

A level reform and Economic Geography: Presenting economic worlds across the school-HE divide

Research Group Affiliation	Economic Geography Research Group
The first of two Panel sessions to review the current state of economic geography teaching in schools, and the detailed practicalities of the Edexcel revisions to the AS/A2 examinations being introduced from 2008. After presentations by Panel members (all senior teachers and Edexcel examiners), there will be an open discussion of their implication for economic geography teaching in higher education, led by Professor Roger Lee (QMUL).	
Session Organisers	Simon Oakes (University College London)
Session Chair	Peter Wood (Edexcel/Bandcrofts school)

SESSION 1: PRESENTING ECONOMIC WORLDS ACROSS THE SCHOOL-HE DIVIDE	
Paper 1	Geography in the school curriculum today
Presenter	Tony Thomas (Chief Executive, field studies council)
Paper 2	Human geography at GCSE and the role of out-of-class learning
Presenter	David Homes (Edexcel/Field studies council)
Paper 3	The new A-level human geography
Presenter	Bob Digby (University College London)
Paper 4	A Level changes and higher education teaching of economic geography
Presenter	Roger Lee (Queen Mary, University of London)

SESSION 2: CONCEPTUALISING GLOBALISATION	
Chair: Roger Lee (Queen Mary, University of London)	
A second Panel session, focusing on the enhanced A Level treatment of a key theme, globalisation, likely to raise the profile of economic geography in schools. The presentations will be followed by an open discussion.	
Paper 1	The changing global world-view at A-level
Presenter	Kim Adams (Peter Symonds College)
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Paper 2	'The new Edexcel globalisation A-level module'
Presenter	Simon Oakes (University College London)
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Paper 3	'Conceptualising globalisation in higher Education teaching'
Presenter	Mick Dunford (University of Sussex)
Discussant response to above presentations	