

OUTLINE PROGRAMME

ARC SUMMIT 12-15 SEPTEMBER**Thursday 12 September - Spotlight on Our National Mission in Wales**

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| 12.00 | Arrival and registration – the Hilton Hotel, Cardiff
https://www3.hilton.com/en/hotels/united-kingdom/hilton-cardiff-CWLHITW/index.html |
| 14.00-17.30 | Wales' showcase: "The Learning Journey in Wales – making our National Mission a reality" – full shape of this session to be discussed in the Working Group |
| 17.30-18.30 | Reflections on our National Mission – headteachers to be involved |
| 19.30-22.00 | Cultural offer and Gala dinner – Cardiff Castle and will include a short tour and history of the castle https://www.cardiffcastle.com/ |

Friday 13 September

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| 08.30 – 13.00 | School visits – each delegate will be selected as part of a small group of 4 to 7 persons to visit a school predetermined by ARC Secretariat. Schools will include primary, secondary, Welsh and English medium schools. It will involve a meeting with the school's senior management team, school walkthrough and observation of school activities |
| 13.00-13.30 | Light lunch |

Fourth ARC Summit commences

Objectives

1. Share progress since last year and identify current and future challenges
2. Reaffirm and renew ARC values & directions. Welcome new members
3. Focus on assessment and system responsibility and consider how systems can further develop their strategies, in line with ARC values
4. Consider the implications of #3 for system leadership of ARC members
5. Engage with strategic issues and challenges
6. Develop a strategy for the work and impact of ARC over the coming years

Main issue for discussion at this year's summit

The summit will explore the role of assessment in enhancing equity, inclusion and social justice while also addressing the purposes of responsibility, accountability, and public confidence.

Based on experiences in the systems, we will examine how effective assessment, including on a large-scale, can lead to better and deeper learning with minimal or no negative side effects. Questions to be explored will include:

- a) In what ways can we assess outcomes and progress for students consistent with improving equity, broad excellence, wellbeing, inclusion, democracy, and human rights?
- b) How do we create and use relevant data, big and small, on broad curriculum outcomes?
- c) How can we develop meaningful and credible large-scale assessments that avoid negative side effects on students, teachers and schools?
- d) How can technology assist in recording, portraying and promoting student progress in relation to ARC values?

13.30 Introductions. Ground rules, protocols, and programme

13.45 Expectations activity

14.05 Formal welcome. Kirsty Williams, Minister for Education

14.15 Andy Hargreaves. Rethinking responsibility for educational improvement: Setting the scene for the summit

14.45 Reflection

1. What are we trying to change and achieve? The Policy and Strategy

15.00 3 x eight minute presentations by Iceland, Nova Scotia, Scotland on the strengths and weaknesses of their current assessment system as it applies in the classroom

	Questions generated electronically
15.40	Refreshment break
16.00	Plenary. Response to questions and discussion
16.15	Mixed cross-system groups to look in depth at the issues
17.30	Discussion and reflection
18.00	Close
	Delegates to make own arrangements re evening meal. Networking opportunity. Offer of walking tour of Cardiff city centre focused on the city's history (optional)

Saturday 14 September

9.00	Panel: Pasi Sahlberg, Beatriz Pont, Yngve Lindvig and Alta van Heerden. Theme: different ways of making assessment and responsibility work
10.00	3 x eight minute presentations by Saskatchewan, Ireland and Uruguay on the strengths and weaknesses of their current responsibility and accountability system from the whole system perspective
	Questions generated electronically
10.40	Refreshments
11.00	Plenary. Response to questions and discussion
11.15	Mixed cross-system groups to look in depth at the issues
12.30	Lunch
13.30	Plenary reflection and discussion
	2. How are we trying to make the change? The Leadership
14.00	Leading change across a system. What the evidence tells us. Beatriz Pont
14.30	Reflection
14.40	2 x eight minute presentations by Finland and Wales on the strengths and weaknesses of how their system leads change
	Questions generated electronically
15.00	Refreshments
15.30	Response to questions and discussion
15.45	"Imperfect Leadership" at system level. Steve Munby

- 16.15 Reflection
- 16.25 Role specific discussion groups with a focus on leadership
- 17.30 ARC talks
Pasi Sahlberg, Beatriz Pont, Mick Waters and Jelmer Evers
- 18.30 Close
- 19.30 Cultural offer and Gala dinner – the Oakdale Institute, St Fagan's Folk Museum <https://museum.wales/stfagans/>

Sunday 15 September

- 9.00 Summary of outcomes from Day One and Day Two
- 9.15 Plenary. Moving forward into a second phase of the ARC partnership
- 10.15 Refreshments and time to arrange bilateral meetings between summits
- 10.45 System to system consultancy and feedback
- 12.30 Plenary and review
- 13.00 Close