

# “25 Years On: the Development of Health and Welfare NGOs in the BEARR region”

The countries BEARR deals with: Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Turkmenistan, Tajikistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan

**Venue:** CAN-Mezzanine, 32-36 Loman Street, London SE1 0EH

## Conference Programme

### *9.00 Registration and coffee*



### **9.30 Welcome and Introduction**

Robert Brinkley, Chairman, BEARR Trust



### **9.45 OVERVIEWS**

Chair: Robert Brinkley

Dr Eleanor Bindman, Post-doctoral Fellow,  
Queen Mary University of London



Elena Topoleva, Director, Agency for Social  
Information (ASI), Moscow

### *11.00 Coffee*



### **11.30 STAYING THE COURSE: evolution and survival**

Chair: Michael Rasell, BEARR Trustee

Anna Garchakova, Belarusian Children's  
Hospice, Minsk



Arkady Tyurin, Director, 'Put Domoi' (The  
Road Home), St Petersburg

### *12.30 Buffet lunch*



### **13.45 EMBRACING CHANGE: new directions, new mechanisms**

Chair: Marcia Levy, BEARR Trustee

Anna Bitova, Center for Curative  
Pedagogics, Moscow



Nino Dvalidze, Vice-Rector of Ilia State  
University, Tbilisi; Director of its Child  
Development Unit



### *14.45 Tea*

### **15.15 NEW DIRECTIONS: technology, format and funding**

Chair: Robert Scallon, BEARR Trustee

Charles Buxton, INTRAC, Bishkek

Yaroslav Minkin, STAN, Ukraine



### **16.15 Concluding session:**

Chair: Nicola Ramsden, BEARR Trustee

## **16.30 Close & Networking Reception**

Participants are invited to stay after the conference to enjoy a glass of wine and further opportunities for networking