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Dear all,

We hope you are well. We would like to take this opportunity to update with some exciting things our colleagues have shared with us.

Times Higher Education in conversation: Confronting racism in universities

Time and Date: 14:00 on 19th June 2020

Register here

Description: Three experts on decolonisation, institutional racism and the legacy of slavery in higher education will discuss how universities can make good on their public support of antiracism protests.

Virtual Coffee and Conversation

Christina Lazzeroni alongside a few students is organising a late-afternoon coffee and conversation online event to discuss BAME related topics. There will be a guest speaker introducing each topic with a guest panel to answer questions from the students. The date is yet to be finalised however if you are keen to help out with the event (even suggesting names for the panel members) then do get in touch with Christina here.

Get involved

Adam Ledger in Drama and Theatre Arts is planning a project and would like those who work in economics, history of industrialisation/commercialisation, and/or colonialism to get in touch. You can contact Adam here.

CASE Multi-Cultural Network Community and Next Meeting

The CASE Multi-Cultural Network challenges the Diversity, Equality and Inclusion issues in the Education Advancement sector and supports individuals from multi-cultural backgrounds to progress into leadership positions. The network is an inclusive group of CASE members and if you are interested in getting involved, we welcome you to join the new CASE Multi-Cultural Network Community, where you can continue the conversation and share links, advice and resources. Please do also forward on the link to the community to any interested colleagues, all CASE members are welcome to join. We will also be holding our next meeting of the network on Wednesday 15th July online from 10.00am – 12.00, which you can register for here.

Public Letter from Evan Ifekoya at Goldsmiths on Twitter

https://twitter.com/evan_ife/status/1272456549215211521

Old Joe Magazine Call for Stories

Old Joe provides a mix of stories — University highlights, nostalgia, research features, alumni profiles and much more. As the first edition to be sent since we launched the Birmingham In Action campaign, it will also prominently feature the campaign. If you are new to Old Joe, here is the <u>digital edition from Spring 2020</u>.

All content suggestions are welcome and we are looking especially for **four types of stories**:

1. Stories of what alumni, students, researchers and staff did to help when COVID-19 struck

- 2. Stories of how our researchers, staff, students and alumni are taking action about the issues arising from Black Lives Matter
- 3. Stories to bring the Birmingham In Action campaign to life, reflecting that we will be one year on by the time this edition lands on doormats
- 4. Human interest stories unrelated to those above, with a long shelf life eg families of graduates, alumni helping others, campus romances, those with top tips to share. We particularly welcome suggestions that reflect the diversity of our alumni and student communities.

Contact <u>Becky Thornton</u> by Wednesday 24th June with your ideas and as much information as possible.

Many Thanks

Natasha Nelson Co-Chair, BAME Staff Network