

Nobel Laureate Lecture on Population and Ageing

To celebrate PolyU's 75th anniversary and its 10th anniversary, CPCE organised a Distinguished Lecture on 20 April 2012 and invited Professor Sir James Alexander Mirrlees, a Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences (1996), as the key speaker.

Titled "Population Concerns: Ageing in Hong Kong", the lecture attracted more than 60 academics, healthcare industry practitioners and PolyU student alumni. Using a utilitarian framework, Professor Sir James Mirrlees presented his ideas on the relationships between production, people, and population growth. He further explored the dilemmas and uncertainties that Hong Kong is facing in terms of immigration and retirement policy.

Professor Peter Yuen, Dean of CPCE, a discussant at the forum, gave an analysis of Hong Kong's readiness to deal with an ageing population. He pointed out that in terms of health care, long-term care, and workforce related policies, Hong Kong is poorly prepared as compared to some of its neighbours.

In the discussion session, the audience exchanged insights on several issues including how to estimate the contributions of immigrants to Hong Kong's economy, health insurance for the elderly, and the retirement age.



Prof. Sir James Alexander Mirrlees delivered a speech on "Population Concerns: Ageing in Hong Kong".
莫理斯爵士以「香港人口與老化」為題發表演說。



(From right) Prof. Philip Chan, PolyU Deputy President and Provost, Prof. Sir James Alexander Mirrlees, Prof. Peter Yuen, Dean of CPCE and Dr Peter Walters, Associate Dean (Quality Assurance)

(右起) 理大常務及學務副校長陳正豪教授、莫理斯爵士、專業及持續教育學院院長阮博文教授、副院長(質素保證)華俊達博士

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諾貝爾獎得主傑出學人講座：人口與老化

為慶祝理大建校75周年及CPCE成立10周年，CPCE於今年4月20日舉辦「傑出學人講座」，特地邀請世界知名的1996年諾貝爾經濟學獎得主莫理斯爵士 (Professor Sir James A. Mirrlees) 擔任主講。

公開講座以「香港人口與老化」為題，吸引了超過60名學者、醫療服務人員及師生校友參與。莫理斯爵士以實利主義理論為框架，闡釋生產、人民及人口增長之間的利益關係。他更剖析香港正面對移民及退休政策所帶來的矛盾和不明朗現象。

專業及持續教育學院院長阮博文教授亦在公開講座中參與討論，深入分析香港是否對人

口老化問題已作好對策。他指出，香港在有關健康護理、長遠保障及勞工等方面的政策，遠比鄰近地區落後，必須急起直追。

講座的討論環節中，講者和與會者就如何衡量新移民對本港經濟發展的貢獻、醫療保險及退休年齡等議題，進行了熱烈討論。