

Tackling Poverty and Social Exclusion in Europe through Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education in Adult Learning

A European Conference in Scotland: March 4<sup>th</sup> -5<sup>th</sup>, 2010

4<sup>th</sup> March - Glasgow City Chambers, George Square, Glasgow G2 1DU 5<sup>th</sup> March - Parish Halls Glasgow: 266 George Street Glasgow G1 1

**2010** marks the European Year of Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion, and we are keen to ensure that Scotland plays an active role at UK and EU levels in addressing and raising awareness of these issues at various levels through Education and Democratic Citizenship (EDC) and Human Rights Education (HRE).

## **Conference Programme:**

# Thursday, March 4<sup>th</sup> 2010 Morning Session Presentations/ Speakers

8.30-9.30	Registration / Tea – Coffee
9.30- 9.40	Welcome & Introduction Mr. Rami Ousta, CEO of Black & Ethnic Minorities Infrastructure in Scotland (BEMIS)
9.40 – 10.00	Ms. Nicola Sturgeon, Deputy First Minister and Cabinet Secretary for Health and Wellbeing
10.00-10.20	'Tackling Poverty and Social Exclusion through Education for Democratic Citizenship /Human Rights Education', - Is it possible? Mr. Frank Elbers, Chair of DARE, Director of Programmes at Human Rights Education Associates (HREA). The Netherlands
10.20-10.40	Building Partnerships for Citizenship and Human Rights Education''? Yulia Pererva, Council of Europe, Division on citizenship and Human Rights Education Directorate General IV - Education, Culture and Heritage, Youth & Sport
10.40-11:00	"The role of the European Fundamental Rights Agency in Human Rights Education". Frederick Banson, Educational officer for Human Rights at the European Fundamental Rights Agency. Vienna.
11.00-11.30	Tea Break
11.30-12.00	"Five 'I's of Poverty in Scotland: The Interface between Poverty, Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights".  Dr John McKendrick, School of Law and Social Sciences Glasgow Caledonian University. Scotland
12.00-12.30	"Refugees & Poverty" – Mr. John Wilkes (CEO) Scottish Refugee Council.
12.30- 1.00	The Role of informal Training and Education in Anti-Poverty Advocacy Work: Linking Fundamental Rights and Poverty Eradication".  Mr. Robin Tennant (Training & Field Work Manager) – Poverty Alliance
1.00-2.30	Lunch Break

## 2.30- 4.30 Afternoon Workshops & Discussion Groups

Workshops discussion groups are arranged under THEMES (A, B, C / Three workshops in total) and attendees will be able to select their choice on the day. Please note that under each workshop there are few headings which are assigned to the workshop itself (i.e. Workshop A is entitled Central European Approaches and A1, A2, A3 will represent themes discussed under the overall heading).

The same applies for day two 5<sup>th</sup> of March.

## **<u>A:</u>** Discussion Group 1: Central European Approaches:

#### <u>A1.a</u>

 "Country Report Lithuania: Non-existing EDC/HRE policies and some examples of local initiatives against social exclusion in this field".
 Ms. Girvvdas Duoblys, Director Centre for Civic Initiatives, Lithuania.

### <u>A1.b</u>

 "Education, Health Issues and Social Exclusion: Legal Consulting for Persons with Drug Abuse Problems – A Case Study"
 Ms. Erika Matuzaite, Center for Civic Initiatives, Lithuania

## <u>A2</u>

"The UNESCO study on shared values among young people in Estonia: effects on Civic Education" The UNESCO. Sulev Valdmaa, Jaan Tönisson Institute. Estonia.

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• "Case Study Slovenia: The CoE Compass on Human Rights Education and the Roma Minority." Alenka Elena Begant, Director EIP. Slovenia.

## **B:** Discussion Group 2: Policy Approaches

This section involves two parallel workshops (B1 & B2), each running for an hour. However, attendees will be taking part in both themes.

## *B*1:

"The EU Lisbon Treaty's Approach to Eradicate Poverty & Social Exclusion
 Through Education for Democratic Citizenship/Human Rights Education: Taking
 Stock of Successes and Challenges".
 Ms. Maureen Kilgour, Lecturer at Paisley University & Ms. Maggie Chetty:
 Consultant and Diversity Trainer. Scotland.

#### <u>B2:</u>

 "The Impact of Stakeholders in EDC / HRE on Present and Future EU Policies on Poverty and Social Exclusion: Advocacy Approaches".
 Dr. Andrew Johnson, Director of Grassroots Consultancy. Scotland.

## C: Workshops / Methods/ Trainings

<u>C1</u>

"Without protection on the street – Mask theatre with homeless people"; method training on theatre work with vulnerable people
 Ms. Angelika Heinich, Director of Europahaus Aurich (member of AdB, Association of German Educational Organisations). Berlin

4.30 – 5.00 Tea Break
5.00 - 5.30 Plenary Session: Q & A
Drinks Reception at City Chambers hosted by the Lord Provost of Glasgow.

## Friday March 5<sup>th</sup> 2010

## At the Parish Halls: 266 George Street, Glasgow G1

**9.00–9.30 Registration** 

9.30–10.00 Opening by Mr. David Martin (MEP)

10.00–12.00 Parallel Sessions A and B. Effects of Poverty/Social Exclusion on

**Education for Democratic Citizenship / Human Rights Education** 

EDC / HRE. Including Tea Break

#### Fri A: EU Country Reports Case Studies

(Facilitator: Tanveer Parnez, DARE Network/Black and Ethnic Minorities Infrastructure in Scotland - BEMIS)

#### *Fri A1:*

"Challenging Poverty and Social Exclusion in Housing: Case Study"
 Najimee Parveen, PATH Scotland

#### *Fri A2*:

 "Tackling social exclusion promoting active participation of young people from Southern Italy. VIS Non – Formal School" of Global Education Gabriella Patriziano, Human Rights Office, International Volunteers for Development

#### *Fri A3:*

• "Social Inclusion Efforts of Local Authorities: Vocational Training Courses of the Local Government of Istanbul"
Ihsan Ikizer, Leuven University / VORMEN, Belgium.

#### Fri B: Practice and Research Approaches

(Facilitator: Gediminas Andriukaites, DARE Network/Lithuanian Centre for Human Rights)

#### Fri B1:

• Education for Diversity - Religious Diversity and Anti-discrimination handbook Tsvetoslav Nikolov, Partners Bulgaria Foundation

#### Fri B2:

Young Muslim Leadership Network Project
 Presentation by Naqeeb Ahmed and Toni Breslin, Citizenship Foundation,
 Young Muslim Leadership Network Project. London.

#### Fri B3:

• Developing a voice for the Non Formal Adult Education Sector / Case study of AONTAS Community Education Network. Niamh O'Reilly. Ireland.

12.00 -1.00 Plenary Session & END of the conference Recommendation of conference participants towards the EU policies to combat Poverty and Social Exclusion in the field of lifelong learning

## 1.00- 2.00 Lunch Break

Optional: Please register at the registration desk in advance.

Tour of BBC Studios Tour of Science Centre Site visits of Glasgow