



Sent: April 21, 2009

Subject: Register Now for the July NO BETTER TIME National Conference

We are about 10 weeks away from the start of the [No Better Time](#) conference, hosted by the Democracy Imperative and the Deliberative Democracy Consortium. The conference will take place in Durham, NH at the University of New Hampshire from July 8-11, 2009.

We are writing to ask you to do two things:

1. **REGISTER NOW!** The early-bird registration rate (\$250) ends on April 30 - so register now! After April 30, registration is \$300.
2. **SPREAD THE WORD!** We need your help in spreading the word about the conference. Please cut and paste the essential information about the conference, include a personal note, and send to your colleagues and networks:

What: No Better Time: Promising Opportunities in Deliberative Democracy for Educators and Practitioners.

When: July 8-11, 2009

Where: Durham, New Hampshire (UNH)

Who: Academics, practitioners, educators = people interested in deliberative democracy.

You can also visit our conference website and download our [conference e-postcard](#) which you can share with your colleagues and networks.

The conference is being organized around "**Learning Exchanges**" - thoughtful discussions about key challenges in deliberative democracy hosted by leading scholars and practitioners. There are over 50 [learning exchanges](#) currently planned and here is a sampling of a few of the topics:

- Beyond the timid university: Rethinking academic professionalism to renew the democratic potential of college campuses.
- Political theory or practice? How political science and government departments help strengthen democracy.
- Students as catalysts for change.
- And justice for all: Just how serious are deliberative democracy practitioners and scholars about social, political, and economic justice?
- Embedding deliberative practices in local democracy.

