



## **The 2023 City Food Policy Symposium**

### **From trade-offs to co-benefits in times of crisis: finding positive food policy solutions to multiple food system challenges**

**27 April 2023**

**Oliver Thompson Lecture Theatre, Northampton Square, City, University of London**

#### **10.30am - 11.00am: Arrival and registration with tea and coffee**

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#### **11.00am: Welcome**

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*Professor Christina Vogel, Deputy Director, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

#### **11.10am - 11.15am: A few words from our sponsors**

*The Master Reverend Keith Powell, the Worshipful Company of Cooks*

#### **11.15am - 11.35am: Keynote address**

*Rob Percival, Head of Policy, The Soil Association*

#### **11.35am - 12.50pm: Plenary session**

#### **Experiences of trade-offs and co-benefits for food policy in times of crisis – national, regional and local perspectives**

*Led by Professor Tim Lang, Professor Emeritus at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

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The plenary is a panel of people with lived experience of policymaking and system research perspectives. The panellists will discuss their work and experiences of systems thinking in times of crisis. This includes the definitions, role and challenges of co-benefits and trade-offs and in policymaking.

- **Sarah Pullen**  
*Birmingham City Council*
- **Dr Kelly Parsons**  
*MRC Epidemiology Unit, University of Cambridge*
- **Dustin Benton**  
*Green Alliance*
- **Tristan Gorgens (by video)**  
*Department of the Premier, Western Cape Province, South Africa*

With words from **Daniel Zeichner MP**, *Shadow Minister for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs*.

### **12.50pm - 1.35pm: LUNCH**

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*All lunch options are vegan. For additional dietary requirements please go to the registration desk.*

### **1.35pm: Welcome Back**

*Professor Leanne Aitken, Associate Dean for Research & Enterprise, School of Health and Psychological Sciences, City, University of London*

### **1.40pm - 2.30pm: Panel discussion**

#### **Equality in Crisis**

*Led Professor Christina Vogel, Deputy Director, Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

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A food crisis is one of the many that the world is currently facing – but the impacts of these crises are unequally felt. Crises can exacerbate and widen inequalities, while at the same time policy solutions and implementation can stall or experience delays. How do we ensure that equality does not become a trade-off, but rather a co-benefit of the solutions and policies we implement?

This will be a chaired discussion of the emerging issues followed by questions from the audience.

- **Hilary Patel**  
*Department for Work and Pensions*
- **Dr Chi-Chi Ekhatior**  
*The Ascension Trust*
- **Sarah Williams**  
*SUSTAIN Alliance*
- **Koen Deconinck (by video)**  
*Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD)*

## 2.30pm - 2.45pm: Networking break

## 2.45pm - 3.30pm: Workshops

Share your knowledge and find systems solutions! The workshop sessions are about asking honest questions in an informal but expert setting. Speakers and participants will use their different backgrounds and experience to find co-benefits and think critically about trade-offs in their respective workshops.

Workshop sessions will be in small groups and last 45 minutes. There is a total of 8 sessions, each of them running twice with a break in between.

Workshops will run in two different formats. Panel sessions are informal panel sessions moderated by the Centre with questions from the audience. These represent a chance to learn as well as participate. Breakout sessions are more traditional workshop sessions, where speakers and audience alike break out into small discussion groups to co-create solutions.

The recommendations stemming from the workshops will, along with the learnings from the rest of the Symposium, be included in a Symposium report.

- **Workshop One – Trade-offs between dairy and meat production and environmental and human health [Panel Session]**

*Moderated by Vivian Maduekeh, PhD candidate at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room C316** [C316 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 50 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Simon Billing**

*Eating Better*

- **Peter Greig**

*Piper's Farm*

- **Workshop Two – Pathways to sustainable land management [Panel Session]**

*Moderated by Dr Christopher Yap, Research Fellow at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room C315** [C315 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 40 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Dr Courtney Scott**

*Food Farming and Countryside Commission*

- **Emma Gray**

*North Essex Farming Cluster*

- **Workshop Three – Pathways to reducing food waste [Panel & Breakout Session]**

*Moderated by Dr Virginia Martin Torrejon, Research Fellow at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room C317** [C317 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 20 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Dr Jack Pickering**  
*University of Sheffield*
- **Jessica Sinclair Taylor**  
*Feedback Global*

- **Workshop Four – Reimagining a fair supply chain [Panel Session]**

*Moderated by Dr Paul Coleman, Honorary Research Fellow at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room: Oliver Thompson Theatre** (front of theatre and reception room)

Max. room capacity: 50 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Sara Castaneda**  
*Rio Nuevo Chocolate*
- **Kath Rosen**  
*The Orchard Project*

- **Workshop Five – Reimagining the role of food education in food policy [Panel & Breakout Session]**

*Moderated by Professor Martin Caraher, Professor Emeritus in Food and Health Policy at Centre for Food Policy at City, University of London*

**Room C300** [C300 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 34 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Tom Walker**  
*Hackney School of Food*
- **Fatma Sabet**  
*University of Exeter and Shillingford Organics Farm School*

- **Workshop Six – Taking a design-led approach to food system challenges [Breakout Session]**

*Moderated by Dr Mark Spires, Senior Research Fellow at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room C306** [C306 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 16 chairs

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Dr Rana Conway**  
*University College London/Obesity Policy Research Unit*
- **Ashley Scarborough**  
*Ashley Scarborough Design*

- **Workshop Seven – Navigating food security in farming transitions [Panel Session]**

*Moderated by Antony So, Communications & Engagement Officer at Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London and Professor David Barling, Professor of Food Policy and Security, University of Hertfordshire*

**Room C303** [C303 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 76 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Daniela Baeza Breinbauer**  
*Project Manager and Researcher LSE Consulting*
- **Adele Jones**  
*The Sustainable Food Trust*

- **Workshop Eight – Placing food sovereignty on the agenda [Panel Session]**

*Moderated by Dr Rebecca Wells, Senior Lecturer at the Centre for Food Policy, City, University of London*

**Room C305** [C305 | City, University of London](#)

Max. room capacity: 30 people

*Facilitated by speakers:*

- **Jeovana Santos Nascimento**  
*Activist*
- **Pat Fitzsimons**  
*Hackney Food Bank*
- **Dee Woods**  
*Landworkers' Alliance*

### **3.30pm – 3.50pm: Coffee Break**

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### **3.50pm - 4.35pm: Workshops**

- **Workshop One - Trade-offs between dairy and meat production and environmental and human health [Breakout Session]**  
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- **Workshop Two – Pathways to sustainable land management [Panel Session]**  
**Room C315** [C315 | City, University of London](#)
- **Workshop Three – Pathways to reducing food waste [Panel & Breakout Session]**  
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**4.40pm – 5.00pm: Closing Remarks**

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*From Dr Lesley Mitchell, Forum for the Future*

**5.00pm – 6.00pm: Networking reception**

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