Breaking the Cycle of Disadvantage
Myths and reality in policy research and evaluation

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The Lounge, UniPub (3rd floor), London Circuit

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The intergenerational transmission of poverty is persistent despite concerted efforts and considerable investment by governments and charitable organisations to break the cycle of disadvantage.

Dr Ivy Papps will talk about the factors that contribute to poverty, including education gaps, and address the questions: How can governments evaluate initiatives to address disadvantage? What do we actually know from international research on poverty reduction policies? Why do we not implement policies with a good track record?

And why do we keep believing the myths?

Dr Ivy Papps is an experienced economist with a history of academic and policy-related work in the social sector.

She has a BSc (Econ) from the London School of Economics and a MA and PhD from the Department of Economics at the University of Chicago, where she was advised by Nobel Laureates Gary Backer and George Stigler.

She has worked extensively in the transition economies of central and eastern Europe as well as in the Middle East, Africa, the USA and the UK. Ivy has been active in economic and social consultancy for over 20 years.

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