

Hello

Thank you very much for your interest in the conference "Making Global Civil Society" in Lancaster in November! We hope you are still planning to attend, and that you will participate passionately in the discussions.

If you would like to do so, please reply to this email with the following information:

\* Your full name (or pseudonym).

\* Accommodation needs: do you need (i) a room; (ii) a bed; (iii) floorspace; or (iv) will you arrange shelter yourself? We are hoping to be able to organise a common space for sleeping, so that discussions and chit chat can take place until the small hours if desired - would you like to stay in such a space (this will be a floor, mat, sleeping bag situation)?

\* Any (other) special needs? (The food will be vegan and predominantly organic)

You can find more information and a tentative programme on this wiki:

<http://knowledgelab.pbwiki.com/>

The gathering is supposed to be a *\*collaborative\** event, breaking down the borders between presenters, consumers, and organisers. We thus encourage self-initiative in any constructive direction.

The general idea is that the presenters (two, three, or more per session) *\*ignite\** discussion and reflection of the particular theme of each session. This means that the presentations will be *\*short\** (10-15 mins max. each) so that everybody can participate in the reflections. The presenters will not be sitting at one end of the room with the "audience" at the other - hopefully we can create circles in each of the rooms we have available, and presenters will be dispersed in the round like everybody else.

Each session is "required" to provide feedback to a plenary session, in order that we can all follow everything to some extent and to practice knowledge federation and sharing. Each session will organise their own Note-takers and Feedback-givers.

We encourage you to contribute not only to the reflections but also to the whole process of the event.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you here in November! And please do not hesitate to get in touch with any questions or suggestions you might have about anything at all.

cheers,

nina & the rest of the collective behind (counter)knowledge lab.