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Increasing Adult Education in European Universities: Perspectives on Policy and Practice in the New Europe

**11th Scottish Forum on Lifelong Learning/ ALPINE Project
Dissemination European Conference
3-6 December 2003, Stirling Management Centre, Scotland**

Background

The Centre for Research in Lifelong Learning (CRL), the Institute of Lifelong Learning, Queen's University Belfast and the University of Stirling's Division of Academic Innovation and Continuing Education (DAICE) are pleased to announce the 11th Scottish Forum on Lifelong Learning and ALPINE Project Dissemination European Conference on the topic 'Increasing Adult Education in European Universities: Perspectives on Policy and Practice in the New Europe'. Please note that all presentations will be conducted in English.

Scottish Forum on Lifelong Learning

CRL is a joint initiative between Glasgow Caledonian University and the Institute of Education, University of Stirling. The Scottish Forum on Lifelong Learning is designed to provide a context in which members of the research, policy and provider community involved with lifelong learning can meet together to explore key issues.

What is ALPINE?

ALPINE is a European Union Socrates (Grundtvig) funded project which has been examining existing provisions for adults in European universities, and is seeking to highlight ways in which these provisions might be improved, and participation widened to include new groups of adult learners.

A total of 34 partners from 20 countries, including 10 partners from Central and Eastern Europe, have researched the nature and extent of university adult education within their own countries, achieving together an extensive European survey, to be published in the course of 2004.

The partners have also worked together since May 2001, to produce a manual of good practice that will provide case studies across Europe. The manual will be available electronically, and will illustrate how some universities have found inclusive and innovative solutions to increase participation from adults.

For further information on the project: visit the website <http://www.qub.ac.uk/alpine/>

Aims

The conference aims to offer an interactive platform to explore the findings of the project, especially through workshops, which will reflect the project's thematic groups: curriculum and adults; retaining non-traditional adult learners; the role of academic learning support; community outreach and ICT; the role of universities in reaching

socially excluded groups; teaching, learning and adults; languages and adult education. Keynote speakers and workshop leaders will include researchers and practitioners from the field of Lifelong Learning across Europe.

Provisional Programme

Wednesday 3 December 2003

2000 BUFFET AND DRINKS RECEPTION: Management Centre, University of Stirling

Thursday 4 December 2003

0930 REGISTRATION AND COFFEE
1000 Welcome Address: Professor Sandra Marshall, Deputy Principal, University of Stirling
1005 Welcome Address: Professor John Gardner, Dean, Legal, Social and Educational Sciences on behalf of Queen's University Belfast.
1015 'Lifelong Learning, Adults and Universities in the New Europe'
Opening Address: Professor John Field, University of Stirling
1050 'The ALPINE Project and Adults in Universities' Dr Rob Mark, Queen's University Belfast
1100 COFFEE BREAK
1130 'An Ageing Europe and the Universities' Role in Developing Older Adult Learning' Mrs Lesley Hart MBE, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow.
Questions
1215 'Tools for Managers of Lifelong Learning: The Manual of Good Practice' Dr Aune Valk, University of Tartu, Estonia
1230 'Issues in Involving Adults in Universities in Europe' Professor Ted Thomas, University of Bristol
1245 'European Programmes: the Changing Picture', Mr Dugald Craig, Head of Education & Training Programmes Department, Socrates, Leonardo & Youth Technical Assistance Office, Brussels
Discussion
1300 LUNCH
1415 Group Work 1: Group A - C
1530 COFFEE BREAK
16-1730 Group Work 2: Group D - F
1930 CONFERENCE DINNER AND CEILIDH (with Blackford Ceilidh Band):
Management Centre, University of Stirling - Formal dress (Guest Speaker)

Friday 5 December 2003

0930 'Perspectives on Policy and Practice in Access in Sweden, Hungary and the UK' Dr Ebba Ossiannilsson, Lund University, Sweden, Dr Balázs Németh, University of Pécs, Hungary, Dr Anikó Kálmán, University of Debrecen, Hungary and Professor Mike Osborne, CRL, University of Stirling,
Presentations and Discussion
1030 COFFEE BREAK
1100 Group Work 3: Group A, C, & E
1230 LUNCH
1330 Group Work 4: Group B, D & F
1430 Plenary
1530 AFTERNOON TEA AND CLOSE

Group Work Leaders

Group A: The Curriculum and Adults: Dr Balázs Németh & Ms Mary Claire Halvorson
Group B: 'Retaining Non- Traditional Adult Learners: The Role of Academic Learning Support,' Leaders Ms Judy Woolfe and Suzanne Hemerling
Group C: 'Community Outreach and ICT' Dr Aune Valk & Dr Jyri Manninen

Group D: 'Action on Participation' Ms Mireille Pouget & Ms Harrinder Lawley
Group E: 'Teaching, Learning and Adults' Dr Aniko Kalman & Professor Ján Porvazník
Group F: 'Languages and Adult Learning' Professor Christophorus Charalambakis & Professor Margrit Wetter

Booking your Place

To book a place at this event please complete the enclosed booking form.

Stirling Management Centre

This event is being held in Stirling Management Centre which is located on the campus of the University of Stirling. Bed and breakfast accommodation will be in the Stirling Management Centre. All rooms are ensuite. Please check their web-site for more information - www.stir.ac.uk/theuni/mancen.

Travel Information

Stirling is easily accessible by air via Glasgow or Edinburgh Airports. Stirling Town Centre is located 50 minutes from Edinburgh by train and 40 minutes from Glasgow by train. The University campus is two miles from Stirling Town Centre.

Further Information and Contact Details

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact

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- Booking Options** (15% discount for full-time students */ staff of Voluntary Organisations)
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- ☐ Non-Residential Package (Attendance on Thurs and Fri, including lunches and conference pack) - £150
- ☐ Day Rates (including lunch and conference pack) - £90 per day
Thursday 4th Dec ☐ Friday 5th Dec ☐
- ☐ Conference Dinner and Ceilidh on Thursday - £25. Number of people: _____

Total Booking Options: GBP £

Additional Accommodation

Bed and Breakfast – £60 Single £40 per person Sharing

☐ Friday 5th Dec ☐ Sat 6th Dec ☐ Sun 7th Dec Other: _____

Total Additional Accommodation: GBP £

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