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WHAT ROLE CAN EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT (ECD) SERVICES PLAY IN PROMOTING SOCIAL COHESION AND PEACEBUILDING?

WHAT ARE THE LESSONS THAT CAN BE LEARNT FROM THOSE CURRENTLY PROVIDING ECD SERVICES IN COUNTRIES AFFECTED BY CONFLICT?

HOW DO WE KNOW WHETHER ECD SERVICES ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE AND HAVING A MEASURABLE IMPACT ON THE LIVES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES AND IN CONTRIBUTING TO BROADER SOCIAL COHESION?

Hosted by the Centre for Evidence and Social Innovation at Queen's, this one-day conference brings together many of the world's leading experts in ECD and peacebuilding.

Participants will share their expertise and practical experience of working to promote social cohesion through the local development of ECD services.

Plans for the creation of a global research network, led by Yale, Queen's, NYU and Harvard under the auspices of the Early Childhood Peace Consortium will also be shared. A developing framework for understanding and measuring the impact of ECD services on social cohesion and peacebuilding, that will inform the future work of the network, will also be launched.

REGISTRATION: Registration is essential for this event. There is no cost for attendance and refreshments and lunch will be provided. Places are limited and a waiting list will be applied. To register please contact David Piekaar on: (028) 9097 5956 or via email at: [d.piekaar@qub.ac.uk](mailto:d.piekaar@qub.ac.uk)

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