

## DEAR Stakeholder Conference, 5th and 6th October 2015

### Purpose

The Conference aims to gather and discuss the priorities of different stakeholders engaged in DEAR, the issues they face in its further development across the EU, and the potential for collaborative work across and between the different stakeholders at a European Union level. The Conference also provides an opportunity for networking between different organisations, authorities and agencies engaged in DEAR.

### Process

The process of the Conference involves a mix of plenary inputs and discussion stimuli, as well as opportunities for group work to develop and discuss suggestions for further collaboration.

### Intended outcome

It is the intention that the Conference will lead to suggestions for the work of an EU DEAR Multi-Stakeholder Group to be supported by the European Commission's DEAR Support Team. A report containing the Conference presentations, discussed issues and conclusions will be circulated to participants after the event.

### Programme Monday 5 October 2015

All sessions take place on level 1 in room B

Timing	Agenda item
15.45	Arrival and registration. Coffee/tea available
16.30	<b>1. Welcome and opening</b> - Rosário Bento Pais, <i>Head of Unit 'Civil Society Local Authorities', DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</i> - Harm-Jan Fricke, <i>DEAR Support Team</i>
17.00	<b>2. Global and European development: challenges and potentials for DEAR?</b> - Sonia Sanz Ventin, <i>Senior Programme Coordinator and Researcher, CIDEAL Foundation</i>
17.30	<b>3. Issues in DEAR in the European Union</b> - findings from the participant questionnaire - Valentina Auricchio, <i>Head of DEAR Sector, Unit 'Civil Society Local Authorities', DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</i> - Harm-Jan Fricke followed by table group and plenary discussions
19.00	<b>4. Close for the day</b> - Valentina Auricchio followed by - informal networking opportunities

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<b>Timing</b>	<b>Agenda item</b>
8.30	Conference room opens. Coffee/tea available
9.00	5. <b>EU DEAR programme orientations</b> – discussion about past and forthcoming DEAR calls for Proposals - Rosário Bento Pais, <i>Head of Unit ‘Civil Society Local Authorities’, DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</i>
10.15	Break: coffee/tea
10.45	6. <b>Recap of inputs and discussions so far</b> - Jan Matyas, <i>DEAR sector task manager, DG International Cooperation and Development Unit ‘Civil Society Local Authorities’, European Commission</i> - Sandra Oliveira, <i>DEAR Support Team</i> - Caroline Vilos, <i>DEAR Support Team</i>
11.00	7. <b>Priorities, challenges and opportunities for multi-stakeholder engagement in DEAR</b> - panel presentations and discussions: - Chair: Valentina Auricchio Inputs from: - Bobby McCormack, <i>co-chair CONCORD DARE Forum, Development Perspectives NGO, Ireland</i> - Sharon Pruski, <i>Neath Port Talbot Borough Council, Wales, UK</i> - Eddie O’Loughlin, <i>Global Education Network Europe (GENE)</i> - Jan van Ongevalle, <i>HIVA Research Institute for Work and Society, University of Leuven</i>
12.15	Lunch
13.15	8. <b>Towards a renewed EU DEAR Multi-Stakeholder Group?</b> - introduction by Markus Pirchner, <i>DEAR sector task manager, DG International Cooperation and Development Unit ‘Civil Society Local Authorities’, European Commission</i>
13.30	9. <b>The potential for DEAR at EU level</b> (rooms B, G, H and I) - working groups to identify specific opportunities for the further development of DEAR practice, policy, and research, and for collaboration between different stakeholder groups - followed by plenary report back and concluding discussion
15.45	10. <b>Next steps and concluding remarks</b> - Valentina Auricchio, <i>Head of DEAR Sector, Unit ‘Civil Society Local Authorities’, DG International Cooperation and Development, European Commission</i>
16.00	<b>Close.</b> Departure tea/coffee

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