

## Invitation

### Exploring Difference: International Perspectives on Teacher Training

Thursday 7 November 2013, British Embassy Berlin

The series **INTERNATIONAL DIALOGUE ON EDUCATION BERLIN** is a joint initiative of the British Council, the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), the Australian Group of Eight, the Embassy of Canada in Germany, the German-American Fulbright Commission and Freie Universität Berlin. In 2013, ID-E is also joined by the Finnish Institute in Berlin. Through the contributions of international participants the series aims to enrich the debate on science, research and higher education policy in Germany, to place German perspectives in a global context and to learn from positive examples from other countries.

The tenth conference in the ID-E Berlin series will focus on perspectives from anglophone countries and Finland on teacher training and how to ensure that teachers become more internationally and culturally competent. Drawing on examples from their own education systems and at their own institutions, a detailed understanding of the different systems and new developments in teacher training will be elicited from experts from Australia, Canada, Finland, the United Kingdom and the United States of America. The event will be followed on 8 November by a conference in Berlin entitled “Internationalisierung der Lehrerbildung” organised by DAAD, supported by the Zentrum für LehrerInnenbildung, Universität zu Köln.

Participants must register in advance. The working language will be English.

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**13:00-13:30 Registration and Coffee**

**13:30-14:00 Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**John Whitehead** Director, British Council Germany

**Ulrich Grothus** Deputy Secretary-General, German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)

**14:00-16:00 Panel Discussion**

### Speakers

**Robert J. Tierney** Honorary Professor, Faculty of Education and Social Work, University of Sydney (AUS)

**George Richardson** Associate Dean, International, Faculty of Education, University of Alberta (CDN)

**Mirja-Tytti Talib** Adjunct Professor, Department of Teacher Education, University of Helsinki (FIN)

**Norbert Pachler** Professor of Education, Director International Teacher Education, Institute of Education, University of London (UK)

**Murry R. Nelson** Professor Emeritus of Education and American Studies, College of Education, The Pennsylvania State University (USA)

### Moderator

**Jan-Martin Wiarda** Head Communications and Media Relations, Helmholtz Association

**16:00-16:30 Coffee Break**

**16:30-18:00 Final Plenary & Discussion**

Conclusions and recommendations for the national debate

**18:00-20:00 Reception & Buffet**

Opening event for conference "Internationalisierung der Lehrerbildung" continues on 8 November at the Landesvertretung Nordrhein-Westfalen in Berlin

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**Venue** British Embassy Berlin  
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