Energizing social inclusion through youth-produced media: a networking and knowledge sharing conference

Wednesday, March 2, 2016 — 5:00-10:00 p.m.
Fordham University — Lincoln Center Campus
113 West 60th Street at Columbus Avenue, Manhattan
Lowenstein Hall – 12th Floor Lounge

Energizing social inclusion through youth-produced media will spotlight positive outcomes of including and encouraging youth production of media in formal and informal educational settings.

Jordi Torrent, Project Manager of the Media Literacy Programs of the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC), will coordinate the conference with Lewis Freeman from Fordham University’s Department of Communication and Media Studies.

The conference will provide an opportunity to showcase and discuss youth-produced media and the work of youth media organizations. Topics to discuss include:
• How is media production an educational, social, and emotional empowerment tool for youth?
• Should media production and media literacy be included in formal educational settings? How?
• How do social media affect young people’s understanding of the world?
• How can youth-produced media serve as tools for inter-cultural dialogue?
• What role do ethics play in youth-produced media?
• What challenges do youth-produced media encounter in distribution?

The tentative schedule for the event is:

5:00-5:45 p.m. Screening of Syrian youth-produced videos in Jordanian refugees camps. Followed by a discussion with Laura Doggett

5:45-7:15 p.m. Roundtable discussion with representatives of
The Educational Video Center, The Media Spot, BYkids, Global Nomads Group, and Tribeca Film Institute.
Moderated by Michelle Ciulla Lipkin, National Association Media Literacy Education

7:15-7:45 p.m. Screening videos awarded at PLURAL+ Youth Video Festival on Migration, Diversity & Social Inclusion - Presented by Jordi Torrent, UNAOC

7:45-9:00 p.m. Roundtable discussion with representatives of
Global Kids, Cartwheel Initiative, Texas A&M Univ-Media Rise, The Lamp and Scenarios USA.
Moderated by David W Kleeman, Dubit Limited & Children’s Media Association

9:00-10:00 Reception.

This event is open to the public at no charge.
To reserve a seat, please RSVP by writing at http://milunesco.unaoc.org/contact-us