

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE EQUALITY & INCLUSION

How can our early education and family support systems be improved to give all children a head start in life? How can we support the professionals working in these systems? What are effective models of interagency collaboration and local governance to increase equity and inclusiveness in our societies? These are the key questions that will be addressed in a varied program of keynotes, symposia and workshops at the conference in Utrecht, the Netherlands, on **28-29 November 2019**.

Keynote speakers

Jim Cummins (University of Ontario), Emilia del Bono (University of Essex), Edward Melhuish (University of Oxford), Maurice Crul (Free University of Amsterdam), Vibeke Grøver (University of Oslo), Piet van Avermaet (University of Ghent), Jacqueline Barnes (Birkbeck College London), Yvonne Anders (Free University of Berlin), Sanne Akkerman (Utrecht University).

The conference welcomes professionals, policy makers and researchers to share experiences, focusing on early childhood education, primary education, integrated family support services, professional development approaches, and technology-supported intercultural and multilingual pedagogy. The conference features the international project Inclusive Education and SOcial Support to Tackle Inequalities in Society (ISOTIS, funded by the EU) and several other projects.

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PROGRAM

Thursday 28 November			
Plenary opening on	behalf of ISOTIS – Edward Melhuish		
Plenary keynote	Social and economic benefits of ECEC and other investments in the social and educational infrastructure Emilia del Bono		
Parallel keynotes	Effects of education systems & policy Maurice Crul	Interagency working Jacqueline Barnes	Investments of parents in children Vibeke Grøver
Symposia & chairs	Bypassing system barriers Jan Skopek	Local governance & interagency working Joana Guerra	Family stress & family investments Katrin Wolf
Symposia & chairs	Economics of early intervention Thomas van Huizen	The case of the Roma in Europe Konstantinos Petrogiannis	Acculturation & contact in Europe Rita Guerra
Friday 29 Novemb	er		
Plenary keynote	Supporting integration through intercultural education and professional development Jim Cummins		
Parallel keynotes	New educational arrangements Sanne Akkerman	Multilingual & multicultural development Piet van Avermaet	Family support programs Yvonne Anders
Symposia & chairs	Integrated Child Centers Willeke van der Werf	Intercultural class & school climate Cecilia Aguiar	The case of immigrants in Europe Martine Broekhuizen
Symposia & chairs	Parent-school partnerships Ryanne Francot	Intercultural professional development Pauline Slot	Identity & discrimination Lyudmila Nurse

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