

Literacy, Marginalisation and Inequality: dialogue towards programmes for equality



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Taylor Room, John Adams Hall
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Helping 'marginalised' people to access the literacy practices and skills they need to improve their social and economic conditions has long been an aim of international organisations, including BALID. Following the production of working papers on these issues for DFID (www.dfid.gov.uk), BALID will be hosting a seminar that addresses the location of such literacy work in the wider debates about marginalisation and inequality. The seminar anticipates two forthcoming activities in this field – the new Global Monitoring Report on 'Marginalisation' being produced by UNESCO Paris (www.unesco.org) and the conference on 'Literacy Inequalities' at the University of East Anglia (<http://www.uea.ac.uk/ssf/literacy-conference-09>). Participants in both projects will be attending. It is expected that attending this seminar will enable us all to keep up to date with work in this field, sharing experience amongst practitioners, policy makers and researchers and hearing from leading exponents. Those attending should, we hope, then be better prepared to engage in the forthcoming debates about improving access to literacy and be better able to contribute both to practice and to policy.



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Speakers

Bryan Maddox *University of East Anglia*

Bryan Maddox is a social anthropologist working on literacy, language and education in South Asian contexts. He has undertaken fieldwork in Nepal and Bangladesh, and has strong interests in inter-disciplinary work in education linking anthropology and economics. His current research interests are the links between literacy, human capabilities and wellbeing. Bryan is co-director of the Masters in Education and Development at the School of Development Studies and is an organiser of the UEA conference.

Juliet McCaffery *BALID and University of Sussex*

*Juliet has a long history of working in the field of literacy as a practitioner both in the UK, and as a consultant to overseas programmes in the Middle East and Africa and also the Republic of Ireland. Her book *Developing Adult Literacy* co-authored with Juliet Millican and Juliet Merrifield has recently been published by OXFAM. She has also had articles published on literacy and conflict resolution and a variety of teaching materials. She is currently researching the marginalisation of Gypsies and Travellers in the UK.*



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