

## 42<sup>nd</sup> COBIS Annual Conference Programme

*Louder Than Words*

Draft Programme – subject to change

Saturday 11 May 2024

Time (UK time)	
15:00-16:00	<b>Pre-registration (collect delegate bags and badges)</b>
18:30-21:30	<b>Welcome Reception and Dinner</b> The Ivy City Garden

Sunday 12 May 2024

Time (UK time)	
08:15	<b>EXHIBITION OPENS</b>
09:00-09:25	<b>Welcome and Opening Remarks</b> <i>Colin Bell, CEO</i>
09:25-10:25	<b>PLENARY SESSION – Setting the Scene</b> <i>Introductory session including student contributions and video provocation (Serdar Ferit, CEO, Lyfta), facilitated by Jim Knight, The Rt Hon Lord Knight of Weymouth, COBIS Chair</i>
10:30-11:05	<b>Exhibition and Break</b> <i>Informal meet-up: New School Members, New Heads, and First-Time Conference Attendees from schools are invited to an informal meet-up with members of the COBIS Board</i>
11:05-12:10	<p><b>MORNING BREAK OUT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Culture is Caught as Much as it is Taught [interactive]</b> <i>Vanita Uppal OBE, Director and Sneh Wadhwane, Assistant Principal, Teaching and Learning, Primary School, The British School New Delhi</i></p> <p><b>Building a Strong Professional Culture in your School [presentation]</b> <i>Cat Scutt, Deputy CEO, Chartered College of Teaching</i></p> <p><b>Making Space for Creativity [presentation]</b> <i>Dr Steven Berryman, President, Chartered College of Teaching</i></p> <p><b>Navigating the New Normal: Understanding and Addressing GenAI's Impact on Student Behaviour and Social Dynamics [presentation]</b> <i>Daniel Emmerson, Academic Affairs Lead, Goodnotes and Rebecca Mace, University College London</i></p> <p><b>AI at the Helm: A New Leadership Paradigm [presentation]</b> <i>Matthew Wemyss, Assistant School Director, Cambridge School of Bucharest</i></p> <p><b>Shaping the Future of Education: The Role of Governance in Challenging Schools to Commit to Meaningful Action [panel]</b> <i>Panel chaired by Dr Helen Wright, Former Chair of Governors, British School of Amsterdam (chair); Sanam Yaqub, Chair of Governing Body, Hartland International School; Taheer Saiyad, Board Member, St Julian's School; Diana Vernon, School Governor and Educational Advisor, Kellet School, The British International School in Hong Kong; Bonnie Ricci, Executive Director, International Council Advancing Independent School Accreditation</i></p> <p><b>Self-Coaching: Actions Speak Louder Than Words [interactive]</b> <i>Dr David Porritt, Director of Karen Ardley Associates and Principal of BBIS</i></p> <p><b>So You Want to be a Head of School? Energy, Passion and a Desire for Change [interactive]</b> <i>Joe Berwick, Head of School, Royal School in Transylvania</i></p> <p><b>Who You Are is How You Lead: Workshop for New, Aspiring and Experienced Heads [interactive]</b> <i>Kai Vacher, Principal, British School Muscat and Janette Quinn, Director of Education and Professional Learning, COBIS</i></p>

