The Griffith Institute for Educational Research, Griffith University would like to invite you to the Learning and Social Change seminar:

**Education for Peace Building and Sustainable Development: Delusion, Illusion or Reality?**

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**Abstract**

What role can education and schooling play in contributing to a just, equitable and peaceful world, where there is sustainable economic and social development? Such initiatives as Education for All, Education for Sustainable Development and the Millennium Development Goals provide a useful foundation for action, however they are not sufficient without giving greater attention to devising concrete ways of promoting peace building, through means such as lifelong learning, skills development for employability, and education research, in the light of political realities.

**Friday 12 September**

6.00pm – 7.00pm
Level 5 Seminar Room, M10 Social Science Building, Research Precinct, Mt Gravatt campus

**The doors open at 5.30pm.** Guests are welcome to join us for refreshments prior to the seminar. Places are limited, so please book early to avoid disappointment.

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