



Promoting Inclusion Transforming Lives

International Conference 2017

14-16 June 2017, Dundee, Scotland

When

15th June – 16th June 2017

14th June – Free Pre-Conference Sessions:

Blethers (PAMIS) – email h.young@dundee.ac.uk and

Transforming Childhoods Symposium (TCELT) – email

v.juppkina@dundee.ac.uk and an evening Civic Reception

Where

Dalhousie Building | University of Dundee

Old Hawkhill | DD1 5EN | DUNDEE

How to book

Book a place via our website: www.pitl.co.uk

Free return airport transfers

Conference themes

Inclusive life transitions - work that has or is supporting inclusive educational transitions and wellbeing; and inclusive life transitions and well-being; What is the evidence? What is the best practice? What innovation is required?

Inclusive Spaces - work that has or is supporting inclusive communities and spaces. Consider the physical, environmental, cognitive, cultural, emotional, creative and social space. What is the evidence? What is the best practice? What innovation is required?

Sponsorship Packages available

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“Prepare to be challenged, to be creative, to be involved and most of all to take forward the learning from this conference and apply it back into practice and life”

What is Blethers?

Let us know what you you'd like to talk about and we'll come up with a programme of *Blethers*. Topics around profound learning disabilities



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Welcome and introduction PAMIS (promoting a more inclusive society) and TCELT (transformative change: educational and life transitions) would like to invite you to our first promoting inclusion transforming lives (PITL) conference in Dundee - registration, opening civic reception and pre conference sessions including children's signing choir on Wednesday 14th June 2017; full 2 day conference Thursday 15th – Friday 16th June.

Why you should come to the conference?

There are many people and organisations striving to build and develop inclusive and accessible communities and services for all but are we achieving this? Are the voices of some of our most excluded members of society being heard and being valued? Do we know who is missing from our engagement and consultations on town and city planning, business tourism and tourism, health and social care service development, leisure and culture development, lifelong education? Are we working hard enough to bring together collective wisdom across sectors, organisations, governmental departments, geographic areas – including international experience? Are we translating our research and evidence into practice that transforms lives?

These are serious questions that this conference will address, challenge and learn about. We know that if we provide the space and opportunity for people from very different sectors and backgrounds to meet we will develop collaborations that will truly transform lives and promote our society to include people who have had a lifetime of exclusion.

PAMIS exists to support people with profound and multiple learning disabilities and their family carers to lead valued and inclusive lives. We are inspired by their drive, passion, resilience and creativity. Profound means deep, it means expert, it means wise and we believe that this group of people and their family carers are some of our best teachers. They educate and inspire us to design, to create, to imagine what a truly inclusive world could look like but we need to take the time to tune into their unique teaching style. This conference/gathering is not just about debating how we include this group but their expertise will lead us in our design of services, communities and buildings to support everyone.

We are hugely ambitious for this conference but it will only be achievable if you bring your expertise and wisdom to this event. We really need cross cutting experts from around the world representing and working in: community and town planning and design, health, social care, arts, culture, sport, leisure, architecture, education, further education, policy makers, politicians and of course the 'real experts'; people who live the experience and their family carers.

This will be a unique opportunity to hear about real life issues, research, projects and work that is making a difference and to reflect, debate and create solutions together.

We have some fantastic papers, workshops and transformative practice sessions that will stimulate discussion and our key note speakers are all experts in inclusion – people who have experienced exclusion, people who have transformed lives or have had their lives transformed.

So please consider opening your minds and hearts to this conference – bring your expertise to the table and enable our collective wisdom to debate, discuss, design, imagine and above all make some commitments to building a more inclusive world.

Please book your place at www.pitl.org.uk or download programme:
<http://pitl.org.uk/programme/>

Many thanks and look forward to welcoming you to Dundee in June.

Jenny and Divya



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