

Celebrating 10 years of “Health Economics, Policy and Law”

by Adam Oliver

On 22 October 2015, LSE Health and Social Care and the LSE’s Department of Social Policy hosted a special event to mark the 10th anniversary of the Cambridge journal, *Health Economics, Policy and Law (HEPL)*. Several of HEPL’s editorial board members delivered short presentations at the event, reflecting on issues that they thought posed particular challenges to the development of health care systems over the next decade.

Specifically, *Isabelle Durand-Zaleski* reflects on the challenges posed by French health care reform, *Scott Greer* and *Tom Rice* both consider the future of Obamacare, *Jan-Kees Helderma*n ponders on what ought to be the appropriate limits placed upon what people can expect from health care, *Tamara Hervey* worries about the issues pertaining to migration in health care, *Mark Stabile* reflects upon the proper role of public versus private health care financing, *Karsten Vrangbæk* highlights health policy ideas that are fashionable in the Nordic countries, and *Albert Weale* questions whether health care resources in the developed country context really are scarce.

Once again, these fine scholars provide us all with a wealth of insight to reflect upon. I, for one, would be impoverished without them.

Alongside the event, a series of commentaries were commissioned from HEPL’s International Advisory Board which featured in a *special issue of the journal* published in October. These reflected on an article that had appeared in HEPL since its founding. Reflecting the very broad interests across the Board, the breadth of topics covered in the issue included: Beveridge vs Bismarck systems; cost-effectiveness analysis; end-of-life care; equity in health care; EU health law; genetic testing; globalisation and trade in health care services; governance structures; health technology assessment; human resources; lifestyle interventions; patient choice; performance management; public involvement in health policy; public vs private financing; tobacco lobbying; social capital; the social value of life; and US health care reform.

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