

## About the EDF

EDF's network includes a broad range of organisations working on all aspects of equality, diversity and human rights. For an up-to-date list of members visit [www.edf.org.uk](http://www.edf.org.uk) and click on **Members**.

EDF has an elected chair (Sarah Spencer CBE) and Chief Executive (Amanda Ariss). It is supported by charitable and European Commission funding.

## How to get involved

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### Equality and Diversity Forum

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## Equality and Diversity Forum

**The Equality and Diversity Forum (EDF) is a network of organisations committed to equal opportunities, social justice, good community relations, respect for human rights and an end to discrimination based on age, disability, gender and gender identity, race, religion or belief, and sexual orientation.**

EDF promotes understanding and consensus across a wide range of voluntary, public and private sector organisations, enabling them to improve the services and support they can offer to their members and to the general public.

It is a respected and influential leader in the field, an essential source of information, and a centre for analysis of current equality and human rights issues and their implications.

Find out more at [www.edf.org.uk](http://www.edf.org.uk)

## **The Equality and Diversity Forum's objectives are...**

- Eliminating all forms of discrimination
- Educating and raising awareness about equality and human rights
- Promoting good relations between people of diverse backgrounds
- Creating public understanding and support for equality and human rights

## **What the Equality and Diversity Forum does...**

- Promotes dialogue and builds trust and working relationships between organisations and individuals working on equality and human rights
- Helps member organisations deliver better services to their users and the public
- Disseminates current information and new ideas to a growing audience
- Provides information resources and learning opportunities for individuals and organisations working on equality and human rights
- Speaks with and on behalf of its member organisations on areas of common concern and consensus
- Provides a supportive environment in which to discuss competing rights and differences of view
- Contributes cutting-edge analysis to help speed up progress toward greater equality

## **...and how it does it**

- Holds regular meetings of members and observers for dialogue on current issues
- Provides a wide range of information to a large and growing audience through its electronic newsletter and website
- Commissions research and holds regular seminars and conferences
- Provides support for the All Party Parliamentary Group on Equalities
- Raises shared concerns about the delivery of equality and human rights with policy makers

## **What the Equality and Diversity Forum has helped to achieve...**

- A better understanding of the multiple dimensions of equality and diversity for victims of discrimination and their advisors
- Improved legal protection for people who experience inequality or abuse of their human rights
- The creation of a space for a diverse range of equality and human rights organisations to work together effectively
- A stronger shared voice for the not-for-profit equality and human rights sector