



1st International Scientific Conference
**Competent Systems in Early
Childhood Education and Care**
Osijek (Croatia), 21st – 22nd October 2022

Dear Colleagues,

we kindly invite you to the 1st International Scientific Conference

**KOMPAS – Competent Systems in Early Childhood
Education and Care**

which will be held from 21st to 22nd of October 2022 in Osijek (Croatia) organized by the Faculty of Education in Osijek and Croatian Academy of Science and Arts, Center for Scientific Work in Vinkovci.

This year's conference theme is *Creating pedagogical meeting places*. The conference presents a way for the academic community to respond to current global, national and local challenges in the system of early childhood education and care. It provides a platform for constructive dialogue among various participants in the educational system.

The aim of this conference is to connect participants from different levels of the educational system and to provide a platform for systematic, reciprocal and purposeful interaction aimed at promoting a culture of quality and professionalism in the system of early childhood education and care.

We kindly invite communities of practitioners in kindergartens, higher education institutions focused on the education of professional staff in kindergartens, the scientific community, representatives of educational policy and all other participants involved in early childhood education and care to take part in the Conference.

Participants are invited to submit their presentations of theoretical and empirical research and examples of good practice in order to offer answers to some of the following questions:

1. What are the conditions needed for (re) defining quality, professionalism and competencies in the system of early and preschool education and care?
2. How to enable and maintain systematic and reciprocal communication between different levels of the system?
3. What are the implications of researching theory and practice on the development of competent systems?

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

Arianna Lazzari, Ph.D., Associate Professor, University of Bologna, Italy

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Mathias Urban, Ph.D., Full Professor, Dublin City University, Ireland

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The Conference will be held in person (organizers hold the right to change the manner of holding the conference if epidemiological conditions become unfavorable).
The official languages of the conference are English and Croatian.

IMPORTANT DATES

Registration and abstract submission deadline: 15th May 2022

Feedback on acceptance of the abstract: 15th July 2022

Registration fee deadline for all presenting and non-presenting delegates: 1st October 2022

Full paper submission deadline: 15th December 2022

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Delegates can participate in the Conference by oral presentation, PED talk, a poster, and without a presentation as a listener.

REGISTRATION FEES

Conference fee of 70 € / 525 HRK should be paid no later than 1st October 2022.

Conference fee for ECEC teachers, students and postgraduate students of 50 € / 375 HRK should be paid no later than 1st October 2022. Payments should be made to the account of the Faculty of Education, J. J. Strossmayer University of Osijek, Croatia.

All details on the application for participation and the payment of the registration fee are available on the official website of the [Conference](#).

We look forward to meeting you!

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