

EUROPEAN YEAR OF EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL



2007 — European Year of Equal Opportunities for All

2007 has been designated 'European Year of Equal Opportunities for All'. The aim of the Year is to launch a major debate on the benefits of diversity for European societies with a focus on:

- Rights -** raising awareness of the right to equality non-discrimination, and the problem of discrimination.
- Representation -** stimulating the debate on ways to increase participation of under-represented groups in society, in particular groups that are victims of discrimination.
- Recognition -** celebrating and accommodating diversity and equality.
- Respect -** promoting a more cohesive society.

2007 also sees the establishment of the Commission for Equality and Human Rights (CEHR) which will focus on building a solid foundation for policies and services to create fairness and freedom for all, in a society that is more at ease with its diversity.

Equality is not only about minorities. A more equal Britain would be a better Britain: more prosperous, more humane, more cohesive and fairer.

ITEC North East is totally committed to encouraging, valuing and managing equality and diversity for all staff and learners. We will comply with all legislation and will strive to ensure that equality and diversity is promoted throughout all of our activities.