

Pre-Conference:

Working Across Cultures - The Challenge for International School

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DATE: Thursday 1 March 17 **TIME:** 08.30 – 16.00 **VENUE:** Studio 2

	Agenda Item
08.30	STARTING THE CONVERSATION: Our Key Questions
	 How should we define the cultural communication challenge we face?
	 How is effective teaching changed by our cultural context?
	 How can we make our schools more culturally intelligent?
	 If international schools have a largely western perspective, is this a problem?
10.00	Coffee Break
10.15	UNDERSTANDING OUR OWN CULTURAL SOFTWARE: The Richard Lewis Communication Model
	Completing our own cultural communication profile
	Using the Culture Active platform
	How is our profile reflected in the way we work?
11.30	OK; SO WHAT CHANGES NOW?
	Discussion of different cultural disconnects in international schools and how we might help
12.30	Lunch
13.30	HOW DO WE MAKE OUR SCHOOLS MORE CULTURALLY INTELLIGENT? Mapping Culture to Learning
	Using the ISH online mapping tool
	 How can we use this tool to improve learning in our schools?
15.00	IF INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS HAVE A LARGELY WESTERN PERSPECTIVE, IS THIS A PROBLEM?
	 What does a lesson on women's rights look like in a culturally diverse classroom?
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16.00	CLOSE