

Planning your conference: important information for delegates

The conference begins on Wednesday 11th December at 10:45 and closes on Friday 13th December at 14:45

There is a very busy programme with 12 parallel presentation sessions and we hope the following information will help you plan your conference effectively and take full advantage of all the events and opportunities on offer to delegates.

Conference papers

Delegates can access all the conference papers through the SRHE Conference website. The papers are listed by session, by domain and by presenter.

All conference events will be held at the Celtic Manor Resort, Newport, Wales. NP18 1HQ, UK.

Convention Level C1 is the location for all **conference plenary sessions**.

The main plenary room is the **Caernarfon Suite**. On the same level, Level C1, is the **Caernarfon Foyer** and this is where all teas & coffees and all lunches will be served in the breaks. The Caernarfon Foyer is also the location for the evening drinks receptions, the **Exhibitor Stands** and **Poster Sessions** and the **SRHE Conference Information Desk**.

Convention Level C2 is the location for all the **breakout rooms for paper presentations** in the parallel sessions. Breakout rooms on Level C2 are: *Beaumaris Lounge, Beaumaris 1, Beaumaris 2, Caldicot, Caerphilly, Cardiff; Chepstow; Conwy 1, Conwy 2, Denbigh 1, Denbigh 2, and Raglan.*

Conference Registration is in the main Hotel Foyer upon arrival at the hotel. This Registration Desk will close at 4.00pm on Wednesday 11th December and any delegates arriving after this time should register at the SRHE Conference Information Desk located outside the Caernarfon Suite on Convention Level C1.

Hotel Check in The conference starts promptly at **10.45** with the opening keynote speaker, **Professor Philip Altbach**. **Delegates arriving on Wednesday morning (11th December)** should leave their luggage with the concierge and check in later in the day. All delegates who have accommodation booked at the Celtic Manor need to check in at the main hotel reception later on in the day.

Conference materials

The **Conference Programme and Book of Abstracts** contains all programme information on the scheduling of plenaries and paper presentations plus details of all authors and their abstracts for the full 3 days of conference. In the delegate packs you will also have a detailed **Conference Timetable** of all events showing the room locations for every conference event and presentation session. This is kept separate from the programme so that it can take account of any last minute changes. You should aim to have this timetable with you throughout the conference as this will be a key document in locating sessions and finding your way around. Also included in delegate packs is a **Floor Plan of breakout rooms**.

Paper presentations (symposia, individual papers, discussion workshops)

There are a total of 12 parallel sessions running at any one time for the presentation of papers and the room locations and the different types of presentations are clearly indicated on the Conference Timetable sheets.

Conference meals The conference delegate package includes breakfast & lunch on all days and dinner on Wednesday 11th December. The **Conference Gala dinner on Thursday 12th December** is an additional event and tickets are £42 per person. **Delegates who have pre booked for dinner will find their dinner ticket inside their delegate badge**. For delegates who have not pre-booked, Gala Dinner tickets can be purchased from the Conference Information Desk during the conference. Delegates not attending the Conference Gala dinner are entitled to a 3 course meal (not including drinks) in the *Olive Tree* Restaurant in the Lobby level of the Resort as part of the conference package.

Wednesday 11 December 2013: Dinner for Residential Delegates 19.00-21.30. Dinner on this evening is informal and included in the residential conference package. Delegates may take dinner at one of four excellent restaurants; *The Olive Tree* and the *Patio* in the hotel itself and the *Rafters* and the *Lodge* situated in the resort grounds with transport provided via hotel shuttle coaches.

Delegates are encouraged to pre book at: www.celtic-manor.com/Restaurants_and_Bars.aspx.

Reservations can also be made on arrival at the Dinner Reservations desk situated in the main hotel lobby. Each restaurant will offer a SRHE Conference menu for delegates to choose from. Delegates will be responsible for any drinks ordered.

Wednesday 11 December 2013: Dinner for International delegates and first time attenders. At conference this year we have a substantial number of international delegates, many of whom will be attending SRHE conference for the first time. We extend a particularly warm welcome to them and invite all our international delegates and any delegates attending their first conference, or any delegates who would prefer to join us rather than make individual arrangements, to take dinner on Wednesday 11 December, hosted by the SRHE, in the Garden Room of the Olive Tree restaurant from 19.30 onwards. Please state 'SRHE Garden Room' when making your reservation.

