



## International Development and the Diversity of Cultural Expressions

How can UK and Commonwealth approaches to development benefit from UNESCO's Convention on the Protection and Promotion of Diversity of Cultural Expressions (2005)?

**Thursday 6 November 2008**  
**Marlborough House**  
**Pall Mall**  
**London SW1Y 5HY**

- 2.00 pm      Welcome  
**Mark Collins**  
**Director, Commonwealth Foundation**
- 2.15 pm      Introduction: promoting the objectives of the Convention as an instrument for development  
**Holly Aylett**  
**Co-Director, UK Coalition for Cultural Diversity**
- 2.30 pm      Panel discussion with question and answer session  
**Chair: Mark Collins**
- The Convention and the role of the UK National Commission for UNESCO  
**Professor Alec Boksenberg**  
**UK National Commission for UNESCO**
- The Convention in European Union policy: facilitating creative exchange with developing countries  
**Ruth Hieronymi**  
**Member of European Parliament, Germany**
- Local government's role in promoting diversity of cultural expression and supporting the creative industries  
**Jennette Arnold**  
**Chair, London Assembly**

Meeting the challenge to protect and promote our Caribbean culture  
**Vynnette Frederick**  
**Caribbean Copyright Link, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines**

- 3.45 pm      Tea break
- 4.30 pm      **Roundtables: Putting the UNESCO Convention to work**  
Session divides into working groups
- 5.30 pm      Working groups report to plenary session  
**Chair: Holly Aylett**
- 5.50 pm      Concluding remarks  
**Carole Tongue**  
**Co-Director, UK Coalition for Cultural Diversity**
- 6.00 pm      Reception in the Blenheim Saloon
- 7.30 pm      End