

## **Susan Himmelweit**

### **Biography**

Susan Himmelweit is Professor Emeritus in Economics at the Open University. She is a feminist economist whose research is on the economics of gender. She has written on gender budgeting, theoretical and policy aspects of the economics of care and intra-household inequalities. She has recently completed, together with Jérôme de Henau and Cristina Santos, a cross-national joint ESRC-funded project on the impact of gender roles on inequalities within households (see <http://www.open.ac.uk/socialsciences/genix>) and has written, with Hilary Land, a number of papers of the theoretical and policy issues in care, including for the Equal Opportunities commission, the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the trade union Unison.

She is a past President of the International Association for Feminist Economics and was an Associate Editor of the journal *Feminist Economics* and was the founding chair of the UK Women's Budget Group, whose policy advisory group she now coordinates. She has, for many years, contributed to and coordinated its reports on the gender impact of successive budgets and spending reviews (see [http://www.wbg.org.uk/RRB\\_Reports.htm](http://www.wbg.org.uk/RRB_Reports.htm)). She is also a member of two of the Equality and Human Rights Commission's advisory group on "Making Fair Financial Decisions".