



**EDUCATION FOR DEMOCRATIC CITIZENSHIP - A ROLE FOR THE CHURCHES?**

**Strasbourg, 5-7 October 2011**

**PROGRAMME**

**Wednesday, 5 October**

**Afternoon** (at CIARUS)

14:00 **Opening prayers**

14:10 **Introduction to the Conference by the Director of CSC – Rüdiger Noll**

14:20 **“Translating” democratic citizenship into everyday life. How can the churches be involved?**

*Possible projects*

- Children of Chernobyl Foundation – Alena Damaneuskaya, member of Belarus of the EFECW (Ecumenical Forum of European Christian Women)
- Project within the Church of Cyprus – Mr Georgios Ioannou, Orthodox Church of Cyprus, Representation to the European Institutions in Brussels
- IV Seminar “The Christian Contribution to Education for Democracy”– The Revd Gerhard Pfeiffer
- Mr J. H. Pedersen, video journalist in the Church of Denmark
- Revd. Friedhelm Schneider, Peace and Environment project, Protestant Church of Palatinate (Germany)
- The contribution of social networking to democratic citizenship eg Super Badger , Mrs Diane Murray (United Kingdom)
- “Life in Fullness” - Dr Rev Daniel Schmid-Holz, Protestant Church of Switzerland,

15:20 – 15:30 Short break

15:30 Presentation followed by discussion on **“Christianity, Citizenship and Education”** by Dr. Liam Gearon, University Lecturer in Religious Education, Department of Education and Senior Research Fellow, Harris Manchester College, University of Oxford

16:30 Break at the bar

17:00 **World Café**

18:20 Reporting back in **Plenary**

Possibility to have dinner at CIARUS at 19h00 and possibly activities in the evening

### **Thursday, 6 October** (at the Council of Europe – **Agora Building**)

7:45 Assemble in the hall of the Ciarus to go and take the bus to the Council of Europe

8:30 Assemble outside the Agora building of the Council of Europe

9:00 **Presentation of the work of the European institutions,**

Presentation by a representative of the Council of Europe - Ms Maria Ochoa-Llido, Head of Department, Directorate of Education and Language, DGIV, Council of Europe

Presentation by a representative of the European Commission – Mr Jonathan Hill, member of the Cabinet of Ms Androulia Vassiliou, Commissioner for Education, Culture, Multilingualism and Youth.

### **Round table, questions and discussion with the speakers**

11:00 Break

11:15 Where are we so far?

12:30 Lunch

### **Afternoon** (at the Council of Europe)

14:15 **Working groups:**

16:45 **Plenary:**

19:00 “Tarte Flambée” in a local restaurant

### **Friday, 7 October** (at CIARUS)

#### **Plenary**

9:00 Skeleton of draft conclusions by rapporteurs.

9:30 Mr Dimitri Marchenkov, member of staff for the Congress of Local Authorities from the Council of Europe  
**Implementation on the political level**

How can politicians and different actors from civil society/churches act together?  
What are the expectations? What can we learn from each other?

10:30 Break at the bar

11:00 Evaluation

11:30 Mr Robert Herrmann, Deputy Mayor of Strasbourg

12:20 Closing prayer

12:30 **Lunch**

Departures