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invites you to contribute to its conference:

***Education for Democratic Citizenship:
multiculturalism and national identity***

Friday 13 July 2007 at Birkbeck, University of London,
Malet St, London WC1E 7HX

This conference is the first to be held under the auspices of the *International Centre for Education for Democratic Citizenship*, a joint centre of Birkbeck College and the Institute of Education, both of the University of London. It will bring together national and international researchers across interdisciplinary boundaries, policy makers and education professionals. The keynote speakers will be:

- **Sir Keith Ajegbo**, Lead author, *The Curriculum Review on Diversity and Citizenship*
- **Professor Sir Bernard Crick**, Emeritus Professor, Birkbeck, University of London;
- **Professor Audrey Osler**, University of Leeds;
- **Professor Tariq Ramadan**, Research Fellow, St Antony's College, Oxford;

A warm welcome is extended to all those interested in debating the role of education in the context of calls for both an increased focus on national identity and social cohesion and examining diversity in the context of democracy.

2007 sees the publication of two highly relevant reports commissioned by the British government. The Curriculum Review on Diversity and Citizenship (Ajegbo Report) found that 'issues of identity and diversity are more often than not neglected in citizenship education'. It calls for critical thinking about ethnicity, religion and 'race' and explicit

links to political issues. The report of the Commission on Integration and Cohesion (CIC), chaired by Darra Singh, attempts to develop a new model of integration that is not just an issue for minority ethnic communities. Education is central to a vision that creates space for difference but also puts an emphasis on the similarities that bind us together.

The conference welcomes contributions to this debate. These can be in the form of academic papers based on research or scholarship; case studies of practice in schools, communities and formal and informal education settings; reports of projects and initiatives at local, regional, national, international or European levels.

Contributions are welcome from academics and researchers from education, sociology, politics and other relevant disciplines, as well as teachers, political or community activists, those working for NGOs, national or local government agencies, community relations councils and all those committed to democracy and promoting equalities and human rights.

Abstracts of no more than 200 words, giving your name and contact details, title and abstract should be sent, no later than 24 May to: Dr Dina Kiwan at d.kiwan@bbk.ac.uk

Proposals for several contributions on a common theme (symposium) are welcome. Please include details of each contribution and the name of the symposium convenor. Selected papers will be published as a special issue of the *London Review of Education*.

All abstracts will be peer reviewed by members of the ICEDC steering group.

Steering group:

Professor John Annette, Pro Vice Master for Widening Participation & Community Partnerships, Birkbeck, University of London (co-director)

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Programme

- 9.30am Registration and coffee
- 10.00am Keynote session 1 - **Diversity and Citizenship in the Curriculum**
Chair: Professor Heidi Mirza, Centre for Equalities and Human Rights in Education, Institute of Education, University of London
Sir Keith Ajegbo, Lead author of the Diversity and Citizenship Curriculum Review
'Race', identity, citizenship and living together in the UK: revisiting the curriculum
Professor Audrey Osler, Centre for Citizenship and Human Rights Education, University of Leeds:
Democracy and diversity: educating citizens in a global age
- 11.15am Coffee break
- 11.45am Workshops 1
- 1.00pm Lunch
- 1.45pm Keynote session 2 - **Education, diversity and national identity**
Chair: Dr Dina Kiwan, Birkbeck, University of London and International Centre for Education for Democratic Citizenship
Professor Tariq Ramadan, Research Fellow, St Antony's College, Oxford;
Islam and national identity in Europe
Professor Sir Bernard Crick, Emeritus Professor, Birkbeck, University of London
Citizenship, diversity and national identity in the UK
- 3.00pm Workshops 2
- 4.15pm Tea
- 4.30pm Final panel - Keynote speakers and directors of ICEDC
- 5.00pm Close

Registration form - Please submit the registration form by Friday 6th July

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