciplinary teaching record, working with both graduate and undergraduate students in multiple disciplines with consistently high student satisfaction scores. Students I have mentored and supervised have gone on to high impact careers at the Future of Life Institute, Effective Giving, and Longview Media and research positions at Kings College London, the University of Oxford, and The Institute for Defence Analyses among others.*

- 2023 - MSt Dissertation supervisor and marker, Sustainability Leadership, University of Cambridge
- 2023 - Mentor, CHRI Summer Fellowship
- 2022 - Mentor, Magnify Mentoring
- 2022 - Mentor, CER/ERA Summer Fellowship
- 2021 - MPhil Dissertation supervisor, Politics and International Relations, University of Cambridge
- 2021 - Guest Lecturer on "Risk", UKRI Centre for Doctoral Training in the Application of Artificial Intelligence to the study of Environmental Risks, University of Cambridge
- 2019 - BA Dissertation supervision, Philosophy, University of Cambridge
- 2019 - Guest Lecturer "bioethics and biotechnology", MPhil Biotechnology, University of Cambridge
- 2018 - Coach, Effective Thesis Project
- 2018 - 19 MA Dissertation supervisor, Philosophy, University of Groningen
- 2017 - 18 BA Dissertation supervisor, Philosophy, University of New Hampshire
- 2017 - Guest Lecturer "An Introduction to Existential Risk", BA Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, VU Amsterdam - Student Satisfaction 1.53/5
- 2017 - Associate Lecturer, "Political Obligation", BA Philosophy, University of Cambridge - student satisfaction 1.3/5
- 2012 - 15 Teaching Assistant, BA Philosophy, London School of Economics - "Global Justice" student satisfaction 1.0/5; "Reason Knowledge and Values" student satisfaction 1.6/5; and "Philosophy and Public Policy" - student satisfaction 1.9/5

## OUTREACH AND IMPACT

### MEDIA

*I am a versatile media creator who can work to short deadlines and provide thoughtful commentary on topical issues as well as in-depth and long-form perspectives and explainers. I have also advised producers and journalists interested in working on existential risk and have used this to create media opportunities for other CSER researchers.*

#### TV and Radio Appearances:

- 2023 "Dystopias" *Free Thinking, BBC Radio 3* (June 30<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "Existential Risk Roundtable" *Doomer Optimism Podcast* (August 15<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "Exiting the Bunker" *Sideways, BBC Radio 4* (August 18<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "Existential Risk" *Free Thinking, BBC Radio 3* (February 10<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "The Heart of Effective Altruism" *21<sup>st</sup> Talks Podcast* (February 6<sup>th</sup>)
- 2020 "Simon Beard on Parfit, Climate Change and Existential Risk" *Hear This Idea Podcast* (October 1<sup>st</sup>)
- 2020 "The Post Covid World" *The Seventh Generation Podcast* (May 17<sup>th</sup>)
- 2020 "The Cathedral Thinkers" *BBC Radio 4* (March 24 – my contribution was featured on BBC Radio's Pick of the Week)
- 2019 "Climate Change is an Existential Threat" *Future of Life Institute Podcast* (August 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2019 "Will Humans Survive the Next Century" *Analysis, BBC Radio 4* (March 11<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 "Self Knowledge, Global Catastrophe and Simulated Worlds" *Free Thinking, BBC Radio 3* (February 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 "P3 Dystopia: unknown unknowns" *Sverieges Radio*
- 2019 "Becoming Human" *Channel News Asia*
- 2018 "Was I wrong to have kids?" *BBC Radio 3* (November 4<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "Why we're heading for a climate catastrophe" *Newsnight, BBC Two* (October 8<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "What do you do if you are a Manically Depressed Robot?" *The Essay, BBC Radio 3* (March 23<sup>rd</sup> – featured in The Times' Pick of the Day)
- 2017 "The Countdown to Artificial Intelligence" *The Naked Scientists, BBC 5 Live* (October 17<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "Postcard of Mortality and Existential Risk" *Free Thinking, BBC Radio 3* (June 22<sup>nd</sup>)

