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Dear ESREA member

Here is the last ESREA newsletter this year. If you have any information on new books, conferences or other interesting news within the field of adult education and lifelong/adult learning, please e-mail to me and it might appear in the next newsletter. The first newsletter of 2008 will appear in mid February.

Best wishes Dr Andreas Fejes Secretary of ESREA Web page: www.esrea.org e-mail: andreas.fejes@liu.se

This newsletter contains the following sections:

- Forthcoming ESREA activities
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Forthcoming ESREA activities

6-9 March 2008

The 2008 conference of the ESREA Life history and biographical research network Canterbury Christ church university, England

Conference title: Researching and theorising the emotional dimensions of learning and researching lives: a neglected species?

More information and second call for papers in both English and French at: www.esrea.org

29-31 May 2008

ESREA research network "Between Global and Local: Adult Learning and Development" II European Seminar in Wroclaw, University of Lower Silesia

Seminar title: LOCAL IN GLOBAL. ADULT LEARNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

More information and first call for papers at: www.esrea.org

Forthcoming conferences/seminars on adult education

17-19 January, 2008 10th International LLinE conference New partnerships and Lifelong Learning Helsinki, Finland

More information at: www.lline.fi

11-13 May 2008

Mediterranean Comparative Education Society meeting in Malta

More information at: www.educ.um.edu.mt/mesce

16-19 June 2008

5th International Lifelong Learning Conference

Rydges Resort, Yeppoon, Queensland, AUSTRALIA

http://lifelonglearning.cqu.edu.au/2008/

Closing date for the submission of abstracts: 7 September 2007 Closing date for submission of full papers: 29 February 2008

24 June, 2008

The third Annual Professional Learning Conference

Theme: Critical perspectives on continuing professional development

University of Leeds, Lifelong Learning Institute and Centre for Research on Professional

Education, Leeds, England Abstract deadline: February 2

More information at: www.leeds.ac.uk/medicine/meu/lifelong08/index.html

27-29 August, 2008

The 4th EARLI SIG 14 Learning and Professional Development Conference

Jyväskylä, Finland

More information at: http://ktl.jvu.fi/ktl/earli

24-27 September 2008

The 4th International conference on research in access and developmental education

San Juan, Puerto Rico

Call for proposals see: www.ncde.appstate.edu

New books on adult education/adult learning

Ekehard, N & Lattke, S. (Eds) (2007) *Qualifying Professionals for Adult Learning in Europe*. DiE.

Fejes, A. & Nicoll, K. (eds) (2008) Foucault and lifelong learning: Governing the subject. Londond: Routledge.

Jackson, S. & Burke J.P. (2007) Reconceptualising lifelong learning. London: Routledge.

Klein, B.M. & Osborne, M. (2007) The *concepts and practices of lifelong learning*. London: Routledge.

Zmeyov, S. (2007) *Andragogy: Foundations of theory, history and technology of adult learning.* Moscow: Per se, - 217 p (in Russian)

Information on recent conferences/seminars

Employment and inequality: closing the gap in Brighton & Hove

A free national conference to identify effective approaches to increasing employment chances and breaking down barriers in the labour market

www.sussex.ac.uk/cce/equalconference07

This event, which place on Wednesday 14th November at the Old Market, Hove, looked at what more needs to happen to ensure everyone gets a fair deal with employment opportunities. The day brought together a broad range of policy makers, researchers, service providers and community members as well as employers and agencies working in all sectors at local national, regional and European level. Sessions from key speakers were integrated with evidence collected by researchers at the Universities of Sussex and Brighton about the work of the Equal Brighton & Hove project.

The Equal funding stream is part of the European Union's Lisbon Strategy to deliver more and better jobs and for ensuring that no one is denied access to them. The initiative tests and promotes new means of combating forms of discrimination and inequalities in the labour market and for those seeking work. It acts as a test-bed for the European Social Fund as a whole. Equal Brighton & Hove is a city-wide initiative that supports adults into training and employment by providing Equal funding to over 35 projects delivered by a partnership of more than 50 organisations. The projects work with 11 identified target groups that experience difficulty in accessing conventional routes to learning and work, offering them a range of services, from training and qualifications, to work placements and information advice and guidance. The overall aim of Equal Brighton & Hove is to increase the employability of disadvantaged local people and break down barriers they may face to employment, and to provide a skilled labour pool for employers within the city.

The final phase of the Equal Brighton & Hove programme, Action 3, builds on the research expertise amongst Brighton and Sussex Universities and the key messages identified by the Equal Core Team. It aims to identify good practice in local projects and partnerships, to disseminate this as widely as possible, and to mainstream these approaches to influence strategy, policy and practice locally, regionally, nationally and across the EU.

The University of Sussex published the following Briefing Papers:

- Cecil, L. (2007) Corporate Social Responsibility: a review
- Conlan, N. and Beauclair, A. (2007) Partnership Practices and Equal Brighton & Hove
- Hinton-Smith, T. (2007) Lone Parents in Brighton & Hove: engagement with education and training.
- Hyde, S. and Cecil, L. (2007) Innovation and Equal Brighton & Hove
- Hyde, S. and Cecil, L. (2007) Employer Engagement and Equal Brighton & Hove
- McDonnell, E. and Beauclair, A. (2007) Equal Opportunities, Diversity and Equal Brighton & Hove
- McDonnell, E. and Beauclair, A.(2007) Empowerment and Equal Brighton & Hove

Policy Issue Paper:

• Boice, M. and Booker, C. (2007) Barriers to Employment and Employability

Policy Reports:

- Boice, M. and Booker, C. (2007) Employment and Inequality *Barriers to Employment and Employability*
- Conlan, N. and Beauclair, A. (2007) Partnership and Equal Brighton & Hove
- Hyde, S. and Cecil, L. (2007) Innovation and Equal Brighton & Hove
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All the above are available from Mrs Amanda Kingston, CCE Project Co-ordinator (Si Central), Arts D202, University of Sussex, Sussex Institute, Brighton BN1 9QQ. Tel: 01273 873945 email: A.J.Kingston@sussex.ac.uk

How to become a member of ESREA

Membership in ESREA is open to either individual members and to institutional members. As a member you have a reduced fee at ESREA activities and you receive information in the field of research on the education of adults through the ESREA e-mail list and through the ESREA newsletter. As an individual member you have the right to vote at the general assembly which takes place each year (virtually through postal ballot). As an institutional member, all employees at the institution have the right to participate in ESREA activities to a reduced fee. However, the institutional membership allows only one vote at the general assembly.

If you want to become a member the process is the following:

- 1. Download the document at www.esrea.org
- 2. Fill out the form and e-mail to andreas.fejes@liu.se
- 3. Within one-two weeks you will receive a confirmation of your membership by e-mail
- 4. At the same time as membership is confirmed you will be invoiced the membership fee which for 2008 is 50 Euros for individual members (25 Euros for phd or Edd students) and 150 Euros for institutional members.

Feel free to forward this information concerning membership in ESREA to people you think might be interested in a membership.

Forthcoming Newsletters

If you want to have some information included in forthcoming newsletters, here are the deadlines for the newsletters 2008.

Number 1 2008 – deadline for submission February 15

Number 2 2008 – deadline for submission April 15

Number 3 2008 – deadline for submission June 15

Number 4 2008 – deadline for submission September 15

Number 5 2008 – deadline for submission November 15