

## **YOUNG GLOBAL CITY LEADERS: BUILDING AN EVIDENCE BASE IN LONDON, NEW YORK AND TORONTO TO SUPPORT THE NEXT GENERATION OF SCHOOL LEADERSHIP INNOVATION**

### **Year 1 Policy Leader Interview Protocol**

- Can you describe your current role?
- How does your role fit within the organisation in which you work?
- Can you tell me about the organisation you work for?
  
- What would you say are the current policy trends around educational leadership in your jurisdiction?
- How would you describe the context within which school leaders are currently practicing in LON/TOR/NYC?
- How does this compare with the rest of the country/province/state?
  
- What is unique about leading a school in LON/TOR/NYC?
- What attracts someone to be a school leader LON/TOR/NYC?
- How much of this is related to the urban/city context?
- Is the role of a school leader changing? In what way(s)?
  
- What would you say were the predominant accountability demands currently facing school leaders in LON/TOR/NYC?
  
- What do you see as the greatest challenges faced by schools leaders in LON/TOR/NYC?
- Would you say any of these challenges are unique to LON/TOR/NYC?
- What kind of things does your organisation do to support school leaders in dealing with these pressures?
  
- We are looking specifically at school leaders from Generation X (under 38 years old). Do you have any observations of this cohort in relation to their leadership style and experience?
  
- As well as age/generation we are also interested in issues of gender, ethnicity, nationality, technology and work/life balance. Have you observed any of these factors as having an effect on the leadership practice and style of this cohort?
  
- What are your initial thoughts on our research?
  - Strengths
  - Weaknesses
  - Areas of interest we might think about exploring
  
- Are there any areas of mutual interest/benefit that we could explore during our research to help you and/or your organisation in any way?
- Is there anyone else you think might be interested in our research and that you believe we should be engaging with?
- Do you know of any young leaders who fit our profile and who would be interested in being involved in this research?