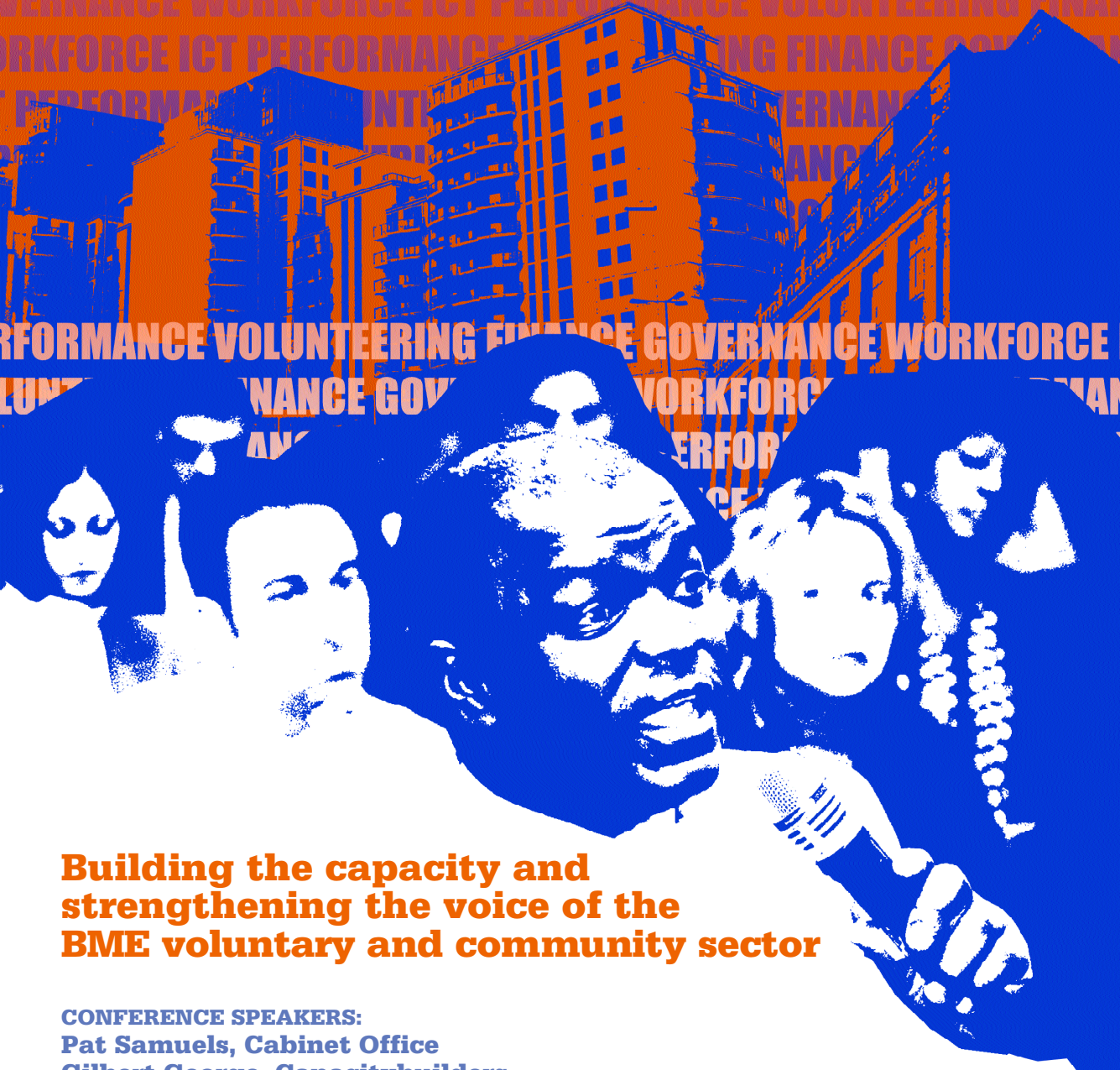


Focusing On The Frontline

A BTEG NATIONAL CONFERENCE



Building the capacity and strengthening the voice of the BME voluntary and community sector

CONFERENCE SPEAKERS:

Pat Samuels, Cabinet Office
Gilbert George, Capacitybuilders
Jeremy Crook OBE, BTEG
Vandna Gohil, Voice4ChangeEngland

FRIDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2007

Haberdashers Hall, 18 West Smithfield, London EC1A 9HQ



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How will you answer THREE important questions?

- 1 Are you keeping up with the current policy developments that are changing the landscape of voluntary and community sector funding?**
- 2 Is your organisation developing the necessary skills that will help build its capacity and sustain it both now and for the future?**
- 3 Are you concerned about the future of your organisation and the BME voluntary and community sector?**

Focusing on the Frontline conference brings together policy makers as well as representatives from the BME voluntary and community sector to talk about the relevance of the BME third sector in tackling inequalities and social deprivation.

