

The Best of Global Learning

Celebrating the real work of development education and awareness raising

DEEEP final conference
Brussels, 28-29 October 2015

1. Introduction

In a context of a global, systemic crisis, in which traditional notions of development and bi-polar conceptions of a “rich North” and a “poor South” don’t apply anymore, development education and awareness raising (DEAR) has to reconsider its role and contribution in shaping the reality of the global transformation we are experiencing. DEAR practice that makes a positive contribution to this systemic transformation not only goes beyond creating support for development policies and programs, but also tries to address the root causes of poverty, inequalities and limitations to citizens’ engagement and participation.

The DEEEP4 project, set up by the DARE Forum (the DEAR working group of the European NGDO confederation CONCORD) to support the DEAR sector in addressing this systemic crises and transformation, will finish on 31 December 2015. We invite the European DEAR community and global partners to explore good practices of transformational DEAR, that embraces the systemic challenge of learning and campaigning, in order to empower citizens to contribute to the transformation of our societies towards a more just and sustainable world. Through an appreciative enquiry methodology, a European conference with up to 100 participants is going to surface the transformational DEAR practice that already exist, create a learning space around these practices and help to increase the outreach and impact of these practices.

2. Objectives of the conference

- a. To create a collective learning space for harvesting the best of Development Education and Awareness Raising (DEAR), based on practitioners experiences
- b. To celebrate the European DEAR network and to reinforce a sense of community around education and awareness raising for global justice and transformational change

3. Target group

- a. The European DEAR community: practitioners (in particular current and former DARE Forum members), academics, policy makers
- b. DEEEP and DARE Forum partners and stakeholders from Europe and beyond

Up to 100 participants. Registration open until all places are taken. Confirmation of registration after reception of a self-selected participation fee.

4. Content and methodology

The conference will be based on Appreciative Inquiry methodology, hosted by experienced facilitator Marjeta Novak, in order to bring out the strengths in the sector and to give them recognition. This involves a highly participatory set-up without (or very little) plenary input, including working in pairs



and small groups, mutual interviews etc. in order to harvest of the peak experiences to bring together a good overview of the 'best of global learning'. This should contribute to creating a strong sense of community and strength.

5. Registration

The registration will be done via [this form](#).

Deadline: October 14th.

Hundred seats are available and the registration will work on a first-in-first-served principle.

Please note that you have to process the payment of participant fees in order to validate your registration. Fees are self-selected, in the range from 30 EUR to 150 EUR.

Please proceed with your conference fee payment to the following bank account:

- Name and address of the bank: Danskebank Helsinki, Hiililaiturinkuja 2, 00075 Helsinki
- IBAN: FI61 8146 9710 0388 02
- BIC: DABAFIHH
- Name of the account holder: Kehys ry

If you are exempted from fees (guests, organisers, staff etc.) please enter the code you have received in the "other" field.

6. Venues

All venues are in Brussels downtown.

The Conference Dinner (28 October from 19:30):

[Le Cercle des Voyageurs](#), Rue des Grands Carmes, 18, 1000 Bruxelles

"The Best of Global Learning" conference (29 October 8:30 – 18:00):

[De Markten](#), Rue du Vieux Marché aux Grains 5, 1000 Bruxelles

DEEEP fait la Fête! (29 October, from 19:00)

[Madame Moustache](#), 5 – 7 Quai au bois à brûler, 1000 Bruxelles

7. Programme

Wednesday 28 October

Conference Dinner

[Le Cercle des Voyageurs](#), Rue des Grands Carmes, 18, 1000 Bruxelles

TIME	ITEM	OBJECTIVE
19:30	Conference registration at dinner venue	
20.00	Conference dinner	Create welcoming atmosphere and launch informal discussion stimulated by challenging input Dinner speech by Nomvula Dlamini (CDRA South Africa, Barefoot Guide Connection)



Thursday 29 October

Conference "The Best of Global Learning"

[De Markten](#), Rue du Vieux Marché aux Grains 5, 1000 Bruxelles

TIME	ITEM	OBJECTIVE
8:30	Arrival and registration	
9:00	Welcome and agenda	Welcome, agenda & objectives for the day
9:15	Appreciative Inquiry: DISCOVERY	Exploring the best of the past: key factors that foster transformational change in global justice education and campaigns
11:00	COFFEE BREAK	Meeting place for sharing
11:30	Appreciative Inquiry: DREAM	What is the world calling for? Creating provocative propositions for holistic transformational change
13:00	LUNCH	Meeting place for sharing
14:00	Appreciative Inquiry: DESIGN	Exploring innovative ways to co-create the desired future
15:30	COFFEE BREAK	Meeting place for sharing
16:00	Appreciative Inquiry: DEPLOY	Reflection on the conditions, processes and practices that would make the desired future possible
17:15	Personal Learning Trajectory	How can I be the change I want to see – what am I inspired to do in my own context as a result of this day?
17:30	Closing	Wrapping up: highlights of our collective learning
18:00	End	

Thursday 29 October evening (from 19:00)

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