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Study Centre news

Since the last edition of *Intercom* was published, a number of Study Centre-related activities have taken place. While, unfortunately, the inaugural unit of the proposed Study Centre link with the Galaxy Schools **India** was not offered in August as originally planned, it is hoped that it will be possible to offer the first India-based unit of our programme later in the year: further details of our plans can be obtained by contacting Philippa Wheeler or Mary Hayden at CEIC.

Brussels

We were, however, delighted to be able to establish our newest Study Centre at the International School of **Brussels** (see front page story) and, following preliminary visits to meet staff in Brussels during June and August, the first unit was offered in October. Our next unit planned for Brussels is *Education in an International Context*, which is planned for February 2004.



Groupwork at Brussels Study Centre, October 2003

Düsseldorf

Currently being finalised are plans for our **Düsseldorf** Study Centre at the International School of Düsseldorf, where it is planned to offer the *Education*, *Globalisation and Change* unit during June 2004: as ever,

thanks are due to Beatrice Larose for her efficiency and organisational skills in our link with ISD.

The Netherlands

A recent edition of Intercom described the setting up of a link in the Netherlands with the Dutch International Secondary Schools (DISS). This link continues to strengthen, with the first cohort (pictured on the front page of Intercom No 16) now well on the way to completing their Advanced Certificate in Education. After a successful week spent in Bath during July 2003, participating in a unit and also visiting the John Bentley School in Calne, Wiltshire (a school promoting international education within the context of the national system in England), Cohort 1 also spent a week in October with Mike Fertig in Leiden, planning the Extended Essay which follows successful completion of their two units.

Mary Hayden and Jeff Thompson also visited Leiden during October to lead an orientation session for Cohort 2 participants who have now been identified, and who are poised to begin their first unit in the Netherlands in January 2004. Mary and Jeff in discussions participated potential areas of collaboration with colleagues at the University of Leiden. As part of the collaboration with Fieldwork Education integral to this project, Jim Laing has spent time with Cohort 1, planning and following up other visits to international schools in October and November. Current issues under discussion with colleagues from DISS (Jaap Mos, Theo Brok and Jos van Elderen) include the nature of the existing link, and the possibility of extending it to participation by teachers allow administrators from other, non-DISS, schools in the Netherlands: if you might be

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in the Netherlands: if you might be interested in this possibility, let us know.

Bangkok

As this edition of *Intercom* goes to press, Mike Fertig is packing his bags to travel to Bangkok, where the next unit to be offered through our now well-established Study Centre at the New International School of **Thailand** (NIST) will be *Managing International Schools*. A further unit of our programme is also planned for NIST during May 2004: details to be finalised shortly. This November unit will be the last to be coordinated by Doug Edwards at NIST before he hands over to another NIST colleague in order to find time to concentrate on his MA dissertation – so thank you once again to Doug for all his help and support over the past few years.

Lesotho

Our next Africa-based unit will be *Evaluation*, due to be taught at Machabeng College, International School of **Lesotho**, between 23 and 26 January 2004. This Study Centre is now one of our most well established, and we value both the link with colleagues from Machabeng and from the Maseru English Medium Preparatory School across the road, and the help and support provided by Sally Pumford as our Study Centre coordinator.

As always, participation in any of the units offered through Study Centres is open to anyone eligible to participate in our programme who is able to find themselves in the right place at the right time. Further details can be obtained by contacting Philippa Wheeler at CEIC. Further details can also be obtained of tentative plans currently under discussion to open Study Centres in **Indonesia**, **Singapore**, **Colombia** and **the Netherlands** (as noted above) – if you, and/or

your colleagues, might be interested in participating, do get in touch!

STUDY CENTRE DATES

Plans for 2003/2004 currently include the following:

15 - 18 November 2003

New International School of Thailand, Bangkok

Managing International Schools

23 - 26 January 2004

Machabeng College, Lesotho

Evaluation

February 2004

International School of Brussels

Education in an International Context

May 2004

New International School of Thailand, Bangkok

Details to be confirmed