Through the work of Capacitybuilders and the National hubs, it will highlight the work of infrastructure organisations and the role they play in strengthening the capacity of frontline organisations.

Finally, the conference will set out what the government needs to do to ensure that the work of the sector stays on the agenda both now and in the future.

EVENT TIMETABLE

09.15 – 9.50
Registration & Refreshments

9.50-10.00
Welcome:
Sonia Gordon, Chair, BTEG

10.00-10.15
Focusing on the Frontline
Jeremy Crook OBE, BTEG

10.15-10.35
Third Sector Strategy
Pat Samuels, Office of the
Third Sector

10.35- 10.55
Supporting The Sector
Gilbert George,
Capacitybuilders

10.55-11.15 Refreshments

11.15-11.40
Questions to Panel

11.45-13.00
Hub Workshops:
• Finance
• Governance
• ICT

13.00-13.45
Lunch

13.45-15.15
Hub Workshops:
• Performance
• UK Workforce
• Volunteering

15.20-15.35
A Voice for the Sector
Vandna Gohil, Voice4Change

15.35-15.45
A Frontline Perspective
(speaker tbc)

15.45-15.55
Closing Remarks
Sonia Gordon, Chair, BTEG

16.00-18.00
Networking Reception

THE NATIONAL HUBS

The six National hubs are partnerships that offer information and expertise on:

- Finance
- Governance
- ICT
- Performance
- UK Workforce
- Volunteering

The aim of each hub is to increase the quality and quantity of advice and support available to the voluntary and community sector and to benefit charities and their causes.

The hubs are funded through Capacitybuilders. To sign-up or find out more information go to www.hubs.org.uk

CONFERENCE WORKSHOP CHOICES

Workshop : Finance

Make your organisation fit for investment.

The workshop will discuss criteria used by funders to assess whether BME third sector organisations are ready to receive investment. How useful and relevant are those criteria? Could they be improved? What support might BME third sector organisations need to prepare for investment?

SPEAKER: BRAP

Workshop: Governance

Governance counts.

To get your voice heard at a policy level your organisation has to be effective and credible.

To be effective and credible you need good governance. Join us to learn seven easy ways to improve governance in your organisation. The session will involve a mixture of case studies, presentations, group work and many useful governance resources to take away.

SPEAKER:

Alison Taylor
(Governance Hub)

Workshop: ICT

How technology can help on the frontline.

In the last ten years we have seen an information and communications revolution. Small charities and community organisations can now communicate with the world or publish a newsletter with the click of a mouse.

Is your organisation using Information and Communications Technology (ICT) effectively? Come and discover what resources and support are available.

SPEAKERS:

Matt Legg (ICT Hub Corporate Development Manager)
Miles Maier (London regional ICT champion)

Workshop: Performance

Shaping the future

The world around your organisation is changing all the time. Are you keeping up?

This interactive workshop will discuss future trends, how they could affect your

organisation and possible responses.

You will gain ideas to help you get started with strategy.

SPEAKERS:

Jake Eliot and Sue Rudkin
(Performance Hub)

Workshop: UK Workforce

This workshop will look at good workforce development and why it is a crucial part of effective service delivery, and give some practical tips and advice on how to work out the true cost of workforce development and how to get funding for it.

Includes a free copy of "Funding and Costing Workforce and Governance Development - A resource for the voluntary and community sector".

CHAIR: Ila Chandavarkar
(MENTER)

SPEAKER: Lai-Har Cheung
(UK Workforce Hub)

Workshop: Volunteering

The Commission on the Future of Volunteering will present selections of the findings, seeking your views and comments following the national launch in October.

The Volunteering Hub will display and hand out information on volunteering throughout the day.

SPEAKER: Meta Zimmeck
(Volunteering England)

Booking Form

7Please photocopy and return a form for each delegate to:

BTEG, 2nd Floor, Lancaster House, 31-33 Islington High Street, London N1 9LH
Tel: 020 7843 6110 Fax: 020 7833 1723 Email: angeline@bteg.co.uk

Reserve Place

Name.....
Job title.....
Organisation.....
Address.....
.....Region.....
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Individual requirements (dietary, access etc).....

Workshops please tick 2 workshops you would like to attend:

MORNING WORKSHOPS:

Workshop (Finance).....
Workshop (Governance).....
Workshop (ICT).....

AFTERNOON WORKSHOPS:

Workshop (Performance).....
Workshop (Volunteering).....
Workshop (Workforce).....

a) Voluntary and community sector organisations £40.....
b) Public Sector/Statutory Bodies £80.....
c) Private Sector £125.....

Payment

Invoice

Please invoice my organisation for £.....
Contact details for invoicing if different to above.....
.....Tel.....

Cheque

I enclose a cheque made payable to BTEG for the amount of £.....

Networking Reception

Following the conference we will be holding a networking reception from 4pm – 6pm. Please tick the box if you would like to attend.