#### Articles published:

- 2022 "How to Read the Doomsday Clock" *BBC Future* (January 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2020 "(When) are you going to have kids?" *Cambridge University Horizons Magazine* (December 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2019 "The Problem with the Trolley Problem" *Quartz* (September 27<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 "Deep Ethics: the long-term quest to decide right from wrong" *BBC Future* (June 18<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 "Catastrophic failure of Earth's global systems led to the extinction of the dinosaurs – we may yet go the same way" *The Conversation* (March 29<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 "What are the Biggest Threats to Humanity?" *BBC News On-line* (February 15<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "Should We Stop Having Children?" *BBC On-line* (March 9<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "Geoengineering is a very, very bad idea: but here's why we may have to do it anyway" *Huffington Post* (January 25<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "Should We be Worried about GMOs?" *Quillette* (November 27<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "Will AI Help Build a Fairer World? the answer is in our hands" *Huffington Post* (November 21<sup>st</sup>)
- 2017 "Should We Care About the Worst-Case Scenario When it Comes to Climate Change?" *Huffington Post* (September 28<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "When the World Didn't End" *BBC History Magazine* (September 15<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "Why Philosophers Fail to Influence Public Debate – and How They Can Do Better" *Quillette* (August 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2016 "Using birth control to combat Zika virus could affect future generations" *The Conversation* (February 19<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "If abolishing China's one child policy leads to more children, would it be so bad?" *The Conversation* (December 7<sup>th</sup>)

### Articles featuring me and my work:

- 2020 "Climate Change is a Catastrophe. But is it an Existential Threat?" *grist.com* (March 4)
- 2020 "Why Air Travel Makes a Global Pandemic the Biggest Threat to Humankind" *Daily Telegraph* (January 24)
- 2019 "This Guy Studies the 'Global System Death Spiral' That Might End Humanity" *vice.com* (November 14)
- 2019 "Mass Extinction: can we stop it?" *BBC Science Focus* (October 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2017 "Is it Dangerous to Recreate Flawed Human Morality in AI?" *WIRED* (July 13<sup>th</sup>)

### POLICY ENGAGEMENTS

*I have a broad range of policy experience, having worked in policy organizations and stood for political office. I am able to leverage this to create opportunities for impact from my research and others, by informing and persuading policy-makers, including via evidence submissions (listed above) and direct engagement.*

- 2022 Co-lead a training session for the UK Civil Service Reform Champions on Exploring Long Term Resilience, in partnership with the Centre for Long Term Resilience (March 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 2021 Participated in a series of workshops to re-draft the Welfare of Future Generations Bill (March)
- 2021 Presented at a workshop for senior civil servants on "extreme risks", organized by the Centre for Long Term Resilience (February 1<sup>st</sup>)
- 2021 Provided oral evidence to the House of Lords Select Committee on Risk Assessment and Risk Planning. My testimony on futures and foresight tools and the importance of diversity was cited by the committee in their final report and the relevant recommendations resulting from it were accepted by the government. (January 13<sup>th</sup>)
- 2020 Spoke on a COVID-19 panel for the Association of Liberal Democrat Engineers and Scientists and the Young Liberals (May 26<sup>th</sup>)
- 2020 Met with civil servants at the UK Treasury working on the Dasgupta Review of the Economics of Biodiversity (February 12<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 Attended a workshop organized by the Grantham Institute at Imperial College London that brought together climate researchers and activists (November 21<sup>st</sup>)
- 2019 Co-organized a policy workshop on "Responding to Catastrophic Climate Change and Environmental Collapse" with leading UK think tanks IPPR and Demos (May 30<sup>th</sup>)
- 2019 Co-organized a policy seminar on "Local Government Climate Futures" with Carbon Neutral Cambridge, Cambridge and South Cambridgeshire district councils, and the Greater Cambridge Planning Service (May 21<sup>st</sup>)
- 2019 Co-wrote a response to the IPBES 2019 Global Assessment Report on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (May 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 Spoke at a meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Future Generations on "Black Sky Events and Infrastructure Resilience" (July 6<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 Co-organized the inaugural meeting of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Future Generations (November 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2017 Met with a range of civil servants at the Department for Business, Enterprise, and Industrial Strategy to discuss the regulation of emerging technologies (October 16<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 Met with a civil servants at the Department for Digital, Culture, Media, and Sport to discuss technology policy (October 12<sup>th</sup>)

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

#### FUNDING AND AWARDS

- 2023 Applied – Protest in the Climate Emergency, *AHRC* (I was a contributing author and Co-PI for this £300k funding application)
- 2019 Awarded – A Science of Global Risk, *Templeton World Charity Foundation* (I was co-lead author on this successful £1.2m funding application and was in charge of managing the project and our relationship with the funder)
- 2018 Awarded – Population, Health, and the Global Environment, *Grantham Foundation* (I was a contributing author for this successful £500k funding application, am a chief point of contact with the funder, and lead at the review meeting where they agreed renewed funding in 2023)
- 2018 Awarded – Strategic Grant, *Isaac Newton Trust* (I was a contributing author for this successful £910k grant application)

