



October Café Scientifique

Monday 6th October at 7pm in the bar of The Showroom

Is Management theory irrelevant outside airport books and managerial conferences?

by Professor Stephen Wood

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Popular Management books often present ideals and concentrate on sanitized cases. Yet they address an important issue: the quest for more flexible organic, high involving organizations. And they have influenced the spread of managerialism, which has added to the scepticism surrounding management thought. Such concern may not be misplaced if management thought lacks a strong theoretical base. Or is it more that managers are skipping key elements or the devil lies in the details of implementation?

Stephen explores the argument that the problem is the growing distance between management thought and social science. In so doing he presents some of the social science that in fact underpinned earlier popular management writing and how this has progressed, concluding that current recipes for bringing the two fields further together are inadequate and pointing to ways forward.

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Sharpen your interest and knowledge of science in an informal and friendly atmosphere. Café Scientifique is an opportunity for all members of the public to meet practising scientists. Take part in a debate/discussion around a drink or plate of food at the Showroom Bar.

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Format: Generally the Café begins at 7.00pm in the restaurant area of the Showroom. We begin with a short presentation of about 20 minutes from a guest speaker, followed by a break to allow people to refresh their glasses and think of questions they may wish to ask. During the break there are also small group discussions before a larger discussion takes place which can get quite lively! For further information go to: <http://www.sciencecafesheffield.org>