

INFORM Seminar XLVIII
Prophecy in the New Millennium

**Wolfson Theatre, New Academic Building,
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- 9.30 – 10.00: Registration
- 10.00 – 10.10: Welcome – **Professor Eileen Barker** (Professor, LSE; Chair & Honorary Director, Inform)
- 10.10 – 10.20: **Suzanne Newcombe and Sarah Harvey** (Research Officers, Inform) *Introduction*
- 10.20 – 10.45: **Dr Simon Dein** (UCL and University of Durham) *“Prophecy: Social Scientific Perspectives”*
- 10.45 – 11.10: **Sheila Tremlett** (former member of the Worldwide Church of God) *“To a Place of Safety? The Elect in the Great Tribulation”*
- 11.10 – 11.35: **Coffee**
- 11.35 – 12.00: **Dr Hugh Beattie** (The Open University) *“The Mahdi and the End-Times in Islam”*
- 12.00 – 12.25: **Abi Freeman** (mid-lifer) *“Living in the Time of the End”*
- 12.25 – 13.00: **Group Discussions**
- 13.00 – 14.00: **Lunch**
- 14.00 – 14.25: **Andrew Fergus Wilson** (University of Derby) *“From the Mushrooms to the Stars: 2012 and the Apocalyptic Milieu”*
- 14.25 – 14.50: **Kevin Whitesides** (PhD Candidate, University of Edinburgh) *“New Age: (Still) Doing What it Says on the Tin”*
- 14.50 – 15.15: **David G. Robertson** (PhD Candidate, University of Edinburgh) *“(Always) Living in the End Times: The ‘Rolling Prophecy’ of the Conspiracy Milieu”*
- 15.15 – 15.40: **Tea**
- 15.40 – 16.05: **Wendy Grossman** (freelance writer and founder of The Skeptic Magazine) *“Chasing the Horizon: Prophecy in Secular Contexts”*
- 16.05 – 16.30: **Professor Gordon Melton** (Baylor University and founder and Director of the Institute for the Study of American Religion) *“Looking into the Future: Why Prophecies Will Persist”*
- 16.30–17.00: **Panel Discussion**

