



7th GET-In International Conference
**Boosting Achievement
Claiming the Benefits of Diversity**
Leicester – Nottingham, UK
2nd – 6th April 2014



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About Get-in Network

The ‘Get-In’ Network, an EU Comenius Network under the Lifelong Learning Programme started in 2004 bringing together schools serving diverse communities across Europe to form curriculum partnerships, arrange international school links and develop innovative practice to celebrate the rich diversity and make best use of the benefits of migration, bilingualism, integration, inclusion and cohesion. Get-in is an acronym for ‘Gender Ethnicity and Integration through International school projects’. We focus on all forms of equality, diversity and inclusion which are now essential to educational achievement across Europe.

Since January 2013, the Get-in network has been coordinated by the School Development Support Agency, Leicester, UK, with support from regional coordinators based in various European countries.

Conference themes

- Diversity, migration, inclusion, integration and cohesion in our classrooms
- Intercultural and interfaith learning, prejudice reduction, research and practice
- Bilingualism, multilingualism, vulnerable groups, closing attainment gaps
- Local community engagement, pupil leadership, active citizenship, student democracy
- International school partnerships to expand children’s learning and share innovative practice
- International staff development, uses of new technologies, sustaining learning networks

Conference Objectives

- Presentation of new perspectives and current expertise on education of migrant communities
- International exchange of leading practice, research and policy
- Market-place to facilitate partner finding for school partnerships and projects
- Guidance on developing international projects and applying for EU funding
- Professional development for educators and policy makers
- Publications of research papers and proceedings
- An online learning space for professional dialogue and sustained networking

Target Groups

Get-In conferences offer a variety of thematic strands which will be of interest to:

- Education professionals in schools, colleges, universities and teacher training
- Education leaders, administrators, policy makers, researchers, consultants and evaluators
- Community supporters of education: school board members, governors, politicians
- Parents interested in supporting local education
- Education-related agencies and non-governmental organisations, charities
- Representatives of student bodies and professional organisations

Methodologies

A mixed learning environment including market-place displays, open space discussion, expert input, academic papers, innovative practice workshops, opportunities to visit schools and other academic institutions, surgeries to guide funding applications.

The host cities of Leicester and Nottingham are long-established multicultural cities. They offer a wealth of cultural and intercultural opportunities. Activities will be provided to allow participants to gain an understanding of the rich cultural diversity which provides the context for innovative educational practice for which these two cities are internationally renowned.





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Language

The official language of the conference will be English.

Conference Fee and Funding

All EU countries except UK: €1,150 per person. Includes conference fee, hotel accommodation (based on two people sharing, single rooms available at an additional cost), all meals, local transportation and cultural entertainment.

UK Delegates: £80 +VAT. Per person per day (including meals and refreshments).

Funding: The conference is an approved Comenius-Grundtvig activity, reference number **UK-2014-1973-002** and delegates from all EU countries except UK can apply to their national agencies for the funding to cover costs. UK delegates are not eligible because Comenius does not fund participants from the host country. Please visit http://ec.europa.eu/education/lifelong-learning-programme/national_en.htm to find the name and contact details of your National Agency.

National Agency Application Deadlines:

1st Funding application deadline – 30th April 2013

2nd Funding application deadline – 17th September 2013


Register your interest

To find out more and to keep in touch: www.facebook.com/getinconference

For further information or to register your interest please contact:

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If you would like to present your school based project, action research or relevant paper or lead a workshop then please send a brief introduction identifying which theme(s) it relates to along with your CV to khalid.mahmood@sdsa.net by 31st December 2013.





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