	<b>How Leaders Can Realistically Influence Wellbeing within their Teams [interactive]</b> <i>Jo Osman, Academic Deputy Headteacher, Tanglin Trust School</i> <b>Best Practices in Wellbeing and Pastoral Care [panel]</b> <i>Nadim Saad, Founder, The Happy Confident Company (Chair); Francis Retter, Headteacher, British Junior Academy of Brussels; Glenn Moodie, Principal, Kolej Tuanku Ja'afar; John Maguire, Executive Headmaster, British School of Bahrain</i>
12:10-13:10	<b>LUNCH WITH EXHIBITORS</b> <i>(Lunchtime exhibitor showcase: Beyond Websites: Finalsite's Comprehensive School Engagement Solutions, Liz Allen and Scott Delleville, Finalsite)</i>
13:10-14:10	<b>PLENARY SESSION – Fixing Human Education...for the AI Age</b> <i>Conrad Wolfram, CEO, Wolfram Research</i>
13:15-14:00	<b>ConnectedED for Exhibitors and Supporting Associates</b>
14:20-15:20	<b>AFTERNOON BREAK OUT SESSIONS</b> <b>Standards in Action: Values and Leadership in your school [interactive]</b> <i>Facilitated by the COBIS Accreditation Team</i> <b>Empathy Before AI: The Human Skill Shift Crucial to Successful Education Redesign [interactive]</b> <i>Ed Kirwan, Founder and CEO, Empathy Studios and Empathy Week and Richard Charlesworth, Principal, ISG Sara Village School</i> <b>Stigma and Relationship Building in a Multi-Cultural Work Environment [interactive]</b> <i>George Peterkin, Managing Director, Mind Your Health</i> <b>Future Leaders of Vision 2030 [panel]</b> <i>Q&amp;A with panel students, chaired by Jeremy Newton, Senior Principal, MiSK</i> <b>Leading Impactful Climate Change Together [presentation]</b> <i>Christine Özden, Global Climate Change Education Director, Cambridge University Press &amp; Assessment</i> <b>Governance: A Sector-Wide Challenge [interactive]</b> <i>Russell Speirs, Founder &amp; Chairman, and Keith Clark, Head of International Leadership Appointments, RSAcademics</i> <b>Child Protection &amp; Wellbeing in International Education: Legal and Cultural Dimensions and Power Dynamics [interactive]</b> <i>Katie Rigg, Director of Higher Education Services &amp; Student Well-being, CIS</i>
15:20-15:50	<b>EXHIBITION AND BREAK</b>
15:50-16:55	<b>PLENARY SESSION – Louder Than Words – Schools in Action</b> <i>Naheed Bardai, UWC Atlantic; Will Goldsmith, Bedales; Claire Fletcher, Phoenix House International School; Tom Duckling, Aiglon College; chaired by Natasha Hilton, Park House English School</i>
16:55-17:00	<b>Round-Up, Thank You and Close</b>
17:00-18:00	<b>Wine Reception with Exhibitors</b>

Monday 13 May 2024

Time (UK time)	
08:15	<b>EXHIBITION OPENS</b>
09:00-09:15	<b>WELCOME</b>
09:15-10:00	<b>PLENARY SESSION – Creating a Winning Mindset</b> <i>Maggie Alphonsi MBE, Rugby World Cup winner, commentator, and speaker</i>
10:00-10:20	<b>PLENARY SESSION – International Schools in 2024: Trends and Data in a Growing Market</b> <i>Leigh Webb, CEO, ISC Research</i>
10:20-10:55	<b>EXHIBITION AND BREAK</b>

