
Why Do We Need Participatory Research?

Presentation – Workshop – Networking – Panel – Best Practice Guidance

Tuesday 16th March 2010, 10.00-16.00

NCB, Albany House, 73-75 Great Victoria Street, BELFAST BT2 7AF

Key speaker: **Dr Darren Sharpe:** Practice Development Officer of the National Youth Agency and Director of the Young Researcher Network

Other speakers/organisers: **Celine McStravick:** Director NCB Northern Ireland
Gill Crouch: Participation Worker NCB Northern Ireland
Dirk Schubotz: YLT Director, ARK
NCB/ARK Young Researchers

After Darren's presentation, two parallel workshop sessions will be held which provide an opportunity to discuss the methodology and practice of working with young people as researchers. The workshops will be co-facilitated by young people who have worked as peer researchers themselves on recent ARK and NCB projects. The day will be concluded with a Panel Discussion of a Best Practice Guide on participatory research.

This **free** event (catering included!) is held within the *ESRC Festival of Social Science* week and is organised by ARK in conjunction with NCB Northern Ireland. It provides a good networking opportunity for people who have been involved in participatory research, but equally an ideal starting point for those who have an interest in such research and would like to learn more about participatory research practice and ethics of working with young people.

Places are limited! To book yours, please contact Dirk Schubotz at: (028) 9097 3947, or email: D.Schubotz@qub.ac.uk