



IFCO

Looking back  
Looking forward

Attendance fee: £40;  
Pensioners/unwaged and students: £20;  
IFCO Members: Free

Friday 6th December 2019  
at the  
Foundling Museum, Brunswick Square, London

## Looking back, looking forward: 40 years since the first international conference on foster care

**9.00** All participants receive complimentary admission to the Foundling Museum prior to the beginning of the seminar.

**10.30** Registration and refreshments

**11.00** **Welcome**  
*Danielle Douglas, President of IFCO*

**11.05** **Deinstitutionalisation, children's rights and alternative care in Europe**  
*Jana Hainsworth, Secretary General, Eurochild*

**11.30** **Looking back, looking forward, changes, challenges and the future of foster and kinship care**  
*Jackie Sanders, External Relations Manager, The Fostering Network*  
*Lucy Peake, CEO, Grandparents Plus*  
*David Graham, National Director, The Care Leavers Association*

**Morning session chair** *Jo Derrick, CEO, Staf (Scottish Throughcare and Aftercare Forum), IFCO Board member*

**13.00** Lunch

**14.00** **Improving foster care to meet the needs of children and young people in care**  
*Billie-Jo McDowell, IFCO Youth Member and social worker*

**14.20** **Facing the future for foster and kinship care: IFCO's global perspective**  
*Danielle Douglas, President of IFCO*

**14.45** **Political possibilities and challenges for improving the lives of children in care**  
*Earl of Listowel PhD (C.H), Crossbench Peer and Vice-Chair of the All Party Parliamentary Group for Looked After Children and Young People and Care Leavers*

**15.15** **Close of seminar**

**15.30** Networking and refreshments



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