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CALL FOR PARTICIPATION INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE



**“EARLY
CHILDHOOD
EDUCATION AND
CARE:
CHALLENGES AND
PERSPECTIVES”**

“Fan S. Noli” University of Korça, Department of Education

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As the World Bank also claims, the life and the future of a child is marked by brain development in the early years. Learning and stimulation during the early years is a key building block to help young children reach their full potential. Early Childhood Education (ECE) can improve cognitive skills, reduce repetition and drop-out rates, increase school retention, and help develop socioemotional and life skills, and the ability to learn that children need to succeed as adults in a world that might be very different from the one we live in today.

Referring at Eurydice Report 2019, Key Data on Early Childhood Education and Care in Europe, and on the Council Recommendation of 22 May 2019 on high-Quality Early Childhood Education and Care Systems, it is necessary to start political strategies to guarantee the accessibility to all children of quality services that refer to clear standards, projected for all children. In addition, to promote and share good practices among different professionals, to encourage the scientific community and higher education institutions to monitor and guarantee the continuous training of professionals in the field of ECE.

Research also indicates that offering high-quality ECEC services can help reduce future public spending on welfare, health and even justice. Since high-quality ECEC lays solid foundations for the success of lifelong learning, it benefits children, especially those from disadvantaged backgrounds. ECEC represent the foundation for structuring a more effective and equitable education system.

Recognizing the importance of the issue, we invite you to participate in the first ECEC conference in Albania to discuss together and share reflections, research, good practices in Early Childhood Education and Care.

The conference seeks to address Education / Care issues of Early Childhood in the fields of:

- ✓ ***Empowering early childhood education and care***
- ✓ ***The importance of standards of development and learning in early childhood***
- ✓ ***The role and responsibilities of Universities in Early Childhood Care, Development and Education***
- ✓ ***Role and responsibilities of central and local government institutions for early childhood care, development and education***
- ✓ ***Ensuring qualitative service provision for ECCD centers.***
- ✓ ***Collaboration of different actors for early childhood care, development and education***
- ✓ ***Early childhood care, development and education and children with special needs***

as well as any other topics related to the field of early childhood care, development and education



SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE:

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Language of the Conference: Albanian, English

Conference Coordinators:

Albina PAJO - "Fan S. Noli" University

Arjan KAMBURI - "Fan S. Noli" University

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Roberto Dainese

Associate professor

Department of Educational Sciences "Giovanni Maria Bertin". Dainese Roberto carries out study and research activities in the area of Didactics for inclusion and Special Pedagogy. He is engaged in cooperation, research and training in international projects in El Salvador, Kosovo, Albania, Mozambique, Bosnia and Malta



Federica Zanetti

Associate professor

Associate Professor in Didactics and Special Pedagogy. She teaches teaching and communication strategies for adults and strategies and tools for empowerment and active citizenship.

She is the scientific manager of the Education, History and Politics Center. Since 2009 she has been a member of the Center for Gender and Education Studies.

Since 2010 she directs the Advanced Training Course "Theater as a tool for educational professionalism", has the scientific and artistic direction of the Summer School "Theater and Education for Citizenship" and the "Theater Festival of Democratic Citizenship" since 2007.

Since 2001 she has carried out consultancy, monitoring and training activities in the context of international development cooperation, especially in Kosovo and Albania, El Salvador, Belarus, Palestine and the Gaza Strip, Macedonia.



Lucia Balduzzi

Associate Professor

Associate Professor in Didactics and Special Pedagogy in the Department of Educational Sciences, Bologna University and Director of First Cycle Degree of EDUCATOR IN CHILDHOOD SOCIAL SERVICES.

She is a member of: EECERA – European Early Childhood Education Research Association; SIRD – Italian Didactic Research Society; SIPED – Italian society of Pedagogy and Didactics; and also editor of "Infazia"

magazine. Her recent study and research activities have focused on the analysis of policies aimed at childcare both nationally and internationally and on the issues of professionalism of educators of 0-6 year old services, school teachers of childhood, of all those operators who, in traditional and non-traditional services, take care of first and second childhood.



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IMPORTANT DATES:

- Abstract submission deadline: **05.09.2021**
- Topic and resume acceptance notice **15.09.2021**
- Payment of Conference fee **05.09.2021**
- Conference date: **24. 09. 2021**
- Paper submission: **15. 10. 2021**

Conference Registration Fees — **30 Euros**

Each coauthor has to pay an extra **10 Euros** (Example 2 Authors-Total **40 Euros**, 3 Authors-Total **50 Euros**).

Registration Fees Includes:

- Participation in all sessions
- Coffee Breaks
- File folder
- Abstract Book (Digital Copy)
- Conference Proceedings (Digital Copy)
- Presentation certificate
- Notebook
- Conference schedule handout
- Free proceeding publication with ISBN
- Eligibility for all technical sessions inside the conference
- Conference photo coverage

Abstract: must be submitted by **September 05, 2021** to the conference electronic address:
conferencecec@gmail.com

The abstract should be no more than 250 words **in English language**. It should include the full title of the thesis, the author's name, the academic degree / academic title, the e-mail address and the name of the institution where the author are employed.

Full paper Requirements: all works will be submitted **in English language**. The writing style should have these features: - font type: *Times New Roman*; - The font size of the title 14 / between the title 13; - paper font Size: 12; - Space between rows: 1.5; - Formats: A4; - No. of the page should be located in the bottom right corner of the page. - Writing and Quoting in Text - The APA System



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The works selected by the Scientific Committee of the Conference will be published in first edition of the Periodic Journal "***Early Childhood Education and Care: Challenges and Perspectives***", scientific publication of Department of Education, "Fan S. Noli" University
