

# Global Education Conference Descends on Kwa Zulu Natal

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UK-based charity Teach A Man To Fish has announced the venue for their annual conference on sustainable education and entrepreneurship in schools. Teach A Man To Fish has been working with schools in South Africa since 2011. Its committed collaboration with the provincial Ministry of Education in Sectors: Kwa Zulu Natal started in 2014. Growing from 60 rural and peri-urban schools in 2014, 288 schools registered for the organisation's 'School Enterprise Challenge' in South Africa in 2015. Students in these schools have set up school enterprises such as recycling waste, school snack shops and beaded jewellery making, generating profits of up to 7,000 ZAR in 3 months. Participating students (85% female on average) reported gaining new skills and experience such as how to plan and set up a business, work as a team and having increased confidence and life aspirations.

The conference host, LIV School, on the outskirts of Durban aims to provide increased access to and quality care through education and health care; and stimulate healthy cognitive development of vulnerable and orphaned children and impoverished communities at LIV Village and in the surrounding communities. The school was chosen as the host of this prestigious conference and will open its doors to delegates between the 30th of November and the 2nd of December 2016.

The conference will spark debate amongst local and foreign delegates surrounding the future of sustainable and innovative approaches to education by drawing on examples and models from around the world. CEO of Teach A Man To Fish said of the conference, "This is a great opportunity for South African educators, innovators and those who believe in sustainable school models and teaching practice to bring their experiences to the table and learn from other experts from all over the world. It's going to be a brilliant 3 days of discussion, learning and collaboration. We are very excited to be taking the conference to Kwa Zulu Natal this year!"

South African residents can register for the discounted rate of 1,800 ZAR which will include 3 lunches, 2 dinners and conference entrance over the 3 days. If participants reserve accommodation in one of the partner hotels listed on the website they will receive a discounted rate. For information on how to register visit: www.educationthatpaysforitself.org

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#### About Teach A Man To Fish

Teach a Man to Fish is an international non-profit organisation that promotes entrepreneurial schools in developing countries. The organisation's goal is to make a long-term impact on global poverty by supporting education projects that give young people the skills to care for themselves. In order to do this, it uses the financially self-sufficient school model to teach entrepreneurship and livelihood skills.

This model allows schools to generate additional income, which improves their financial sustainability and teaches them work skills that they can utilise in the future. In addition, the model encourages schools to offer a more relevant and higher quality education that provides students with the capabilities to successfully manage their own businesses. For more information visit

www.teachamantofish.org.uk.

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