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Invitation & Programme

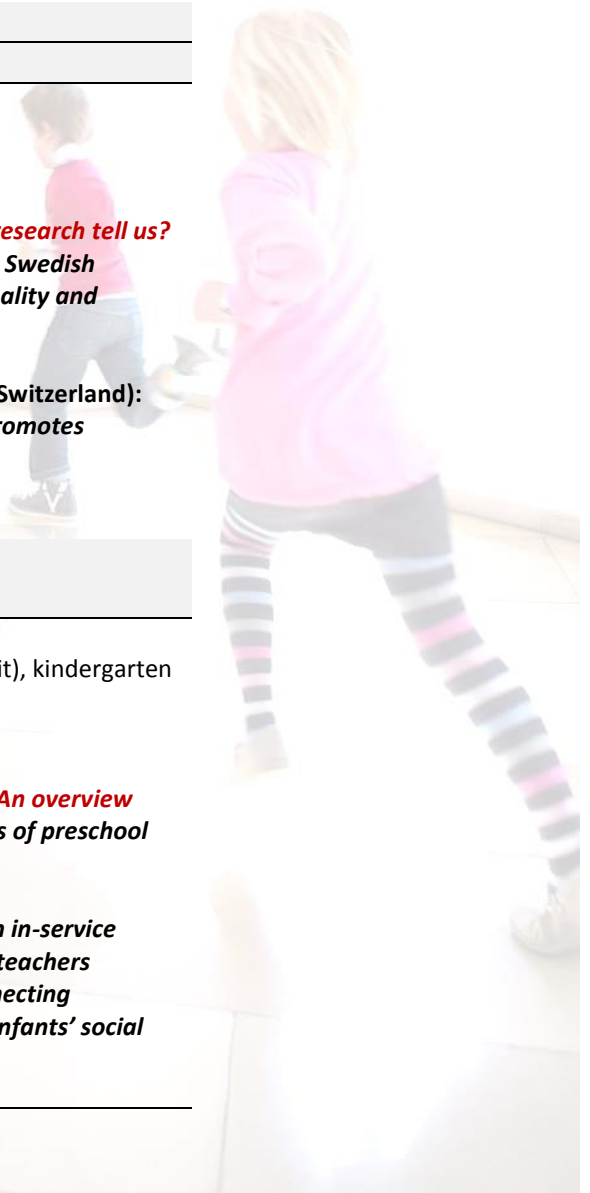
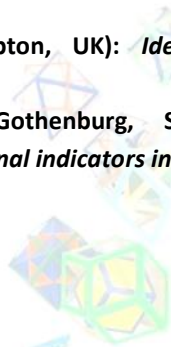
The Universities of Education Weingarten and St. Gallen invite for the 1st International Conference in Early Childhood Education Research (ECER) – Quality and Professionalisation. The conference will be held at the University of Education Weingarten (Germany). April 11th-13th 2018

The **First International Conference in Early Childhood Education Research (ECER)** brings together engaged research and researchers in Europe and around the globe to share knowledge and action towards **Quality and Professionalisation** in this field. We especially welcome proposals on the main theme; broader topics of research in early childhood education are also welcome. The ECER-Conference seeks the development of a network within the participating international universities and offers a welcoming and safe platform for senior and junior scholars to discuss their research considering different cultural perspectives. The conference is organized in partnership with the five Universities of Education in Southern Germany, the University of Education St. Gallen (Switzerland) and supported by the 'Internationale Bodensee Hochschule (IBH)', a network of universities from Austria, Germany, Liechtenstein and Switzerland in the Lake Constance region. It is in addition supported by Baden-Württemberg International (bw-i), Agency for International Economic and Scientific Cooperation. Please find the preliminary programme attached.



Conference Programme

11th April 2018	Workshop for bachelor and master students
1.45 p.m.	Registration
2.30-2.45 p.m.	Welcome
2.45-4.15 p.m.	Presentations
4.15-4.45 p.m.	Break
4.45-5.30 p.m.	Presentation
5.45-7.15 p.m.	Poster session
7.30 p.m.	Dinner in Weingarten (no-host dinner)
12th April 2018	Workshop for PhD students
9.00 a.m.	Registration
9.30-9.45 a.m.	Welcome
9.45-10.30 a.m.	Emma Whewell (Northampton, UK): Identity formation in teachers
10.30-11.15 a.m.	Panagiota Nasiopoulou (Gothenburg, Sweden): Exploring preschool teachers' professional indicators in Swedish preschool
11.15-11.45 a.m.	Break
11.45-12.30 p.m.	Presentation: N.N.
12.30-1.30 p.m.	Lunchtime snack
1.30-3.00 p.m.	Poster session
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12th April 2018	ECER - Conference "Quality"
2.30 p.m.	Registration
3.15-3.45 p.m.	Welcome
3.45-4.30 p.m.	Keynote: Marja-Kristiina Lerkkanen (Jyväskylä, Finland): Quality in Early Childhood Education. What does research tell us?
4.30-5.15 p.m.	Pia Williams (Gothenburg, Sweden): Group size in Swedish preschool. Implications for professionalization, quality and development
5.15-5.45 p.m.	Break
5.45-6.30 p.m.	Sonja Perren (Konstanz, Germany & Kreuzlingen, Switzerland): Daycare quality in Swiss daycare centers: What promotes supportive caregiver-child interactions?
6.30-8.00 p.m.	Poster session
8.15 p.m.	Reception and music – everyone welcome!
13th April 2018	ECER - Conference "Professionalisation"
9.00 a.m.	Registration
9.00-10.30 a.m.	Meeting – alternative: baroque basilica (guided visit), kindergarten visit (limited places)
10.30-11.15 a.m.	Keynote: Pamela Oberhuemer (Munich, Germany): Professionalisation in Early Childhood Education. An overview
11.15-12.00 noon	Wilfried Smidt (Innsbruck, Austria): Career success of preschool teachers in Germany
12.00-1.00 p.m.	Lunchtime snack
1.00-1.45 p.m.	Anja Leber et al. (Landau, Germany): Quality of an in-service professional development program for preschool teachers
1.45-2.30 p.m.	Katerina Mouratidou (Thessaloniki, Greece): Connecting professional work in kindergarten with fostering infants' social competence
2.30-3.00 p.m.	Farewell



Please note

Participation must be confirmed and conference fees paid by February 28th 2018. Presenting authors are responsible for registration, travel, and hotel costs (limited funding is available). If private accommodation for BA-/MA-students is of interest, please contact us.

Registration Fee

BA-/MA-student	PhD-student	regular
12.00 €	25.00 €	50.00 €

The registration fee includes cost of book of abstracts, conference material, and attendance at conference sessions, welcome reception, lunches, morning and afternoon tea/coffee break, evening reception and music and optional side programme (guided tour of Basilika Weingarten, local kindergarten visit, student dinner). Please use the conference registration form.

Key dates

February 28th 2018	Deadline for poster submission (further information in the call for posters)
February 28th 2018	Deadline for registration

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Contact

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