**Churches' Refugee Network** 



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# Under the Radar - What Room for Refugees?

Churches' Refugee Network Conference 2014

### Saturday 5th April 2014

11.00am to 3.30pm (Registration from 10.30am)

#### Central United Reformed Church, Sheffield 60 Norfolk Street, S1 2JB

(5 minutes walk from Sheffield Station; NCP across the road)

£10; £5 unwaged, free for asylum seekers

#### Chair:

*Zrinka Bralo*, Executive Director, Migrants and Refugee Communities Forum, London; served as commissioner on Independent Asylum Commission; winner of 2011 Voices of Courage Award, New York.

#### Main speakers:

*Richard Vautrey*, NHS Leeds North, Deputy Chair BMA GP Committee, Vice-President of the Methodist Conference 2009.

Ruth Grove-White, Policy Director, Migrants' Rights Network.

#### Theological reflection:

*Fleur Houston*, minister of the United Reformed Church, currently writing a book for Acumen Press on: The Bible, Refugees and Asylum.

#### Workshops:

*Destitution:* Dave Smith (Boaz Trust Manchester) with input from ASSIST Sheffield (Asylum Seeker Support Initiative Short Term).

Housing: Chloe Morgan, Housing Resettlement Officer, Refugee Council.

*Health:* Joan Macfarlane, former manager of the Mulberry Practice which offers primary care services to asylum seekers living in Sheffield and a volunteer with ASSIST Sheffield.

*Campaigning:* David Price, South Yorkshire Migration and Asylum Action Group (SYMAAG) with Greg Challis, Committee to Defend Asylum Seekers, Sheffield (CDAS).

Legal Matters: Gina Clayton: visiting lecturer in law, Middlesex University; author of the definitive textbook on Immigration and Asylum Law; chair of ASSIST, Sheffield.

*Music* provided by the choir of the Christ Abiding Ministries (Hope of Glory Church) Sheffield.

The Conference is for Refugees and Asylum Seekers as well as for those who work on their behalf.

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## **BOOKING FORM**

Name	
Address	
phone	email
Organisa	tion/Project (if applicable)

Refreshments - hot drinks will be provided

*Lunch* - 'ethnic food' will be available (cost is not included in the conference fee - donations invited on the day).

Please tick if you would like lunch .....

Alternatively, please bring your own sandwiches (there are several sandwich bars nearby).

*Cost* £10; unwaged £5; free to refugees and asylum seekers

#### Workshops

Please indicate your preferred workshop choice by identifying '1st' & '2nd' choices:

Destitution
Housing
Health
Campaigning
Legal Matters

#### Booking

Please make cheques payable to the 'United Reformed Church Trust' and return with your booking form to:

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