- 2016 Awarded - Cumberland Colloquium, *Cumberland Lodge* (I was selected to run a high-profile public workshop on Population Ethics).  
I also raised over £10k in additional support from external organisations including the *Royal Economic Society*, *British Society for Population Studies*, and *Society for Applied Philosophy*
- 2015 Awarded - Class Teacher Award, *Department of Philosophy, London School of Economics*
- 2011 Awarded - Research Studentship, *AHRC* (full funding for PhD research)
- 2009 Awarded - Research Development Studentship, *AHRC* (full funding for MSc study)
- 2008 Awarded - Small Grant, *Joseph Rowntree Reform Trust* (£5k to research concepts of sustainability in UK politics)
- 2006 Awarded - Exhibitionership, *Merton College, University of Oxford* (college scholarship)

#### EVENTS

- 2023 Co-organizer (with Gideon Futerman and Anders Sandberg): Wytham Abbey workshop on Pluralisms in Existential Risk Studies
- 2023 Co-organizer (with Gideon Futerman): CSER workshop on *Managing the Contribution of Solar Radiation Modification and Climate Change to Global Catastrophic Risk*
- 2022 Lead organizer: *Cambridge Conference on Catastrophic Risk*
- 2020 Co-organizer (with Lara Mani): *Cambridge Conference on Catastrophic Risk*
- 2019 Organizer: CSER workshop on *Evaluating Extreme Technological Risk*
- 2018 Co-organizer (with Catherine Rhodes): *Cambridge Conference on Catastrophic Risk*
- 2017 Co-organizer (with Kai Spiekerman): ESRC workshop on *Climate Ethics and Climate Economics: Risk, Uncertainty and Catastrophe Scenarios*
- 2017 Organizer: CSER workshop on *Solar Geoengineering*
- 2016 Co-organizer (with Tim Campbell): CSER / University of Oxford workshop on *Personal Identity and Public Policy*
- 2016 Organizer: Cumberland Lodge Colloquium on *Population and Ethics*
- 2015 Organizer: MANCEPT workshop on *New Work in Population Ethics*
- 2014 - 15 Paper selector and panel chair: *LSE Graduate Political Theory Conference*

#### JOURNAL ADMINISTRATION AND REVIEW

Editorial Board Member	Futures
Referee in Existential Risk Studies	Governance AI and Society Futures Foresight Journal of Risk Research Global Policy Conservation Biology
Referee in Philosophy	Journal of Moral Philosophy Utilitas Theoria Economics and Philosophy Inquiry Science and Engineering Ethics Philosophers Imprint Philosophical Quarterly Bioethics Ergo

#### PRESENTATIONS AND TALKS

- 2023 "Equality and Diversity in Existential Risk." Wytham Abbey workshop on Pluralisms in Existential Risk Studies (May 14<sup>th</sup>)
- 2023 Panel "The Era of Global Risk: Bool Launch." Cambridge Festival (March 21<sup>st</sup>)
- 2023 "The World You Can Save: a brief introduction to Existential Risk Studies." Oxford University Effective Altruism Society (January 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2023 "8 years and counting: lessons from the recent history of the Centre for the Study of Existential Risk." Future of Humanity Institute (January 20<sup>th</sup>)

