

Invitation from

Professor Simon Gaskell, Principal

To the Inaugural Lecture

'Surely we're all post-racial now? Why race may still matter more than we think'

Dr Rob Berkeley
Director, Runnymede Trust

Wednesday 17 March 2010, 4.00pm

Biology Lecture Theatre
G. E. Fogg Building
Queen Mary, University of London
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The election of Barack Obama, success for black and minority ethnic people at many levels of British society, and everyday multicultures, have led to premature declarations of ‘mission accomplished’ when it comes to race inequality. Yet racial inequalities persist and the racist far right are enjoying unprecedented electoral success. Why does racism persist, what new forms is it taking, and how should policy in the UK address continuing inequality related to ethnicity, colour, or nationality?

Rob Berkeley has been Director of the Runnymede Trust, an independent policy-research organisation focusing on ‘race’ and social policy, since January 2009. He was Deputy Director of Runnymede between 2005 and 2009. His doctoral studies focused on exclusions from school. He is Chair of governors at a South London primary school, Chair of Naz Project London (which provides sexual health and HIV prevention and support services to various minority ethnic communities), and a Trustee of Stonewall. He is a Senior Adviser to the British Council, and a member of the Commission on 2020 Public Services. Publications include ‘Right to Divide? Faith Schools and Community Cohesion’ (2008) ‘Identity, Ethnic Diversity and Community Cohesion’ (Sage: London 2007), ‘Britain; challenges for race equality’ (2006) and ‘Connecting British Hindus’ (2006)

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