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ECRR Peter Wilson Lecture

at The Royal Society of Edinburgh Monday, 14 February, 6.00pm

Food Security and Sustainability: One can't make an Omelette without Cracking some Eggs

> Professor Tim Lang, Professor of Food Policy, City University, London

Sharp oil price rises have led an oil-dependent food industry to examine possible threats which have started a policy debate on food security that will not go away. Attention is focused on technical innovations such as GM, but societal issues such as restructuring food markets, rapid consumer behaviour change, reshaping cultural tastes and altering price signals should not be ignored. These require state intervention in markets and less consumer choice. The lecture will propose the need for open and democratic debate about food futures. It will warn against technical triumphalism and urge a more balanced integration of societal and supply chain change.

This is a joint lecture with the Edinburgh Consortium for Rural Research (ECRR) and the Society of Biology, Scotland.

Open to all - Registration required

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