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### **New conference aims to make a difference in the Christian charity sector**

A new conference is being planned by a partnership of Stewardship, Spring Harvest, Global Connections, Evangelical Alliance, Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP and ACEA (African & Caribbean Evangelical Alliance).

Aiming 4 Excellence is designed for chairs, trustees, chief executives, finance directors, HR directors and senior executives of Christian charities and aims to give input on best practice and governance. The conference will also look at the place of faith within such organisations and consider how this should affect the way they operate.

Aiming 4 Excellence will take place at the Hayes Conference Centre in Swanwick from Monday 1 to Wednesday 3 October 2007 and will include input from General Sir Richard Dannatt, Chief of the General Staff\*, Dame Suzi Leather, Chair of the Charity Commission and Maeve Sherlock, Chair of a Government Advisory Panel on the Third Sector.

Alan Johnson, Chief Executive of Spring Harvest commented “Spring Harvest exists to equip the church for action and this is a new way in which we can fulfil that mission. We’re thrilled to be able to welcome speakers from such a diverse range of backgrounds and we’re sure that the input they give will have a lasting effect on the UK Christian charity sector in the coming years.”

Prices start from £147 inclusive of programme, accommodation, meals and refreshments. A discount of £20 per person is available for smaller organisations subject to terms and conditions.

A brochure is available and a website can be found at [www.aiming4excellence.org.uk](http://www.aiming4excellence.org.uk)

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#### **Notes for editors**

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- Aiming 4 Excellence is delivered by a partnership of Spring Harvest, Stewardship, Global Connections, Evangelical Alliance, Anthony Collins Solicitors LLP and ACEA (African & Caribbean Evangelical Alliance) and is administrated by Spring Harvest. Information on all the partner organisations can be found at [www.aiming4excellence.org.uk](http://www.aiming4excellence.org.uk)
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