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Seminar Fee: €50.00

Includes tea/coffee, lunch and documentation.

Please make cheques payable to Presentation Centre.

Let us know if you have any special dietary needs for the day.

Closing date for registration: Friday 24th September 2004.

Mail Booking Form to:

Presentation Centre
37-39 Terenure Road West,
Terenure,
Dublin 6W.

To ensure a place at this Seminar early booking is advisable, a map will be enclosed with confirmation of booking.

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Fitzpatrick's Garage, Kildare
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Key Speakers

Dr. Katherine Zappone

Is a philosopher, educator and independent public policy research consultant. She is co-founder and chair of An Cósan (formerly known as "The Shanty"), a large community based organization in West Tallaght, Dublin, committed to eradicating poverty through education. Widely published in feminism, ethics, equality issues and education, she conducts research, consults and teaches. Her most recent works include – Achieving Equality in Children's Education (2002), Re-thinking Identity – The Challenge of Diversity (2003). She holds a PhD in Education and Religion from Boston College and is currently writing a book with Ann Louise Gilligan on the models of Education and Social Change emerging from their work at the Shanty.

Dr. Deirdre Butler

Is a faculty member in the Education Department of St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra, Dublin, with chief responsibility for designing and co-ordinating learning programmes using a broad range of digital technologies. She is interested in how the use of digital technologies can revolutionise learning by challenging us to examine how we learn and to question our assumptions about "traditional" models of schooling.

She has close working collaborations with the Everyday Learning Research Group at Media Lab Europe and Seymour Paper's Future of Learning Group at the MIT Media Lab. Her current research with schools is in the area of constructive technologies. Deirdre is invited regularly as speaker and facilitator to international conferences and seminars. Recent involvements include the School of the Future, Amsterdam (organised by Dutch Inspectorate, February 2002).

Discovering the Hidden Connections *for* LEARNING



Tuesday, 19th October, 2004

National College of Ireland
Mayor Street, I.F.S.C. Dublin 1

Organised by

PRESENTATION CENTRE FOR POLICY AND SYSTEMIC CHANGE

*"Education is the ability to perceive the
hidden connections between phenomena" by Václav Havel*

Welcome Note

On behalf of the Presentation Centre for Policy and Systemic change I am delighted to invite you to our seminar on Discovering the Hidden Connections for Learning and the launch of our policy paper on ??????????

The purpose of the seminar is to explore learning:

What we understand it to be?
What it depends on?
What we can do?

I hope that this seminar will open up new models of learning, explore 'joined-up' thinking and that participants will be enriched in relation to their own practice.

I look forward to meeting you on Tuesday 19th October.

Anne Marie Quinn PBVM

Programme Leader for Learning Innovation

Who Are We?

The Presentation Centre for Policy and Systemic Change was set up by the Presentation Sisters to work for social justice through responding to unmet social and educational needs. We work with people and organisations in innovative ways and through that collaboration strive to influence public policy in favour of people experiencing exclusion. We believe a new educational paradigm based on lifelong learning is necessary for a more inclusive society.

Our work is organised in four programmes:

- **Learning Innovation**

Tackling educational disadvantage through promoting and developing new educational initiatives based on lifelong learning and integrated service provision.

- **Social Inclusion**

Working with communities to overcome exclusion through developing initiatives that enable outreach, participation and empowerment.

- **Research, Policy & Advocacy**

Addressing systemic causes of injustice and disadvantage through research, policy work and campaigning.

- **Human Rights and Ecology**

Thinking globally and acting locally to promote human rights, development education, sustainable living and fair-trade practices.

Find out more about our Programme of Work by visiting our Website at www.presentation.ie

Who is the Seminar for?

The Seminar is aimed at educators, policy makers, practitioners, community workers, education psychologists, family therapists, social workers and anyone with an interest in exploring the hidden connections that allow learning to take place. It will provide an opportunity to address issues of equality and social inclusion in learning environments that have implications for schools and communities.

Seminar Venue:

National College of Ireland, Mayor Street, I.F.S.C., Docklands, Dublin 1.

National College of Ireland (NCI) is a third-level learning and teaching institution, informed by research and characterised by the diversity of its learner body and its strong links to business and the community.

N.C.I. aims to:

- Provide access to education at a time, place and pace that suits the learner.
- Create opportunities for learners to succeed.
- Provide a centre of academic excellence in its chosen programmes.

Holding the seminar in this location will provide an opportunity to be exposed to an environment that has diversified to meet learner needs.

Programme

09.30 – 10.00	Registration Coffee/Tea
10.00 – 10.10	Address of Welcome Ann Marie Quinn PBVM Programme Leader for Learning Innovation.
10.10 – 10.50	Chair: David Rose Director of Centre for Policy and Systemic Change. "Education is a Living System" Dr. Katherine Zappone
10.50 – 11.10	Round Table Conversation.
11.10 – 11.30	Coffee/Tea
11.30 – 12.20	Chair: Michael Hallissy Digital Hub Learning Initiatives. "Uncovering Learners' Hidden Potential" Dr. Deirdre Butler
12.20 – 12.40	Round Table Conversation
12.45 – 14.00	Lunch

Breakout Sessions

Opportunities to explore innovative learning models in an interactive environment. Concurrent Sessions: 14.00 –15.00.

Session 1. (1 or 2) Connecting Systems

Meeting the challenge of diverse needs

CONTRIBUTORS:

- **Integration – The Way Forward**
Carmel Terry – Integration Officer, Fatima Mansions, Dublin 8.
- **Family Based Approach**
Bernadette O'Donoghue – Strategic Policy Manager, Dublin City Dev. Board.
- **Community and Education Partnership**
Aidan McKeown and Nano Brennan PBVM –
Kildare Community and Education Partnership, Co. Kildare.

Session 2. (1 or 2) Connecting Relationships

Meeting the needs of young people with challenging behaviour

CONTRIBUTORS:

- **Challenged to Respond – a Two Way Journey**
Antonia Murphy PBVM – Hillgrove Lane, Off Campus Centre, Cork.
- **Punishment is not discipline – a practical in-school approach to helping young people with challenging behaviour –**
Dr. Kieran Groeger – Principal CBS, Secondary School, Youghal.
- **"Incredible Years" – Early Intervention**
Margaret Maher – Education Officer, Clondalkin Partnership, D. 22.

Session 3. (1 or 2) Connecting Community Releasing Human Potential

CONTRIBUTORS:

- **Opening the box – Possibilities for Community Education through Multiple Intelligences**
Pauline McGaley PBVM – Director Warrenmount Adult Education Centre, Dublin.
Liam Kilbride – Education Development Officer, Presentation South East Province.
- **Evolution of Primary School into a Community Learning Centre**
Ann Higgins – Curriculum Development Unit, Mary Immaculate College, Limerick.
- **Learning to make a difference**
Sean O'Dwyer – Co-ordinator, Presentation Out Reach Pilot at South Hill, Limerick.

Please indicate your 1st and 2nd preferences by numbering the boxes – We will try to accommodate your preferences but it may not be possible in all cases.

15.00 – 15.30	Gathering the Learning's of the Day
15.30	Launch of Presentation Centre for Policy and Systemic Change Policy Paper
16.00	Reception.