

AN INTERNATIONAL YOUTH WORK TRAINERS NETWORK

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WHAT IS IT?

Bringing together all youth work training organisations with the intention of creating an international supportive network

WHY?

- ◉ Bring together like-minded youth work training institutions and researchers with the intention of supporting each other and therefore youth work (by any other name!) around the world.
- ◉ Idea arose from own research into historical and comparative youth work training
- ◉ Echo (possibly) the UK TAG model currently in operation- TAG: The Professional Association of Lecturers in Youth and Community Work (UK)

TAG: THE PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION OF LECTURERS IN YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK (UK)

- The Association represents youth and community work educators, academics and researchers across the UK, with international links to youth and community work education in countries such as the Republic of Ireland, Australia and across Europe and held its annual conference last week in England. 2016 in Derry, Northern Ireland.
- <http://www.tagpalycw.org/>

The purpose of the Association is to support research, education and training in youth and community work with a particular concern for higher education, and we represent in excess of 200 educators at over 50 institutions and agencies across the UK. As researchers, educators and academics we represent different perspectives, approaches and experience from across the UK youth and community work sector, but the thing that unites us is the belief in youth and community work as a distinctive way of working with young people and communities.

WHO WOULD BE INVOLVED?

Anyone who is a **YOUTH
WORK TRAINER OR
EDUCATORS** around the world

WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE?

A forum where educators and trainers can:

- Share ideas and experiences
 - Learn from other examples from around the world
 - Visit each other
 - Find support
 - Etc.
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- If the boundaries are boundless and it is what we make it.

WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE?

- ◉ Steering committee?
- ◉ Management group?

- ◉ Think that it is important to be global
- ◉ Formal and informal training
- ◉ Higher education and vocational education

- ◉ The idea is to support those providing training

- ◉ **Is it possible to help create an international standard?**

HOW WOULD IT BE MANAGED?

- ◉ EXCELLENT QUESTION!
- ◉ Thoughts

DISCUSSION

Thoughts?

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