

# The 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary world conference of the International Play Association



Advance notice

## Playing into the Future – surviving and thriving

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International Play Association –  
promoting the child's right to play



The national organisation for children's play

# Playing into the Future – surviving and thriving

How do we create a future where playing is valued and where every country and neighbourhood upholds all children's right to time, freedom and a safe enough environment for playing in their own way?

The 18<sup>th</sup> conference of the International Play Association offers four days to share evidence, experience and examples of good practice with colleagues from around the world.

Contributions are welcomed from a range of disciplines and policy backgrounds that have an interest in, or an impact on, playing children and young people - for example, education, health, play provision, youth provision, urban design, and planning.



**1<sup>st</sup> call for abstracts**

**1 June 2010**

**Deadline for abstract submission**

**10 November 2010**

**I'll be there**

Please register an interest to ensure that you are included in the call for abstracts:

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## Themes

### Play -

#### Individual and Social

- Play and adaptation, healing, resilience, risk, social wellbeing, emotional literacy, and learning
- Play deprivation, bias and extremes
- Play and identity
- Play and the playwork approach
- Play and the reflective practitioner

### Play -

#### Environment and Space

- The environment, space and time within which playing occurs – is promoted or inhibited – whether planned by adults or not - indoor, outdoor, virtual, urban or rural
- Providing for children and young people's drive to create risk
- The influence physical and emotional environments have on play

### Play -

#### Society and Culture

- Play and policy making
- Freedom to play and the structures of society and communities – social divisions, material divisions, mobility and inequality
- Play cultures and folklore
- Playing, ethnography and children's geographies
- War, conflict and play

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