

EASPD Annual Conference

Hands-on experience in Early Childhood Intervention: from grassroots initiatives to national strategies

Chisinau, Moldova: 21st-22nd April 2016 | Radisson Blu Hotel Leograd

Draft Programme



Wednesday, 20th April

10h00-12h00: Study visit to 'Voinicel' Early-intervention centre in Chisinau

14h00-17h30: EASPD's project development workshop

Conference day I: Thursday, 21st April

9h00 - 9h45: **Welcome panel**

- ❖ EASPD president
- ❖ AOPD president
- ❖ Representative of the Moldovan Ministry of Education/Ministry of Social Protection/local authorities
- ❖ Council of Europe Representative
- ❖ Zero Project Representative

9h45-10h00: **Introduction to the topic and structure of the conference by the Master of Ceremony**

10h00-10h45: **Keynote speaker**

Presentation on the state of play on early childhood intervention by Helmut Heinen, Co-founder of EurllyAid (TBC)

10h45-11h15: *Coffee break*

11h15-13h00: **Plenary session 1**

"Challenges in establishing community-based ECI services"

- ❖ *Assessing costs and benefits of developing ECI systems*
- ❖ *The deinstitutionalisation process and setting up of ECI community based services – experience from Georgia by Ia Shekriladze, Director, Georgian Association of Social Workers (TBC)*
- ❖ *Financing of ECI services at the national level – experience from Russia by Elena Kozhevnikova, Director, St. Petersburg Early Intervention Institute*
- ❖ *Experiences from Moldova, Ivan Puiu, President, Voinicel ECI center*

13h00-14h00: Lunch

14h00-15h30: Plenary Session 2

“Developing and sustaining successful ECI services”

- ❖ *Community involvement in early intervention – A Portuguese perspective, Jose Boavida Fernandes*
- ❖ *Kentalis : A large ECI service since 2009, The Netherlands (TBC)*
- ❖ *From small to big : the experience of Lebenshilfe Graz und Umgebung, Austria (TBC)*
- ❖ *ECI in Belgium (TBC)*

15h30-16h00: Coffee break

16h00-17h30: Plenary session 3

“Creating a nurturing environment for children - key elements in setting up successful ECI services “

- ❖ *Family involvement in ECI by COFACE (TBC)*
- ❖ *Professional training in ECI by Ana Serrano, EurllyAid (TBC)*
- ❖ *“Team around the child” – an integrated transdisciplinary approach to ECI by Peter Limbrick, UK*
- ❖ *Health care perspective in ECI – Lieven Bauwens*

19h00: Conference dinner

Conference day two: Friday, 22nd April

09h30-09h45: Summary of the previous day

09h45-10h30: ***Developing sustainable national systems and strategies for ECI*** by Emily-Vargas Baron, director of Rise Institute (TBC)

10h30-11h00: Coffee break

11h00-12h30: **Policy panel on current challenges and future perspectives in regard to ECI development**

- ❖ *Vasilka Dimoska, chair of the Interest Group on Early Intervention, EASPD*
- ❖ *EU Representative*
- ❖ *Manfred Pretis, Director of the Research and Training Institution S.I.N.N. (Social Innovative Network), Austria*
- ❖ *Unicef Representative*
- ❖ *Inclusion Europe Representative*

- 12h30-14h00:** *Lunch*
- 14h00-15h00:** **4 parallel workshops on ECI innovative models and services (Zero Project and EASPD)** – topics to be announced at the end of February 2016
- 15h00-15h30:** *Coffee break*
- 15h30-16h30:** **4 parallel workshops on ECI innovative models and services (Zero Project and EASPD)** – topics to be announced at the end of February 2016
- 16h30-17h00:** **Conclusion of the conference and Moldova Declaration on ECI development by Vasilka Dimoska, Chair of the Interest Group on Early Intervention, EASPD**



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