



TCK Forum

Family matters in cross-cultural mission

Who is it for?

Staff of member agencies, service agencies, churches, schools, parents and ex-mission partners who are concerned with the welfare of Third Culture Kids (TCKs). TCK is the term used to describe anyone from anywhere who has spent time growing up overseas.

What is its focus?

The forum's main focus is to help and encourage in the care, education and training of Third Culture Kids. It also provides one-day family-orientated events (details of next one needed) to help parents and children who are considering or committed to living and working overseas. Link members such as Re-Konnect run various summer camps for TCKs aged 6-18 to aid return to the UK after a period of growing up overseas.



What issues have we covered recently?

- 'Debriefing' for children on home leave and re-entry
- Children in restrictive societies
- Investigation procedures in child protection
- Family support from first application to adulthood

When do we meet?

The forum usually meets once or twice each year, but there are also separate training events. The forum is also closely linked to the European TCK Network. With Eurotck being planned for next year (28th March – 1st April) there will be no autumn event this year.

Who is on the planning team?

The Chair is Steve Bryant (WEC International). Other members include Marion Knell (Global Connections), Jane Showell-Rogers (Global Connections), Janet Chapman (OMF), Stephen and Yolanda Jerrard (New Tribes Mission), Fran Cruse (CMS) and Gill Cheffy (Wycliffe UK).



[Forum events](#)

Find out more about the next TCK Forum events and TCK holidays



[Forum papers](#)

Information related to the TCK forum



[TCK Guidelines](#)

Guidelines for developing policies and procedures for families and children serving overseas



[Member Care Guidelines](#)

Guidelines for good practice in Member Care

If you would like the Core Group to help you think through your TCK care, including policies and procedures, please contact

Jane Showell-Rodgers using the 'more information' link below.

Relevant Links:

External Websites

- [Access the Euro-TCK website](#)

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