BEYOND 2015

SHAPING THE FUTURE OF EQUALITY
HUMAN RIGHTS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Call for contributions to the Beyond 2015 online portal

Overview

As part of the Beyond 2015: shaping the future of equality, human rights and social justice project we are developing an online portal within the Equality and Diversity Forum website. As well as project material, such as links to the conference papers and presentations and to the project publication, it will have space for case studies, initiatives and blogs and we are encouraging people from across the UK and from different sectors and disciplines to make submissions. The portal will go live in February 2015 and will be updated with new material as it comes in.

Kinds of contributions

We are looking for any and every kind of contribution that fit within the project's unifying theme of improving equality, human rights and social justice in the UK over the next decade through working more effectively across and within different sectors, communities and parts of the UK. We are keen to promote innovative thinking alongside initiatives based on experience of what has and hasn't proved effective, and that recognise the economic constraints within which we will all be working. The portal is intended to be an exemplar of 'knowledge exchange', with a diversity of contributions covering different areas of discrimination, socio-economic inequality and human rights in different sectors and parts of the UK.

Contributions might include:

- Case studies – examples of new approaches to tackling inequality that have proved effective
- Proposals for policy or legislative levers
- Blogs and think pieces
- Longer articles
- Film footage and podcasts

We are happy to include previously-published material and resources (providing there is no breach of copyright) alongside items specifically written for the portal.

Style and content
The audience for this project is diverse, including policymakers, researchers and NGOs and interested members of the public. We ask contributors to bear this in mind and write in plain English: please avoid legal or technical jargon. Providing examples or practical illustrations is often helpful in making material interesting and intelligible.

All contributions should be of a high standard in terms of style, structure, presentation, accuracy and originality of material. Where arguments are made, they should be justified and well-grounded and avoid polemical language. Contributions should demonstrate a good understanding of the UK's equality, human rights and social justice research and policy agendas. They should be written in in non-discriminatory language that complies with the spirit and the letter of equality and human rights legislation.

Format
- There is no word limit for online contributions but we will prioritise material of up to 3,000 words.
- Please use British English spelling and punctuation.
- References to other material cited should be provided in full.
- Acronyms should be spelled out on first use eg Equality and Diversity Forum (EDF).

Copyright and confidentiality
Contributors are responsible for obtaining written permission for use of copyright material where necessary. Material submitted should not breach the privacy or confidentiality of any individuals. Papers are accepted on the understanding that copyright is with the Equality and Diversity Forum.

Deadline
The portal will be launched in March 2015. Contributions may be submitted by email to info@edf.org.uk fully proofed and referenced before Friday 27 March 2015 (new deadline).

All contributors are asked to provide a short biographical note of up to 70 words to be published below their contribution.

Editorial decisions are at the discretion of EDF and the EDF Research Network and we reserve the right to edit contributions or not to use contributions submitted if they do not meet the criteria below. All contributions used will be fully acknowledged.

Please email Moira Dustin at info@edf.org.uk if you have any questions about this call for contributions.