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Update

A genetic health service? Places for Gengage's first annual conference still available

The first annual Gengage conference will be taking place in Glasgow next month. Places are still available for this conference. Since last month's e-bulletin many more speakers have been confirmed. Plenary speakers include:

- Dr Mike Winter, Medical Director of National Services Division
- Peter Finegold, Director of Public Programmes at the Nowgen Centre for Genetics in Healthcare in Manchester
- Alastair Kent, Director of the Genetic Interest Group
- David Porteous, Professor and Director of the Molecular Medicine Centre
- Roland Wolf, Professor and Director of the University of Dundee's Biomedical Research Centre

More details are available on our website including information about how to register http://www.gengage.org.uk/page.php?id=7

Staff change

Friday 22nd May will be Hilary Osborne's last day as Gengage Network Officer. A new Network Officer will be coming into post shortly. In the meantime, you can continue to contact us using the usual methods -

genadmin@gengage.org.uk or 0131 651 4750

News

Nuffield Council on Bioethics consultation on *Medical profiling and online medicine: The ethics of 'personalised' health care in a consumer age*

The Nuffield Council on Bioethics is holding a public consultation on the ethical issues raised by online healthcare, telemedicine and commercial medical profiling technologies such as DNA testing and body imaging. The deadline for responses is 21st July 2009
http://www.nuffieldbioethics.org/go/ourwork/personalisedhealthcare/page_968.html

Funding opportunities

Scottish Government Science Engagement Grants

This year's Science Engagement grant scheme is now open, and the deadline for applications is 1pm on Friday 29th May 2009. For more details visit the Scottish Government website - http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/Business-Industry/science/16607/Scienceengagement/engagement-grants/current

Recent publications and resources

Perspectives on Education - Primary-secondary Transfer in Science

The 'Perspectives on Education' series is designed to provide education professionals with a selection of accessible and authoritative pieces of writing centred on current issues in UK science education.
http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/About-us/Publications/Reports/Education/Perspectives/index.htm

Events

Listed below are events taking place in May. Visit our website for further details http://www.gengage.org.uk/events.php

Taking Biology Forward

4th June, Stirling

Focusing on the Future - tomorrow's world of biotechnology

4th – 6th June, Dundee

Science and the public: uncertain pasts, presents and futures

13th – 14th June, Brighton

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17th June, Glasgow

Science Communication Conference

22nd – 23rd June, London

6th World Conference of Science Journalists

30th June to 2nd July, London