"Celebrate Diversity: Together We Make Our World Complete"

This Early Learning conference is a collaborative event between Child Care in Practice journal, the Early Years Organisation and the Pasco Hernando Early Learning Coalition. 

**Jillian van Turnhout** is a leading children's rights advocate and a former Senator. In 2015, Jillian secured a legislative ban on corporal punishment of children in all settings. In her 5 year term in Seanad Éireann, Jillian spearheaded a number of legislative changes to ensure children have a voice and place in Irish law. Jillian is currently Chair of Early Childhood Ireland.

**Paul Connolly** is Professor of Education and Dean of Research for the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences at Queen’s University Belfast. He is internationally recognized for his research on: diversity and inclusion in early childhood; programme evaluation; and quantitative research methods in education.

This international conference includes a Live Link-up with the Early Learning Coalition of Pasco Hernando, Florida featuring presentations from **Siobhan Fitzpatrick, Early Years Organisation, Lynne Peyton, Child Care Consultant and Ernest Hooper, Tampa Bay Times**

**Date:** Saturday 15th October

**Time:** 09.15 – 16.00

**Venue:** Canal Court Hotel, Newry

**Cost:** This event is priced at £20 per delegate (approximately €25). To book your place please visit our Eventbrite page: [here](#)

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