	<b>Informal meet-up:</b> An informal meet-up with members of the COBIS Accreditation team (for schools that have been through, are working towards, or are considering COBIS Accreditation, Peer Accreditors, and Lead Improvement Partners).
11:00-12:10	<p><b>MORNING BREAK OUT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Educating Future Leaders about the Natural World: The Making of BBC's Natural History Landmarks [presentation]</b> <i>Mike Gunton, Executive Producer and Creative Director, BBC</i></p> <p><b>Sustained DEIJ Transformation: Lessons from A Multi-Year Initiative [presentation]</b> <i>Aanchal Jain, DEIJ Consultant, DSB International School</i></p> <p><b>Beyond Rhetoric: Actualising DEI in International Schools Through Inclusive Hiring and Promotion [presentation]</b> <i>Angie Browne, Being Luminary</i></p> <p><b>Self-Knowledge is Key [interactive]</b> <i>Rod Grant, Managing Director, Anthony Millard Consulting</i></p> <p><b>Pre-IB – Autonomy, Agility and Empowerment. Life Without External Assessment in Key Stage 4 [presentation]</b> <i>Daniel Ibbitson, Teaching and Learning Manager, The English College in Prague</i></p> <p><b>Passion Pathways: Alternative Routes for IB Students Who Need Time to Innovate [interactive]</b> <i>Tomas Duckling, Deputy School Director, Aiglon College</i></p> <p><b>Empowering Leadership: Mastering Metacognition for Organisational Excellence [interactive]</b> <i>Stephanie Holt, Director of Learning and Teaching, DSB International School</i></p> <p><b>OECD Schools+ Network Research Update [panel]</b> <i>Panel of contributing COBIS schools, chaired by Janette Quinn, Director of Education and Professional Learning, COBIS</i></p> <p><b>150 Years The Same: The Future of the Classroom [interactive]</b> <i>Guy Collins-Down, Chief Operating Officer, Alleyn's School</i></p> <p><b>Creating Thriving Spaces to Improve Cognition, Wellbeing and Learning Outcomes [presentation]</b> <i>Adam England, Director, Noble &amp; Eaton</i></p> <p><b>Global Leadership in Early Years Education: Embracing the Present for Student Success [interactive]</b> <i>Micaela Da Rocha Afonso Ventura, Head of Primary, DSB International School</i></p> <p><b>Global Competency and International Mindedness in the Early Years: Little People and Big Ideas! [interactive]</b> <i>Laura James, International Curriculum Co-Ordinator (Early Years), ICA</i></p>
12:10-13:05	<b>LUNCH WITH EXHIBITORS</b>
13:05-13:25	<b>PLENARY SESSION – COBIS Partnership Update</b>
13:25-14:10	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION – Time to Transform</b> <i>Dr Sally Uren OBE, CEO, Forum for the Future</i></p>
14:15-15:15	<p><b>AFTERNOON BREAK OUT SESSIONS</b></p> <p><b>Moving forward with Metacognition: Building Student Awareness and Agency in Learning [presentation]</b> <i>Kate Erricker, Assistant Director, Curriculum, Nord Anglia Education</i></p> <p><b>Empowering Future Leaders: Coaching Strategies for Increased Student Agency [interactive]</b> <i>Jeni Dellman, Head of Primary, British School Muscat</i></p> <p><b>Navigating University Pathways [panel]</b> <i>David Tongue, Principal, Doha College (chair); Becka Horsley, Customer Success Partner – International, UCAS; Catalina Powell, Global Director, THE Counsellor; Jenna Ahn, Co-Founder, Millie Group; Jacqueline Amos, Head of Study Services, UK Visas and Immigration</i></p>

	<p><b>How to Raise Generation C – Generation Climate Change [presentation]</b> <i>Barna Barath, Founder, REAL School Budapest</i></p> <p><b>Beyond Words: ESG in Action [presentation]</b> <i>Garry Russell, Head of College, Dulwich College Shanghai Pudong</i></p> <p><b>Engaging Deep Listening: A Transformative Approach to Fostering Growth and Development in School Communities [presentation]</b> <i>Ruth Sanderson, Principal, The British School of Amsterdam</i></p> <p><b>Transformation in Tough Terrain [presentation]</b> <i>Zeba Clarke, Deputy Head, St Paul's School, Brazil</i></p> <p><b>How W.E.I.R.D. is your School? [presentation]</b> <i>Angela Hollington, Head of School, ICS Paris and Francesca McGeary, Co-founder, Centre for Educators of Bilingual and Multilingual Learners</i></p> <p><b>Leadership and Inclusion: The Importance of Embedding Positive Attitudes towards Autism in Schools [interactive]</b> <i>Members of the Autistic Young Experts, facilitated by Emily Niner, Head of Strategic Partnerships and Projects, Autism Education Trust</i></p> <p><b>Professional and Personal Challenges facing School Leaders Internationally [interactive]</b> <i>Olivia Roth, Director of School Evaluation &amp; Development Services, CIS, and Fiona Cottam, Principal, Hartland International School</i></p>
15:15-15:40	<b>EXHIBITION AND BREAK</b>
15:40-15:55	<b>PLENARY SESSION – Louder Than Words – Committing to Action</b>
15:55-16:30	<p><b>PLENARY SESSION – One Voice</b> <i>Dominic Ellis-Peckham, Conductor, Presenter, Educator</i></p>
16:30-16:40	<b>THANK YOU AND CONFERENCE CLOSE</b>
18:45-19:30	<b>42<sup>nd</sup> COBIS Annual Reception</b>
19:30-22:00	<p><b>42<sup>nd</sup> COBIS Annual Dinner</b> <i>Formal dress: Black tie and national dress optional</i> <i>Drapers' Hall</i></p>