

Investing in Our Languages

Symposium at the House of Lords

13 July 2009

- 14:00 Welcome address**
Baroness Jean Coussins Chair of the APPG on Languages
- 14:05 Introduction**
Kathryn Board OBE Chief Executive, CILT, the National Centre for Languages
- 14:10 The European perspective**
Leonard Orban EU Commissioner for Multilingualism
- 14:25 Our Languages Project**
Sarah Cartwright Programme Manager of the 'Our Languages' Consortium
- 14:30 Research on bilingualism and complementary schooling**
Dr Charmian Kenner Lecturer in Educational Studies, Goldsmiths, University of London
 and **Professor Li Wei** Professor of Applied Linguistics, Birkbeck, University of London
- 14:40 Testimony on complementary school education**
Kelly Badwal Executive Director, Children & Families, ContinYou
- 14:45 Short introductions from the panel**
 Chairperson... **Professor Itesh Sachdev** Director SOAS-UCL Centre of Excellence in Languages of the Wider World
 Panellist 1 **Leonard Orban** EU Commissioner for Multilingualism
 Panellist 2 **Baroness Jean Coussins** Chair of the APPG on Languages
 Panellist 3 **Nick Johnson** Director of Policy, Institute of Community Cohesion Futures Institute
 Panellist 4 **Dr Terry Lamb** Senior Lecturer in Education, University of Sheffield
 Panellist 5 **Sunny Hundal** Editor of *Asians in Media* ezine
 Panellist 6 **Zahrah Mostaque** Prime Minister's Global Fellow, 2008
- 15:00 Question writing**
- 15:10 Panel discussion**
- 16:10 Reflections**
Dr Lid King National Director for Languages
- 16:20 Closing remarks**
Kathryn Board OBE Chief Executive, CILT, the National Centre for Languages
- 16:30 Afternoon tea at the London Marriott Hotel, County Hall**

