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The London Region
Conference:

Supporting refugee community organisations' role in integration in London



Venue: Conway Hall,
25 Red Lion Square,
London, WC1R 4RL

Date: 9.30am-4.30pm,
27 September 2010

Booking Deadline 10th September 2010



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The London Region Conference 'Supporting refugee community organisations' role in integration in London' seeks to encourage dialogue among representatives of refugee community organisations (RCOs), funders and policymakers to generate practical responses for long-term sustainability of the RCO sector in the current policy and funding climate.

Key Speakers

- **Richard Barnes**, the Deputy Mayor of London alongside a refugee community organisation representative
- **Jonathan Ellis**, the Director of Policy and Development at the Refugee Council
- **Micheline Safi Ngongo**, Chair of Light Project International
- **Luljeta Nuzi**, Shpresa Programme

Workshops

Social enterprise

To learn about social enterprise as an alternative means of survival in the current policy and funding environment and refugee community organisations (RCOs) experiences in this area.

- **Mei Yee Hui**, Social Enterprise London with RCO case study

Funders Café: A facilitated opportunity for refugee community organisations and funders to meet and share experiences and challenges.

- London Regional Team Big Lottery Fund, **Russell Darbon** and **Viv Whittingham**, Regional Managers - Development
- Lloyds TSB Foundation, **Birgitta Clift**, Head of Grant Making South
- The City Bridge Trust, **Stewart Goshawk**, Principal Grants Officer

Commissioning – Funding from Local Authorities

An overview of the process of commissioning from Local Authorities, share experiences of commissioning and discuss its impact for smaller organisations in particular for refugee community organisations and the refugee sector more generally.

- TBC

Invited Participants

- Refugee community organisations
- Second tier organisations
- Local authorities
- Funders
- Research organisations with a focus on refugees and migrants
- Press organisations



RCOs and integration

The Greater London Authority's Immigration and Asylum Unit will provide an update of the current refugee and asylum integration strategy and its impact upon refugee community organisations and the refugee sector in London. Iranian Association will share their experiences with integration over the last two decades and the achievements they have made so far.

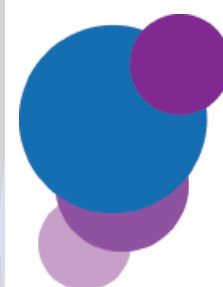
- The Greater London Authority's Immigration and Asylum Unit, **Dick Williams** and **Amna Mahmoud**,
- Iranian Association, **Kaveh Kalantari**

RCOs and infrastructure organisations

This workshop will capture the nature of current and future infrastructure support for refugee community organisations in London and discuss responses by providers and refugee community organisations to the evolving situation.

- Evelyn Oldfield Unit, **Sarah Menzies**, Development Worker
- London Voluntary Service Council, TBC
- Islington Refugee Forum, **Gladys Jusu-Sherif**, Chair

For more information and to confirm your attendance, please contact Alain Munyangabe on 020 7346 1297 or alain.munyangabe@refugeecouncil.org.uk
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