



## **Let's Talk across languages, cultures and outlooks**

### **A Public Roundtable**

The roundtable will mark the close of the international CCPIII Cross-cultural Pragmatics at a Crossroads Conference organised by the School of Language and Communication Studies at the University of East Anglia (26-28 June 2013) on the theme of *Impact – Making a Difference in Intercultural Communication*.

The event will celebrate the partnership between the UEA, its local host community, and communities beyond by bringing together representatives of all parties to share their perspectives on the challenges of communication across and between languages and cultures ([click here for information about the topic of cross-cultural and intercultural communication and our research](#)).

It is one of a recurrent set of activities on the same theme run by the School of Language and Communication Studies in the context of its *Norwich City of Interculture* public engagement programme, including the first *Let's Talk* Public Roundtable in 2011 and our interactive events at the Norwich Forum in February 2012 (<http://www.uea.ac.uk/lcs/city-of-interculture>) and May 2013.

**Let's Talk** is open to the public and will involve representatives from local providers of education, community, cultural and other services, invited to contribute to the debate about issues central to community relations in our world today. The media will also be invited, both to play an active part in the roundtable and to help us disseminate it.

**Let's Talk** will be chaired by the eminent locally born sociolinguist and UEA Honorary Professor Peter Trudgill and set in motion with contributions by seven panel guests, all with a close interest in intercultural communication:

- Joe Ferrari, Head of Media Norwich City FC ([http://www.canaries.co.uk/club/key\\_people/](http://www.canaries.co.uk/club/key_people/))
- Louise Gooch, Policy Officer for the Strategic Migration Partnership (<http://www.eelga.gov.uk/campaigns-and-projects/strategic-migration-partnership.aspx>)
- Makiko Mizuno, public service and community interpreter from Japan and our panel guest of honour (<http://www.uea.ac.uk/lcs/research/news-and-events/makiko-mizuno>)
- Toyin Onabowu from ACAS (Advisory, Conciliation and Arbitration Service) (TBC) (<https://obs.acas.org.uk/>)
- Nikki Rotsos, Head of Communication and Cultural Services, Norfolk City Council (TBC) (<http://www.norwich.gov.uk/YourCouncil/Pages/CityCouncil.aspx>)
- Gordon Turner, volunteer with the region's Citizen's Advice Bureau (<http://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/>)
- Phil Wood, Adviser to the Council of Europe and urban therapist and writer (<http://philwood.eu/>)

Recordings of the roundtable will be posted on our website and disseminated by various other means, including other 'Norwich: City of Interculture' events organised by the School of Language and Communication Studies over the coming months.

***When and Where*** - Friday 28 June, 12.30-14.00 followed by refreshments, Thomas Paine Study Centre, University of East Anglia, Norwich