

ASSOCIATION MONTESSORI INTERNATIONALE

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AMI Open Forum

12 – 14 April 2007, Amsterdam, The Netherlands

Agenda

Day 1 – Thursday, 12 April 2007, 10:00 to 18:00

- 1. Welcome and Opening Address**
André Roberfroid, President AMI
- 2. Overview of AMI's Strategic Planning and Call for Action**
Lynne Lawrence, Chair Human Resources Committee, Meeting Chairperson

Where are we as a movement?

Our current challenge:

- How do we continue the momentum of the Centenary?
- How do we organise and mobilise the Montessori Movement to support AMI's core mission?
- How do we see AMI's role in leading the Montessori Movement?

Intended Outcomes of AMI Open Forum:

- Where would we like to be as a Montessori Movement in 10 years and what steps could we take to reach these goals: 2017 GOALS AND ACTION PLAN.

- 3. Update on the Centenary of the Montessori Movement**
Megan Tyne and Louise Livingston, on behalf of the Centenary Steering Committee
 - Aims and Objectives
 - Process and strategies for achieving aims and objectives
 - Overview of major initiatives and what has been accomplished
 - Highlights from around the world
 - Parent Support Initiative
 - How do we continue the momentum
- 4. Open Forum Format and Structure**
Megan Tyne, Meeting Moderator Day 1

Format and structure over next three days:

Day 1: Group brainstorming around 5 key questions

Day 2: Group work to synthesize and consolidate insights from Day 1

Day 3: Report back to group and continued discussion around 2017 Goals and Action Plan

Ground rules for the meeting:

- Intention that something ambitious and challenging will come out of the meeting
- We will not talk about the past or dwell on our current limitations
- Positive
- Everyone has a contribution to make

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5. **Open Forum, 5 Key Questions**

We will spend approximately one hour in a round-table discussion brainstorming each question. Participants are also encouraged to prepare and submit written contributions in response to each question.

- Q 1.** If there were no boundaries or restrictions, where do we want the Montessori Movement to be in 10 years time? What are our aspirations and dreams? What will the Montessori Movement look like? What will its impact be?
- Q 2.** What are the challenges and obstacles facing the Montessori Movement?
- Q 3.** What is AMI's role in leading the Montessori Movement?
- Q 4.** What capacity, services, capabilities and resources will we need to carry out our leadership role and achieve the goals we envisage.
- Q 5.** How can we maximize the contribution of the various stakeholders and what steps can we take to harness the individual efforts of all those working for the Montessori Movement.

Meeting Schedule Day 1

10:00 – 11:00	Agenda Items 1 to 4
11:00 – 12:30	Question 1
12:30 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 14:30	Question 2
14:30 – 15:30	Question 3
15:30 – 16:00	Afternoon Break
16:00 – 17:00	Question 4
17:00 – 18:00	Question 5

Day 2 – Friday, 13 April 2007, 10:00 to 18:00

(Agenda and format for the Day 2 will be finalised after Day 1.)

Meeting Chair: Megan Tyne

Meeting Moderators: Megan Tyne and Louise Livingston

Intended Outcomes of Day 2:

- Preliminary draft of 2017 Goals
- Preliminary draft of Action Plan to achieve 2017 Goals
- Preliminary draft of any other recommendations that emerge from the Open Forum
- Discussion of mechanisms to continue ongoing collaboration and communication between all the stakeholders of AMI
- Discussion of mechanisms to continue ongoing collaboration and communication with all the stakeholders of the Montessori Movement



Day 3 – Saturday, 14 April 2007, 10:00 to 12:00

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks
Lynne Lawrence, Chair Human Resources Committee, Meeting Chairperson
2. Summary of Day 1 and Day 2
3. Presentation of draft 2017 Goals for the Montessori Movement
4. Discussion
5. Presentation of draft Action Plan
6. Discussion
7. Presentation of any other recommendations that emerged from Day 1 and Day 2
8. Discussion
9. Suggested mechanisms for ongoing communication and collaboration
10. Discussion
11. Next Steps
12. Closing Remarks
André Roberfroid, President AMI

The conclusions of the Open Forum will be presented to the AMI Board for review on Sunday, 15 April 2007.