



**November 23-25, 2018**

*International Conference on Migration, Integration  
and Religion in Early Childhood Educational Institutions*

**Zagreb, Croatia**

**Under the Patronage of the Ministry of Science and Education of the Republic of Croatia**

## **PROGRAM**

**Friday, 23th November 2018**

*Location: Hotel International – Dvorana Adriatic*

- 16.00 ● **Registration**  
*Welcome coffee & snacks*
- 17.00 ● **Opening Ceremony**  
*Welcoming words: Dinka Marinović Jerolimov and Ednan Aslan*
- Keynote I:**  
**DRAGO ŽUPARIĆ-ILJIČ**  
*From selective immigration to burdened integration:  
Current challenges in the EU(ropean) migration and asylum system*
- Keynote II:**  
**VEDRANA SPAJIĆ-VRKAŠ**  
*Binding freedom, migration and education together in Europe  
in times of human rights post-optimism*
- 18.30 ● **Conference Dinner at Hotel International**

**Saturday, 24th November 2018**

*Location: Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb – room 223*

- 09.00 – 10.10** ● **SESSION I**  
**EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS AND THE EDUCATION SYSTEM**  
*Moderation: Zvi Bekerman*
- 09.00 – 09.20 ● **Integrating refugee children into pre-school services**  
*Helen Penn, England*
- 09.20 – 09.40 ● **Muslim Migration as a challenge for Europe**  
*Nausikaa Schirilla, Germany*
- 09.00 – 10.00 ● **NGOs perspectives on integration of refugee and asylum-seeking children in the early educational system in Croatia**  
*Lana Peternel and Dinka Marinović Jerolimov, Croatia*
- 10.00 – 10.10 ● **Panel Discussion**
- 10.10 – 10.30 ● **Coffee break**

10.30 – 11.40

**SESSION II:  
DEVELOPMENT OF SOCIALISATION IN EARLY CHILD EDUCATION**

*Moderation: Friedrich Schweitzer*

10.30 – 10.50

**Refugees in Spain and legal challenge**

*Juan Ramon Ferreiro Galguera, Spain*

10.50 – 11.10

**The role of socialization processes and 'cultural concepts'  
in cooperation with parents of migrant backgrounds  
in institutions of early childhood education**

*Leonie Herwartz-Emden, Germany*

11.10 – 11.30

**Promoting intercultural discourse at the level of early education**

*Irinela Nicolae, Romania*

11.30 – 11.40

**Panel Discussion**

11.40 – 12.00

**Coffee break**

12.00 – 13.10

**SESSION III:  
CONFLICT, MIGRATION AND EDUCATION**

*Moderation: Ina ter Avest*

12.00 – 12.20

**Negotiating identities and culture in integrated educational settings:  
the case of Palestinian and Jewish Israelis**

*Zvi Bekerman, Israel*

12.20 – 12.40

**Interreligious education – on the move to normative citizenship  
in a plural society**

*Ina ter Avest, The Netherlands*

12.40 – 13.00

**From classroom rules to classroom principles**

*Mualla Yildiz, Turkey*

13.00 – 13.10

**Panel Discussion**

13.10 – 15.10

**Lunch break**

15.10 – 16.20

**SESSION IV:  
EARLY CHILD EDUCATION AND RELIGION**

*Moderation: Clara Epping*

15.10 – 15.30

**Attitudes to religion in kindergartens – an ethical discussion**

*Sturla Sagberg, Norway*

15.30 – 15.50

**Interreligious education with young children:  
a neglected factor of integration**

*Friedrich Schweitzer, Germany*

- 15.50 – 16.10 ● **Islamic education in Europe: dilemmas and challenges**  
*Najwan Saada, Israel*
- 16.10 – 16.20 ● **Panel Discussion**
- 16.20 – 17.30** ● **SESSION V:  
DIVERSITY IN EARLY CHILDHOOD**  
*Moderation: Najwan Saada*
- 16.20 – 16.40 ● **Frameworks of otherness: the challenges of integrating immigrant children in Greek Cypriot public schools**  
*Spyros Spyrou, Cyprus*
- 16.40 – 17.00 ● **Adults and children from different countries meet in educational services for childhood: notes about political and pedagogical situation in Italy**  
*Nice Terzi, Italy*
- 17.00 – 17.20 ● **Segregated but equal? The case of migration and (dis)integration in the Israeli early education system**  
*Yair Ziv, Israel*
- 17.20 – 17.30 ● **Panel Discussion**
- 18.30 ● **Dinner**

## Sunday, 25th November 2018

*Location: Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Zagreb – room 223*

- 09.00 – 10.10** ● **SESSION VI:  
MIGRATION, INTEGRATION AND THE ROLE OF KINDERGARTENS**  
*Moderation: Clara Epping*
- 09.00 – 09:20 ● **Professional pedagogical approach to worldview diversity in early childhood education**  
*Arnika Kuusisto, Sweden*
- 09.20 – 09.40 ● **Religious education in kindergarten between tradition and modernity in contemporary Romania**  
*Daniel Cergan, Romania*
- 09.40 – 10.00 ● **Identity negotiations in early childhood - the kindergarten as a central place of interreligious encounter**  
*Bettina Brandstetter, Austria*
- 10.00 – 10.10 ● **Panel Discussion**
- 10.10 – 10.30 ● **Coffee break**

10.30 – 11.40

**SESSION VII:  
PROMOTION OF LANGUAGE IN KINDERGARDEN**

*Moderation: Leonie Herwartz-Emden*

10.30 – 10.50

**Language barriers or barriers in the mind? Supporting bi/multilingual children in the kindergarten**

*Clara Epping*

10.50 – 11.10

**The role of language in educational inclusion of migrant children - what early childhood education institutions can learn from one Croatian school?**

*Marija Bartulović and Ana Širanović, Croatia*

11.10 – 11.30

**Migration, integration and language - challenges and chances**

*Johanna Quiring*

11.30 – 11.40

**Panel Discussion**

11.40 – 12.30

**CLOSING SESSION**

**Round table**

**Discussing challenges and practices in early education of Refugees and children with migrant background in Croatia**

- *Eli Piaca (Forum za slobodu odgoja)*
- *Asja Korbar (Are You Syrious)*
- *Emina Mesić (Mešihat Islamske zajednice)*
- *Sanja Brajković (Korak po korak)*
- *Mirna Varga (Jesuite Refugee Service-Isusovačka služba za izbjeglice)*

12.30 – 13.00

**Coffee break & snacks**

**SIGHTSEEING IN ZAGREB**

14.00  
optional:

**2 hours' guided tour through Zagreb**

*(interested participants please contact: heidemarie.sonntag@univie.ac.at)*



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