



GFTU & IER

Sunday Night Special



with Ruskin College
Northern College National Institute
of Adult Education
and Global Labour Institute

Transforming Lives: Involving the Young

Speakers:

Dami Bembow, *Young Mayors' Network*
Dara Farrell, Vice Chair, *British Youth Council*
Joe Mann, *UNITY*

Sunday 9th September
Following Conference
(7.00 pm)

The Old Ship Hotel
Paganini Room
Kings Road
Brighton BN1 1NR



Fish and Chip Supper
Live Band via Musicians Union
Refreshments

with the United
Campaign for the Repeal
of anti trade union laws

Days of Action: Protesting Against Austerity

Speakers:

Keith Ewing, *IER President*
John Hendy QC, *Chairman*
Len McCluskey, *UNITE*
Chair: Carolyn Jones

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RSVP essential to secure your supper. Email Annette@gftu.org.uk or cad@ier.org.uk

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At the 2012 TUC Congress, the GFTU and IER are coming together for the first time to host a joint event at the Old Ship Hotel in Brighton. Combining the traditional GFTU Sunday night reception with the well established IER fringe, the event will start as the first day of Congress ends on Sunday evening. Both organisations will first host separate events in two adjoining rooms before joining together for a joint social event with live music and a fish and chip supper. The concept of bringing together the IER's fringe meeting and the GFTU's social may be new, but the issues are all too familiar.

The **Institute of Employment Rights** will be launching their publication ***Days of Action: the legality of protest strikes against government cuts***, written by IER's President and Chair respectively, Prof. Keith Ewing and John Hendy QC. In the run-up to the mass demonstration on 20th October, how much further could union action go in protest against austerity cuts? Len McCluskey, UNITE will join the platform to outline UNITE's line of resistance.

At the same time, the **General Federation of Trade Unions** will be inviting dynamic young speakers to examine the challenges facing young people in today's society. With youth unemployment devastatingly high, how can trade unions and educationalists engage with the next generation? And what benefits will better engagement bring to the trade union movement?

And as the refreshments are being served, the GFTU will launch its new journal ***Viewpoint*** – the first edition of which includes a powerful collection of articles looking at alternative economic strategies, with articles from economists, trade union activists as well as a report following a recent delegation to Greece.



The evening will continue with a fish and chip supper, refreshments and live music provided by the Musicians Union.

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