

## ACC Fact Sheet

ACC has a voice and observes in a number of platforms and organisations.

# (D) Platforms

*We take part in hearings, consultations and conferences within our field. E.g. in the context of EU or the Council of Europe. We are members of some permanent platforms and associations as well ...*

### 1. Association for World Education (AWE):

The Association for World Education is an international, non-governmental, voluntary organization of individuals and institutions who believe that learning about ourselves and our communities is most effective and satisfying, when education reflects an awareness of our intimate relationship to the world as a whole. The members have joined together to practice better what they believe.

The AWE is founded around 1970, and it has chapters and associates all over the world. ACC is a European associate.

AWE has a consultative status in the UN. There are three representatives all from the AWE New York branch for the time being; Hans Spiegel, Richard Conolly and Marjorie Sorensen. Around every fifth year an AWE World Council takes place. The ACC has a seat in the Council. The activity level of AWE globally is rather scarce. It is at the branch level activity take place. A more accurate description of the AWE is probably that it is a network of alternative educators.

Check it out at: <http://www.awe-international.com>



### 2. European Association for Education of Adults (EAEA):

EAEA is a European Non-Governmental Organisation whose purpose is to link and represent organisations from all European countries that are primarily engaged in adult education.

EAEA has 120 member organisations in 41 countries working in the field of adult learning. We usually take part in the Annual General Assembly that is usually linked up with a seminar on a current issue within the field of adult learning.

As a transnational organisation the ACC is an associate. It means we do not have a right to vote at the Assembly, but we can take part in the discussions and share information, rumours and networks with a lot of organisations.



### 3. European Civil Society Platform for Life Long Learning (EUCIS):

The EUCIS LLL is the platform for NGO's dealing with educational affairs in Europe. The platform is a partner and a voice for the EU-Commission, especially for the DG education, training, culture and multilingualism.

EUCIS pays particular attention that European Education policy develops as including matters of intellectual and civic emancipation as well as personal fulfilment.

The EUCIS organises regularly public hearings on educational matters - often in Brussels.

Check the brochure at <http://www.acc.eu.org/SEEEMS/3922.asp>



**NEW CONCLUSION (from 2006/7):** We would like to give members better opportunities to take part, when ACC is invited for conferences and hearings as well as observer roles within the upon mentioned bodies. This would as well save some money, if and when members live closer to the venue than board members. We should (f) find out, who of members are willing to be considered included in our "corps of messengers".