



Human Rights Education & Active Citizenship

27th October 2011, 9:30 – 16:30

Glasgow City Chambers, George Square, Glasgow, G2 1DU

BEMIS, in Partnership with Amnesty International, International Development Education Association of Scotland (IDEAS), Education Scotland, and supported by other major partners are facilitating a conference to promote Human Rights Education (HRE) and Active Citizenship in Scotland. The conference brings specialist experience and expertise relevant to the core of HRE and Active Citizenship with excellent speakers presenting a series of alternative perspectives on an intercultural and ethical framework for active citizenship.

Rationale of Conference

Human Rights Education as a stimulator for inclusive Active Citizenship is, undoubtedly, a crucial tool to progressing equality and social justice at various levels. If we are serious about reducing inequality, expanding social inclusion, fighting discrimination, and challenging injustice, we need human rights values to be instilled in the minds and cultures of people. Education plays a crucial role in this, and it should not be underestimated; it represents a milestone toward a common vision of human dignity. While education is in itself a human right, Human Rights Education is about “the provision and development of awareness about fundamental rights, freedoms and responsibilities”.

To date, the latest international instrument for HRE derives from the UN Human Rights Council with a resolution calling for the ‘Promotion of Human Rights Education and Learning’, which the UK is a signatory to.

Who is the conference for?

The conference is **free** and it is targeted at:

- Voluntary Sector
- Teachers and educators
- Local Authorities
- Decision makers
- Politicians
- Civic Society
- Public bodies & interested stakeholders
- Equality & Human Rights groups

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Registration

Please register your interest ASAP as places are limited and there is a high demand for this conference. To register your interest, please email conference@bemis.org.uk with the details requested below, phone Mrs. Tanveer Parnez, BEMIS Director of National Development, on 0141 548 8047, or send the slip below to: BEMIS, Centrum Building, 38 Queen Street, Glasgow, G1 3DX

I would like to declare my interest in attending the following conference:

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Workshops

Please indicate which workshops you would like to attend with a **1** for your first choice and a **2** for your second choice (in case your first choice is over-subscribed) for each session. For more information about these workshops, please see the accompanying programme. If you do not have a copy of the programme, please contact us using the details above.

Morning Session (enter **1** for first choice, **2** for second choice)

- Workshop 1: **Human Rights Education and Civil Society**
- Workshop 2: **Human Rights Education in the Classroom**
- Workshop 3: **Global Citizenship and Human Rights Education - Learner voice through Rights Respecting Schools Accreditation (RRSA)**
- Workshop 4: **The Rights of Children and Young People**

Afternoon Session (enter **1** for first choice, **2** for second choice)

- Workshop 1: **Bringing Human Rights to Life with Curriculum for Excellence**
- Workshop 2: **Need For Human Rights Education Throughout Society**
- Workshop 3: **Learning Through Film: Human Rights in Scotland**
- Workshop 4: **A human rights based approach: from principles to practice**

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