

## SEMINAR SERIES 1130 HOURS FRIDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2011 OLD SENATE ROOM, KING'S COLLEGE, ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY

We would like to welcome

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## **Designing Environments for Life**

How might we rethink the concept of environment in a way that allows us to situate the experience of engaging with our surroundings within the dynamics of the more encompassing systems of which these engagements are a part? What is the meaning of design in a world that is perpetually under construction by way of the activities of its inhabitants, who are tasked with keeping life going rather than bringing to completion projects specified at the outset? Does the creativity of design lie in the novelty of prefigured solutions or in the capacity of inhabitants to respond with flexibility and precision to ever-changing environmental conditions? These questions were central to a series of workshops sponsored by the Institute for Advanced Studies at the University of Strathclyde, which took place in autumn and winter 2009-10.

In this seminar, Tim Ingold will discuss some of the answers that emerged from the workshop discussions.

Everyone Welcome!!! Should anyone wish to meet with Tim, please contact Lesley Lesley.kirton@abdn.ac.uk