

Welcome to our FAQ pages for Dialogue for Peaceful Change. We hope this is helpful in your decision making to join this programme.

What is DPC?

Dialogue for Peaceful Change (DPC) is a global training programme developed by practitioners working in national and international conflict settings. DPC offers a practical toolkit and methodology for managing all aspects of conflict. DPC is a preventative training methodology, which covers four distinct areas of learning:

- 1. The Nature of Conflict participants experience a variety of activities, reflections and lectures, which enable them to consider their own understanding of their experience of conflict.
- 2. The Conceptual Framework and Models participants learn the key conceptual framework of DPC, which includes models, which locate and explore the drivers of conflict as well as the role of peace building and mediative behaviour.
- 3. The Tool Kit participants then learn a variety of tools, which will add to their previous knowledge and skill sets in order to enhance their work in conflict situations within the community, the work place and within their own social networks.
- 4. The Practice and Application The participants then have the opportunity to apply these new skills through intensive coached role-play on mediation scenarios that are real local conflicts, gathered from all regions in the world, and through identifying and recognising the need to build and strengthen existing or new patterns of intraand inter-agency cooperation.

The Method DPC is taught through discussion, dialogue, teaching, drawing on previous experiences and reflecting on lessons learnt. A great deal of our work together will be experiential and engaging... and fun.

What others have said:

"I find the DPC toolkit not only very useful in my everyday life but also when I deal with property conflicts. The main secret of DPC is in listening. One should avoid making judgements and putting words in people's mouths." Zimbabwean facilitator "On my way home after I followed the DPC Training I came across a conflict between a bus driver and a passenger. It was interesting that all the stages of mediation were practiced in a single meeting by me and the conflicting parties. Now whenever I see a conflict I feel my responsibility to play my role being member and facilitator of DPC." - Pakistani facilitator "I have always thought that transformation wasn't possible without blood. Now I think it might be possible." - Filipino facilitator

Trainers

Colin Craig and Jaap van der Sar will be the trainers. Both of them are seen as founders of DPC and both of them are internationally experienced DPC-trainers and coaches. Colin was, in his last job, Executive Director of Corrymeela. He has a vast experience working on local,



national and international conflict. Jaap was senior staff member of Stichting Oikos, Utrecht, the Netherlands. His experiences with DPC come mostly from the 'dialogue-side' of DPC.

When?

The training will happen from the $6^{th}-11^{th}$ of May 2018 at the Corrymeela Centre in Ballycastle, No. Ireland. The training will run from 6.30 pm on Sunday with getting to know each other until lunch on Friday the 11^{th} of May. The address is: The Corrymeela Community, 5 Drumaroan Road, Ballycastle, Co. Antrim BT54 6QU. Corrymeela is located in the North East of the Irish island.

Costs?

£1,075 for a shared room (€1,250)

£1,225 for single occupancy (€1,425)

Additional costs: transport shuttle return Journey costs from Belfast City or Belfast International Airport £70 (€82)

The above costs include full board and accommodation, full-time training from experienced facilitators and all training materials.

What is it like at Corrymeela?

Please click on our Welcome to Corrymeela Document. It is a wealth of information.

How can I get at Corrymeela?

We may provide a shuttle bus to bring you to Corrymeela and return you to the airport of your choice – please see booking form for additional costs. Public Transport is not consistent or recommended. A taxi from Belfast to Ballycastle is approximately £60.

When to register?

We ask you to register and make payment as soon as possible, we will fully refund your residential place if the training does not go ahead. Please do not book flights until we confirm that the training will take place. **All participants will be informed before the 1st of April 2018**. We require 12 participants to make the training vibrant and viable.

Any remaining questions?

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