

TIME	WORKSHOP	CONTENT	SUGGESTED AUDIENCE
3.00 - 4.00	- C - Starting a refugee business or organisation.	Seminar leader Ram Gidoomal CBE came to the UK as a refugee, and later started an organisation in London to help refugees into work.  This seminar considers how refugees can overcome the obstacles to entering full-time, fairly paid, permanent employment and maximise their potential.	- Refugees who might want to start a business - Refugees who might want to start any kind of organisation or charity - UK business people - Potential mentors / supporters
4.00 - 5.00	- D - Rebuild - daring to return and rebuild	Some refugees are returned to their countries and want to help rebuild after conflict. Others get British citizenship and want to help in the same way. This seminar looks at stories of those who dare to return and rebuild and how they can best be supported.	- Asylum seekers who might return to their country - Refugees - UK citizen refugees who would like to help rebuild their countries - Overseas NGOs - UKBA, IOM, Home Office - Refugee support organisations

**Cost /** The events are FREE to you - without obligation. However, there will be ways of making donations during each event, for ICN's work with refugees and to cover the cost of holding the event. There will be a small charge for food.

**Venue / Life Centre @ 711 - 715 Wimborne Road, Moordown, Bournemouth BH9 2AU**  
(There is no parking on site, so please arrive early and find parking in local side roads)

**Registration /** We would like to have some idea of how many people will be attending each event, for catering and preparation purposes. Please complete the attached form and return to:

By post: 10th birthday, ICN, 200 Holdenhurst Road, Bournemouth BH8 8AS,  
or email: [info@icn.org.uk](mailto:info@icn.org.uk) with the same details, or call reception on 01202 589395



# BUILDING EMPOWERED COMMUNITY

Wednesday 9th February 2011  
From 11am

*"Give me **BREAD** and I will feed my family today."*

*"Give us a **BAKERY** and we will feed our community forever."*

You are invited to join the Bournemouth Refugee Community & International Care Network for a day of celebration, networking, training and envisioning, to celebrate the 10th birthday of ICN & 10 years of refugees arriving.

## FROM SUPPORTED LIVES TO EMPOWERED COMMUNITIES

*This event is for all : refugees, charities, statutory bodies, faith groups, businesses, etc*

**9.30 - 11am / EQUIP** (*Enabling Christians in Serving Refugees*) will be holding their own workshop for Church Leaders of churches which support refugees.

**11.00 - 12.30pm / VILLAGE STANDS** (*exhibition*), seminars + events.

- Exhibition of culture, history and refugee stories from Kurdish, Afghan, Russian, Zimbabwean and Iranian communities.
- Workshops – see opposite
- Children's activities

**12.30 - 1.15pm / LUNCH** : Lunches from community groups (*buffet*)

**1.15 - 2.00pm / KEYNOTE SPEECH**

'From Supported Lives to Empowered Communities' *by Ram Gidoomal CBE*

**2.00 - 5.00pm / VILLAGE STANDS** (*exhibition*), seminars + events

Exhibition, Workshops & Children's activities as above

**7.00 - 10.00pm / INTERNATIONAL MUSIC & DANCE** (*No alcohol celebration*)

An evening of Music, Celebration & Dance from Bournemouth Refugee Community Groups & ICN – with finger food/ snacks.



**Ram Gidoomal CBE** came to Britain from East Africa as a refugee in 1967. He is an entrepreneur and former United Kingdom Group chief executive of the Inlaks Group. Ram is chairman of Winning Communications Partnership, South Asian Concern, Citylife Ltd., The Office of the Independent Adjudicator for Higher Education, a Board Member of the International Justice Mission, an External Member of the Audit and Risk Committee of the UK Equalities and Human Rights Commission, a Council Member of the United Kingdom Evangelical Alliance and chairman of the steering group of the South Asian Forum of the UKEA...

... He is on the Advisory Board of the Institute of Business Ethics and Hendersons Global SRI Advisory Committee. He is Patron of Employability Forum which helps refugees and asylum seekers to find employment and was a member of the Home Office/UKBA Complaints Audit Committee (2005-2009). Ram was a founder chairman of the Christmas Cracker charity. He was the leader of the Christian Peoples Alliance and ran as their candidate for London Mayor and Assembly in 2000 and 2004 gaining just under 100,000 votes in each election. He is a motivational public speaker, frequent media commentator and author. He is a governor of Kings College School, Wimbledon and serves as chairman of the Lausanne Resource Mobilization Working Group. He is married to Sunita and has three children and four grandchildren.

## WORKSHOPS

Training, discussion, learning for all

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<b>11.30 - 12.30</b>	- A - <b>Alpha Project</b> – working with young unaccompanied asylum seeking children.	Following on from the November 2010 joint event with the Refugee Council, Paiwand (Afghan Association), and ICN, this seminar explores a new model of caring for and developing unaccompanied asylum seeking children, as has been piloted by ICN over the last 2 years.	Anyone working with UASCs : - Social workers - Educators - Refugee organisations - Solicitors - Key workers/ care workers
<b>2.00 - 3.00</b>	- B - <b>Refugee Community Building</b>	A seminar for refugees to explore the possibilities for developing community groups and to consider: - Do we want to move more from an informal to formal community group? - What does a community group do? - Do we need a paid worker, building and money? - How might we use electronic networking? - We have a community group – how can we develop it further?	- Refugees - Asylum seekers - Refugee support organisations - Community building officers

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