Non-residential delegates wishing to have a meal at the Resort on this night should book this with the Conference Information Desk in advance. The cost is £30 for a three course meal.

Plenary sessions & Social events

Wednesday 11 Dec 10.45-11.00	Conference Welcome and Introduction Helen Perkins Director SRHE	Caernarfon Suite Level C1
Wednesday 11 Dec 11.00-12.00	Keynote address: Professor Philip Altbach <i>Global Trends in Higher Education: Current Realities & Future Prospects</i>	Caernarfon Suite Level C1
Wednesday 11 Dec 13.45-14.15	Poster session 1 Meet the Editor: SRHE Book series	Caernarfon Foyer Level C1 Routledge stand
Wednesday 11 Dec 16.45-17.30	SRHE Vice President's Address Professor Sir Peter Scott <i>Raising the Profile of Research into Higher Education: Meeting the Leadership Challenge</i>	Caernarfon Suite Level C1
Wednesday 11 Dec 17.30-18.15	SRHE Consultative Meeting on Sustaining and Supporting Higher Education Research - incorporating the Annual General Meeting (AGM)	Caernarfon Suite Level C1
Wednesday 11 Dec 18.15-19.00	Welcome drinks reception for all delegates	Caernarfon Foyer Level C1
Wednesday 11 Dec 19.00-21.30	Followed by dinner in the resort restaurants	Olive Tree / Patio / Rafters / Lodge
Thursday 12 Dec 10.15-10.45	Book Launch: <i>The Question of Conscience: Higher education and Personal Responsibility</i>	Caernarfon Foyer IOE Exhibition Stand
Thursday 12 Dec 10.45-11.45	Keynote Address: Dr Manja Klemenčič <i>"Student engagement in time of transformation"</i>	Caernarfon Suite Level C1
Thursday 12 Dec 13.45-14.15	Poster session 2 Meet the Editor: Studies in Higher Education	Caernarfon Foyer T&F Exhibition Stand
Thursday 12 Dec 16.45 -17.45	Research Directions - A choice of seven parallel discussion seminars RD1 <i>Marketising Higher Education: The rise of the private university</i> RD2 <i>Widening Participation in a Marketised HE Landscape: Exploring Pedagogic Implications and Challenges</i> RD3 <i>Researching the student experience: Partnerships, practices & evidence</i> RD4 <i>Methodological Diversity in Higher Education Research</i> RD5 <i>Scoping out the Employability Agenda for the Future</i> RD6 <i>What should CPD for doctoral supervisors and examiners look like for doctorates of the future?</i> RD7 <i>Students as Newer Researchers in Higher Education: The new student teacher research relationship</i> RD8 <i>Open Access Publishing. What will it mean for higher education?</i>	Caernarfon Suite Denbigh Beaumaris Conwy Chepstow Caerphilly Caldicot Cardiff

Thursday 12 Dec 19.00-19.30	Book Launch: <i>Researching Student Learning in Higher Education</i>	Routledge Stand
Thursday 12 Dec 19.00-20.00	Drinks Reception sponsored by Routledge: Taylor and Francis Group <i>An opportunity to meet with SRHE Network Convenors (Open to all delegates)</i>	Caernarvon Foyer
Thursday 12 Dec 20.00 – 22.30	Conference Gala Dinner	Caernarvon Suite
22.30-00.30	<i>Disco & Bar</i>	Caernarvon Suite
Friday 13 Dec 11.00-11.30	Book Launch: <i>Literacy in the Digital University</i>	Caernarfon Foyer Level C1 Routledge Exhibition Stand
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	RD7 <i>Students as Newer Researchers in Higher Education: The new student teacher research relationship</i>	Caldicot
	RD8 <i>Open Access Publishing. What will it mean for higher education?</i>	Cardiff
Friday 13 Dec 13.30-14.45	Lunch and Depart	Caernarfon Foyer Level C1

Please wear your conference badge at all times during Conference, including all mealtimes and drinks receptions. This helps identify you to hotel staff as SRHE Conference delegates and allows them to help with information and directions as appropriate.

Who's who at Conference use of coloured lanyards. To help delegates get help easily we use a system of coloured lanyards with the conference badges.

They represent the following:

Blue lanyards- Conference delegates

Red lanyards-keynote speakers

Green lanyards-SRHE Council members

Black lanyards- SRHE Conference team and helpers



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