

PRECONFERENCE EVENTS

WORKSHOP A

Friday 20th October: 9.00 - 10. 45

Continuing the dialogue: Report from the 1st Global Assembly for Knowledge Democracy

With members of ARNA (Action Research Network of the Americas)

Annual ARNA-CARN Pre-Conference Workshop

In June 2017 more than 450 action researchers, participatory action researchers, scholars, students, and concerned citizens from around the world gathered in Cartagena, Colombia for the 1st Global Assembly for Knowledge Democracy, sponsored by ARNA, CARN, ALARA, and a large number of other organizations. Using a dialogical method for examining a variety of themes related to the global democratization of knowledge and the potential role of action research in knowledge dissemination for social range, participants worked at round tables throughout the day and ended the event with a circle of sharing in which emerging ideas and commitments to action were shared. At the 2017 CARN Conference in Crete, some participants and organizers of the Global Assembly will share their thoughts regarding what took place at the Cartagena gathering and will introduce new initiatives that are emerging from the assembly. We offer this as a workshop to facilitate participation in the emerging democratization of knowledge. Those of us who were present at the Global Assembly do not have all the answers to the immense global challenges we face as a planetary community. What we are interested in is creating open spaces in which far ranging as well as small and action-oriented conversations can take place based on a commitment to respecting all forms of knowledge, including world views and epistemologies of non-western societies and indigenous peoples, but in particular knowledge produced by participatory means that lift us up past the knowledge monopolies of the past in which only elites had a voice in policy making and the non-scientific cognition of ordinary people were marginalized and neglected.

Come join the circle in Crete. Η δημοκρατία της γνώσης για την κοινωνική πρόοδο!

Workshop Facilitators:

Lonnie Rowell, Joe Shosh, Ruth Balogh, Una Hanley, Mary McAteer, Thomas Stern

WORKSHOP B

Friday 20th October: 11.00 - 13.00

A long journey together: Supervision in postgraduate research

With members of the CARN Co-ordinating Group

The aim of this workshop is to provide a forum for discussing the processes of postgraduate research supervision. It is principally for post-graduate researchers but supervisors are also welcome to join. Its focus is on our experiences, aiming to deepen our insight into the processes of supervision.

The workshop will be in three parts with a break for refreshments:

- Panel: CARN Co-ordinating Group members introduce themselves and set the scene
- Small group discussions facilitated by C G members
- Plenary and feedback

The workshop is dedicated to the memory of our inspirational colleague and friend Professor Kath Green, long-time CARN colleague and former book reviews editor of EARJ whose PhD thesis explored the supervision process as action research.