

INVITATION

Erasmus+ Strategic Partnerships projects (KA2) Contact seminar for School Education



The Finnish National Agency for Erasmus+ programme has the pleasure to welcome you to participate in the Contact Seminar:

“Playing and Learning Child”

**Turku, Finland
9.-12.10.2016**

Context

Early Childhood Education and Care

The children are natural movers and the physical activities function as a basis for their development, well-being and health. When children move, they think, experience joy, express their feelings and learn new things. The child's physical activity is not based on competition, but on joy and play.

The learning environment not only strengthens the child's natural movement challenges and motivates them to play and learn, but also takes into account individual learning styles and encourages all children to play and move. A learning environment that allows children to do independent physical activity also awakens the children's desire to learn new things and inspires to develop their own skills.

The seminar gives an opportunity to share experiences and discover new approaches how to encourage children to move and be physically active, and how to utilize the learning environments diversely. The contact seminar brings together early childhood education and care professionals from different European countries, giving them the possibility to network and learn from the ideas and practices from the European colleagues. The seminar aims to produce project ideas and project proposals for the Erasmus+ KA2 strategic partnerships.

Target groups

The seminar is open to participants within the field of school education. The contact seminar is targeted especially at developers and representatives of primary education, pre-schools and day-care centers (the target group of the activities is children aged 3 to 8 years). We are looking for participants who are interested in the topic of the seminar and committed to develop a Erasmus+ Strategic partnership. We welcome up to 3 participants from each country, with a maximum of 50 delegates. National agency colleagues are most welcome as well. The seminar is open to all Erasmus+ programme countries.

Date and venue

The seminar starts with dinner on October 9th and finishes with lunch on October 12th. The seminar is held at Hamburger Börs in the city of Turku, in Western Finland.

Working language

The working language of the contact seminar is English.

Seminar cost

The seminar fee is 750 euros per participant. It includes accommodation in a single room for 3 nights and the seminar programme. The seminar fee as well as the travel costs will be covered by the sending Erasmus+ national agencies by their TCA budgets. The organiser will charge the fee from the sending NA.

Registration

The national agencies are invited to send a pre-registration for the number of participants they wish to send by 18th of May 2016 to katariina.petajaniemi@cimo.fi. We contact you in order to confirm the number of participants on 23rd of May 2016. The final deadline for sending us the contact details of participants is 15th of August 2016.

Website: to be opened by 23rd of May

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Programme (draft) of the event:

Sunday 9.10.2016	Monday 10.10.2016	Tuesday 11.10.2016	Wednesday 12.10.2016
Individual arrivals	9.00 Official opening of the seminar Setting the scene Keynote /JUK institute / University of Jyväskylä	9:00 Study visits to local kindergartens	9:00 Exmample on a national project for pre-schools / more active school/kindergarten day Finalisation of projects and presentations
Checking in at the hotel	Coffee break		Coffee break
	Introduction to Erasmus+ Project Presentations * CLIL, MY OPEN WINDOW ON THE WORLD AROUND ME! (KA219) Narrative environmens for play and learningn (KA201) FairKIT (KA219)	Study visits to local kindergartens Presentation of project ideas and results from working groups	Short presentations of results and project ideas Official closure of the seminar
	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	How to organise a Strategic partnership project Discussion of possible themes Formation of working groups	How to fill inn an application forms for KA 2-projects Working groups	Individual departures
	Coffee break	Coffee break	
	Discussion in working groups	Working groups	
17.00 Registration of participants	Cultural programme	17.00-19.00 Free time	
Dinner 18.00 - 21.00	Dinner 19.00	Dinner 19.00	
Welcome European fair, informal drink and food			