



Building trust across the world's divides

Initiatives of Change UK

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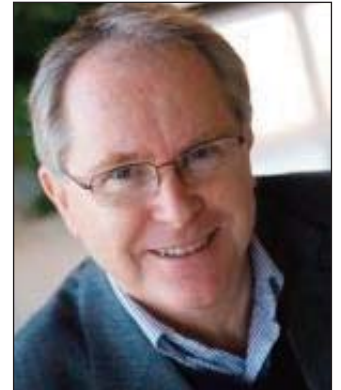
Rob Corcoran

founder of Hope in the Cities USA

will speak at a Greencoat Forum in London on

Trustbuilding – an American perspective

on Tuesday 1 November 2011 at 7.00pm



Following the street riots in British cities last August, Rob Corcoran will speak on his years of experience of creating 'honest conversation' dialogues on issues of race, reconciliation and responsibility in US cities.

Corcoran has facilitated dialogue, reconciliation, and partnerships among diverse and polarized racial, ethnic, and religious groups in an array of locales in Europe, South Africa, India, Australia, Brazil, and the United States. He helped create a dialogue guide for President Clinton's race initiative. He is the US national director of Initiatives of Change and founder of America's Hope in the Cities movement, which works for just and inclusive communities among people of different socio-economic backgrounds and provides training for community leaders to build partnerships across traditional barriers.

He is the author of ***Trustbuilding: an honest conversation on race, reconciliation, and responsibility*** (University of Virginia Press). The book is part historical narrative and part handbook for a model of dialogue and community change that has been adopted nationally and internationally. At its centre is the story of how Richmond, Virginia, a former slave market and capital of the Confederacy, has become a seedbed for interracial dialogue and trustbuilding with national and international implications. He and his family have lived in Richmond for 30 years. His book has been reviewed as 'a visionary and compelling account of healing and change'.

Corcoran will speak at the end of his week-long tour of engagements in British cities, including Nottingham, Bradford and Liverpool. Copies of his book will be on sale.

**The Greencoat Forums
towards an inclusive society**

**Tuesday 1 November 2011
at 7.00pm**

**The Initiatives of Change centre
24 Greencoat Place, Victoria
London SW1P 1RD**

Refreshments from 6.30pm; talk at 7.00pm, ending 9pm. Entry is free but space is limited to 100.

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