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# Young leaders learn to better our world

Two hundred and fifty young people who have demonstrated good leadership abilities across the globe in different fields of life came together in Dublin this week to discuss how to better our world.

The first Albert Schweitzer Leadership for Life programme is being organised by youth development organisation Foróige, and focuses on understanding responsibility, awareness, interpersonal and communication skills development. The initiative also aims to enable its young participants to develop their confidence for effective leadership in the future.

We believe that this could not have come at a better time. Since the world changed last September with the economic downturn, the international community has prayed for true leadership.

This is why we see the Dublin conference as a direct challenge to the current crisis, among other significant problems including gross violations of human rights, drugs and disintegration of family structure.

There is a great opportunity for these future leaders to truly engage with these questions and full scale of societal difficulties, some of which – like the worldwide recession – have no easy solutions.

*Metro Éireann* urges all the participants to use the opportunity offered by this conference to begin drafting their future plans for leadership, and to speak openly about them. After all, it surely won't not be too long before they have the opportunity to lead for real.

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