Autism Europe

Webinar EPR

An introduction to Autism-Europe and some of its projects

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- International association whose main objective is to **advance the rights of autistic people and their families** and to help them improve their quality of life.
- Autism-Europe brings together almost 90 associations from 38 European countries, as well as governments and European and international institutions.







- Influencing the European decisionmakers to combat discrimination and foster inclusion
- Running initiatives to improve the quality of life of people with autism and their families
- Promoting scientific research on autism and evidence-based information on autism
- Exchanging best practices
- Raising public awareness







- Our offices are in Brussels (Belgium) near the main European Institutions.
- This helps us maintain a strong connection with European decision-makers





Autism-Europe congress



- Last edition 12th took place in Nice in September 2019 : 2,200 participants
- Sessions on education, employment, support in the community
- Gather autistic people, their families, academics and a wide range of professionals





Cooperation with European NGOs







EEG

socialplatform

ECCL European Coalition for Community Living











One of our priority: access to employment

Promoting access to employment



Campaign & Publication:

"Autism and work, together we can"

• Compendium of good practices



World Autism Awareness Day

 AE will campaign in relation to access to education and employment in 2020





European projects





EU projects- ESIPP





Equity and Social Inclusion through Positive Parenting (2015- August 2018)

- Project completed in August 2018
- Parent education programme and recommendations for policy-makers available for free in the project website in EN/ GR/ MK/ HR

http://esipp.eu

- Pilot courses and events are being held in the UK, Cyprus, Croatia and North Macedonia.
- AE acted as lead **dissemination partner** for the project
- Legacy: Partnership is now working on the ASD-EAST project





EU projects- ASD-EAST





Autism Spectrum Disorder- Empowering and Supporting teachers (2018-2020)

- Erasmus+ project started in September 2018
- Website: <u>http://asd-east.org/</u>
- **Empowering specialist educators** in Central/Eastern/Balkan settings to support effective inclusion of children on the autism spectrum in education
- Countries: UK, Poland, North Macedonia, Croatia and Belgium
- Currently: Identification of good practice and areas needing development + Development of training and materials for specialist educators
- AE acts as lead dissemination partner for the project





EU projects- IPA+





- Project completed in December 2018
- Training materials available for free in the project website in EN/ FR/ ES/ PT/ SRB http://ipa-project.eu/
- Pilot courses and events are being held in Spain, Serbia and Portugal
- Final Conference organised by AE in Brussels, November 2018
- AE acted as lead **dissemination partner** for the project
- Legacy: Partners already applied for the IPA 2 project: to prevent the school failure and absenteeism, especially in the secondary school





EU projects- DE-ENIGMA





- Website: <u>http://de-enigma.eu/</u>
- **Currently:** Final studies with children in London+ development of the 3rd prototype, possible investigation of predictability with autistic adults
- AE acts as lead dissemination partner for the project
- Running until end of 2019





EU projects- ETTECEC





Early aTTention for the inclusion of children with autism spectrum disorders in Early Childhood Education and Care systems (2017- December 2019)

- Website: <u>https://ettecec.eu/</u>
- Online training platform will be fully available for free in EN/ FR/ ES/ CZ/ SL
- **Currently:** translations and pilot courses
- Final Conference will organised by AE in Brussels December 2019
- AE acted as lead **dissemination partner** for the project





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4.- EU projects- IVEA





- Erasmus+ project started in October 2018
- Website: <u>https://ivea-project.eu/</u>
- Fostering social inclusion of autistic people through employment by developing a European holistic guide.
- **Countries:** Portugal, Spain, Hungary, Greece, Belgium
- Currently: Identification of good practice + Interviews with employers, autistic people and families + Development of training and materials for autistic people and employers
- AE acts as lead dissemination partner for the project



4.- EU projects- ChildIN

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- Erasmus+ project started in November 2018
- Website: <u>https://www.childin.eu/</u>
- **Developing a training for European childminders** to foster inclusion of children on the autism spectrum.
- **Countries:** France, Portugal, Poland, Belgium
- **Currently:** Identification of good practice + Interviews with childminders and families + Development of training and materials for childminders
- AE acts as lead dissemination partner for the project



4.- EU projects- Train-ASD



Vocational training on Communication and Teaching Approaches in Autism Spectrum Disorders (2018- 2020)

- Erasmus+ project started in December 2018
- Website: <u>https://www.train-asd.eu/</u>
- Develop a large-scale training programme on the use of alternative communication systems for autistic children
- Countries: Greece, Romania, Belgium

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• **Currently:** Identification of good practice + Development of training and materials for professionals

AE acts as lead dissemination partner for the project







Questions?







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Thanks for your attention

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