UNITED Conference Program (draft)

'UNITED WE CAN DO IT! Civil Society Against Right Wing Extremism'
2 - 7 June 2009 in Sheffield, United Kingdom

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09:30-11:00 WELCOME
- The UNITED Network
- The Civil Society Against Right Wing Extremism project
- Minorities Rights Group International
- Show Racism The Red Card
- Programme / Team / Technologies
Short personal introductions of participants

11:15-12:30 THE DANGER OF WORDS
Definitions and concepts most used in antiracist and antidiscrimination work
- Discussion groups -

Lunch

Afternoon 14:30-18:30

With support of:
- European Youth Foundation of the Council of Europe
- Grundtvig Program of the European Commission

Arrival of participants until ca 17:30

16:00-19:00 GET DOCUMENTED!
- Registration -

16:15-18:00 THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS
- Introduction of key issues -
  A. Vote for HOPE! Combating the Political Right
  B. Get it Moving: Mobilising Youth for Social Actions
  C. Build it Up! Empowering Minority Communities
  D. Breaking News! No Platform for Hate in the Media
  E. The Unwanted: Normalisation of Anti-refugees Prejudices
  F. Beat the System! Strategies to Combat Institutional Racism

14:30-16:00 KEY ISSUES AND RACISM IN THE UK
- Racism in the UK
  Mark Lattimer - Minority Rights Group International
  Howard Holmes - Football Unites - Racism Divides
  Desbon Bursthi Rubamba - Football Unites - Racism Divides
- Presentations and discussion -

14:30-16:15 ROLE OF SUBCULTURES
- Racism in Sport
  Walter Marszałek - Never Again
- Campaign Against Homophobia
  Claire Anderson - IGLYO
- Presentations and discussion -

14:30-17:30 FREE AFTERNOON
- Optional:
  - Visit to FURD office in Sheffield
  - Picnic at Chatsworth House
  - Guided city tour in Sheffield

14:30-16:15 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROPAGANDA & CONFLICT
- Liz Fekete - Institute of Race Relations
  • The Civil Society Against Right Wing Extremism project
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- Sharing practices -

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18:30-19:00 THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS
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Dinner

20:00-23:00 Dinner in Sheffield

Saturday 6 June

14:30-16:15 RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN PROPAGANDA & CONFLICT
- Liz Fekete - Institute of Race Relations
  • Mustafa Abitoglu - Turkish Cypriot Human Rights Foundation
  • Karen Olanjanjan - Helsinki Initiative-92
- Panel discussion -

16:30-17:00 HOPE NOT HATE
- Campaign Against the BNP
  Graeme Atkinson - Searchlight
- Plenary session -

17:00 - 17:30 OPEN FORUM
- With contributions of participants -

17:30 - 18:30 Conference Evaluation
OFFICIAL CLOSING

This conference is part of the partnership project 'Civil Society Against Right-Wing Extremism'