- 2022 Panel "Do look up: What can circus artists teach us about risk?" Understanding Risk Forum 2022 (November 29<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "Fireside Chat on Existential Risk." Cambridge University Effective Altruism Society (16<sup>th</sup> November)
- 2022 Panel "Calamitous Futures." Futures in Question Research Network (October 25<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "Disability and Existential Risk." Transgender Philosophy Summer School (July 11<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "How to Think About the End of the World." Open University Philosophy seminar (7<sup>th</sup> June)
- 2022 "Opening address." Brunel University conference Extinction: the social, ecological, political, and cultural implications of extinction from the microbial to the planetary (21<sup>st</sup> March)
- 2022 "Real Catastrophes." Cambridge Conference on Catastrophic Risk (April 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2022 "On Climate Change: rights for future generations." Cambridge Union (24<sup>th</sup> January)
- 2021 Panel "Doom and Doubt: uncertain futures and open questions about existential risk." (1<sup>st</sup> July)
- 2021 Panel "Our Duty to the Past and Our Past Selves." Marc Sanders Foundation (10<sup>th</sup> June)
- 2020 "The Moral Standing of Ecosystems." Institute for Futures Studies workshop on animals and climate change (December 4<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "AI and the Future of Communities." Ditchley Park Festival of Ideas (July 14<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "Fairness Based Arguments for the Pure Time Preference for Wellbeing." Climate Ethics and Climate Economics: Discounting, what have we learned? University of Nottingham (*June 12<sup>th</sup>*)
- 2018 "Optimum Population and Global Inequality." Institute for Futures Studies (May 23<sup>rd</sup>)
- 2018 "Quality of Life and the Repugnant Conclusion." Conference in Memory of Derek Parfit (May 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2018 "Risk, Relevance, and the Aggregation of Competing Claims." LSE Choice Group (May 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2018 "Probability, Evidence, and Existential Risk Claims." Cambridge Conference on Catastrophic Risk (April 16<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "How Do Effective Altruism Organizations Account for Uncertainty?" CRUISSE workshop on decision making under extreme uncertainty, University of London (September 17<sup>th</sup>)
- 2017 "Fairness, Equity, Precaution and Disaster law: the case of the Great East Japan Earthquake." Fairness in Law Making conference, University of Belfast (May 18<sup>th</sup>)
- 2016 "Personal Identity and the Quality of Life." Workshop on Personal Identity and Public Policy, University of Oxford (November 2<sup>nd</sup>)
- 2016 "Fat tails and Fairness." Climate Ethics and Economics conference, LSE (September 15<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "Perfectionism and the Repugnant Conclusion." and "What is bad about bad brute luck? An Intergenerational Puzzle." OZSW Conference, VU Amsterdam (December 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "Perfectionism and the Repugnant Conclusion." Theoretical Population Ethics Conference, University of Oxford (November 21<sup>st</sup>)
- 2015 "The Reductionist Criteria of Personal Identity and the Repugnant Conclusion." Workshop on personal identity and ethics, St Anne's College, University of Oxford (November 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "Is the lifetime well-being of persons all that matters in population axiology?" Workshop on well-being and population ethics, Institute for Future Studies (October 20<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "What is bad about brute bad luck? An Intergenerational Puzzle." Pavia Graduate Political Philosophy Conference, University of Pavia (September 9<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "So, just how complex is Equality Anyway?" *MANCEPT Workshops: New Work in Population Ethics, University of Manchester (September 3<sup>rd</sup>)*
- 2015 "Personal Identity and Population Ethics: Beyond the Non-Identity Problem." Institute for Future Studies (May 18<sup>th</sup>)
- 2015 "Perfectionism and the Repugnant Conclusion." Intercollegiate Graduate Philosophy Conference, Institute of Philosophy (February 27<sup>th</sup>)
- 2014 "What is the source of intransitivity in the mere addition paradox?" The London Moral and Political Philosophy Workshop, University College London (November 7<sup>th</sup>)
- 2012 "Why is the Repugnant Conclusion repugnant?" Brave New World, University of Manchester (June 29<sup>th</sup>)

## CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2023 Grant Writing Intensive (School of Arts and Humanities)
- 2023 Managing Change (PPD)
- 2022 Mental Health First Aid (MHFA England)
- 2022 How to be an Active Bystander at Work (PPD)
- 2021 Inclusive Leadership Programme (PPD)
- 2020 Demonstrating Mutual Respect (PPD)
- 2016 – 17 Becoming a Research Leader (CRASSH)

## **OTHER EMPLOYMENT**

- 2014 - 15 Educational Development Advisor, Insight Education
- 2009 – 12 Private Tutor in Economics and Philosophy, Holland Park Tuition
- 2010 – 11 Research Associate, ResPublica (Think Tank)
- 2008 – 11 Freelance Researcher and Political Consultant, UK House of Lords
- 2009 – 10 Parliament and Policy Officer, Dignity in Dying (Campaigning Organization)
- 2009 – 10 Researcher, Ekklesia (Think Tank)
- 2008 Research Assistant, SCOPE (Charity)
- 2007 - 08 Intern, CentreForum (Think Tank) and Social Market Foundation (Think Tank)

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- 2023 The Hope of Knowing Love: research poems. Contributor (University of Cambridge)
- 2012 *It's not what you see it's how you see it.* (Journal of Inclusive Practice in Higher Education)
- 2010 *End of life care and decision making – a review of party policies.* (Dignity in Dying)
- 2009 *Examining, Evaluating, and Exploring Spiritual Capital.* (Ekklesia)
- 2009 *A law out of step.* (Dignity in Dying)
- 2008 *Dods New Constituency Guide.* Contributor (Dods parliamentary communications)
- 2005 *Guide to an Unknown University.* Contributor (Oxford Muse Foundation)

## **SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY**

- 2015, 2017 Parliamentary Candidate for Dartford (Liberal Democrat)
- 2011 - 14 School Governor, Dunton Green Primary School
- 2010 - Mentor for Insight Education (Oxbridge applicants from minority backgrounds)
- 2009 - 11 Member of Liberal Democrat Federal Policy Working Group on Quality of Life
- 2005 – 06 Community researcher, Oxford Muse Foundation

## **Academic References**

- Professor Partha Dasgupta – Department of Economics, University of Cambridge pd1000@cam.ac.uk
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