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IATEFL Global Issues SIG

Open Forum – GISIG track day
Glasgow IATEFL 2017







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Who are we?

What do we do?

Why global issues?

What are our plans?



True or false? – find out ...

1. Several members of GISIG have **started ELT-related NGOs**.
2. We have GISIG members from more than **4 continents**.
3. GISIG members teach in many **different contexts**: children, teens, adults, state schools and colleges, private EFL schools, universities, refugee camps etc.
4. Several GISIG members have **written teaching materials** using global issues.
5. GISIG members think we should bring **all global issues into all classes**.
6. GISIG members all agree that we want to help **make the world a better place** for all, and that we think this is possible through teaching English.

All true ... except

... number 5 – there are, of course, many global issues we need to be careful and sensitive about, especially in some teaching contexts, and with some learners





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Who are we?:

GISIG committee:

Jules and Linda – Joint Coordinators

Laszlo – web coordinator

Stella – newsletter editor

Julie and Leo – events coordinators

Gergő – social media coordinator

Bill and Iqbal – Discussion List

James – Cinema Inspirations

Advisory committee: Dennis, Wolfgang and Margit

Vacancy: Issues Month Coordinator





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What do we do?:

GISIG Budget: a solvent SIG with £7775 in reserve funds

GISIG recent activities and plans:

- Website: Special Days, e-Lesson inspirations, Cinema Inspirations, low resource support for teaching in difficult circumstances, links to materials
- Webinars: LGBTQ / Clothes / Songs / Grammar
- Publishing: 'Why Global Issues?' & 'A-Z of Global Issues' (Academic Study Kit) – author proceeds to GISIG-related projects supporting teachers of refugees
- Conferences: GISIG forum at APPI, Lisbon / PCE at Brighton IATEFL 2018 + Projects >>>



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- Projects:

supporting African Tas – joint project with TESOLFrance; curriculum for English app for refugees; Books for Gaza?;

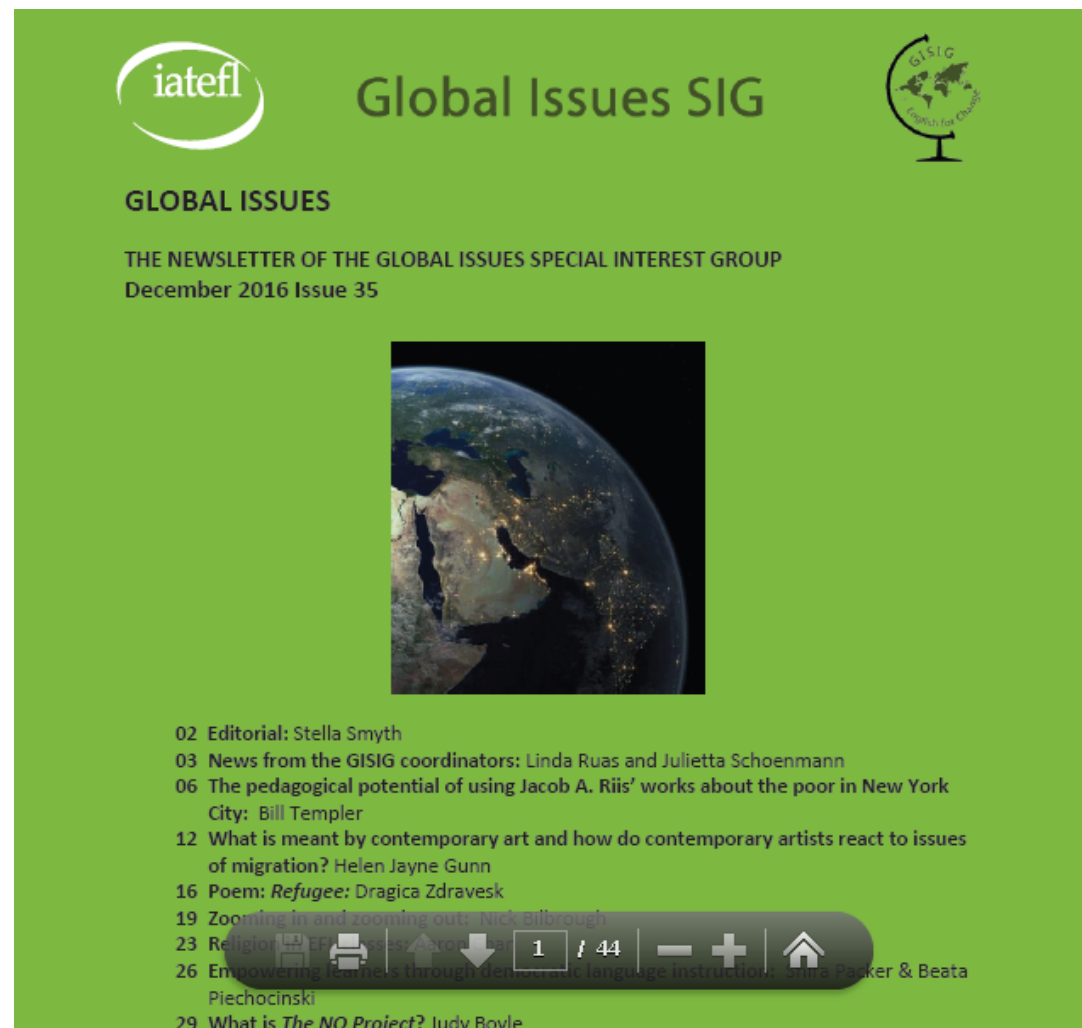
refugee camps in Greece:

We are Here Centre <http://weareherecentre.org/>

The No Border School

<http://www.noborderschool.com/>

GISIG Newsletter 2 x year:
email Stella Smyth with contributions:
end of April and end of October







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Suggestions ...

- What would you like to see GISIG do?
- How would you like to work with us?





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together!**

Any questions?