

## EURLYAID NEWSLETTER : May 2018

Dear members,

In this newsletter you will find information about:

- 1) The upcoming conference and General Assembly
- 2) The start of new project: Agora, funded by Velux
- 3) Progress on the Ukraine project

## 1) Eurlyaid 2018 conference

Following the newsletters we sent to you before we would like to inform you about the progress in the program.

- At the conference website (<u>http://conference.eurlyaid.eu/</u>) you can see/find the **keynotes** (also see our last newsletter).
- There will be multiple **workshops**. The workshops that are confirmed:
- Trauma: Karen Treisman
- Feeding: Ena Heimdahl
- Augmentative and Alternative Communication: Stephen von Tetzchner
- Individualized Family service plan: Marilyn Espe- Sherwindt
- Early identification: by a representative of the Twinning project
- Parent-child relations: by a professional from Ukraine
- Support of parents:
- Motor development from medical rehabilitation to routine based early intervention
- RBA USA-Ukraine
- policy development, Georgian experience

At the moment both the local and scientific committee are working on defining the **program and time schedule.** In due course we will put information about workshop leaders and a content summary of each workshop on the conference website.

Registration and call for abstracts you can find here and we kindly invite you to visit the site, submit your abstract and/or book your ticket:

http://conference.eurlyaid.eu/call-for-papers/

http://conference.eurlyaid.eu/shop/

During the conference Eurlyaid will have its General assembly. This year it will include the election of a new board.

We will inform you in due time about the agenda, procedures, elections and candidates.

We are looking forward to see you in Kharkiv!

## 2) AGORA project

http://www.eurlyaid.eu/projects/

The kick-off meeting of this project was in Sofia, March 21-23. On the 23th a mini-conference took place.

http://easpd.eu/en/content/developing-effective-early-childhood-intervention-services-through-participation-and-co

https://www.facebook.com/Eurlyaid-EAECI-892618447492977/





During this meeting project goals, rules, finances and timelines were discussed and presentations about the topic were given.

During the first half year (until June 2018) all partners will work together on:

- EurlyAid will develop a methodology and plan that will be used by the national/regional partners to produce country reports on Early Childhood Intervention in their respective settings. These country reports will include desk research, qualitative data collective and the validation of findings, and will be produced in English and the relevant national language.
- EASPD will gather existing co-production methodologies and best practices. From the 6th to the 12th month, EurlyAid, supported by all partners, will develop the toolbox that is designed to support organisations develop accessible ECI that work with and empower the children and their families. It will include a needs analysis, a service prototype, a person-centred plan and an evaluation plan.

We will inform you on a regular basis about results and progress.

## 3) Progress on the Ukraine project.

The development of a nationwide ECI system in Ukraine is a steadily continuing process.

At the moment we expect a meeting of the National Platform to be organised soon in which the Prime Minister will lead the meeting and the First Lady might also be present.

Many people and organisations, both in Ukraine and outside, continue to contribute to this process in any way they can or appears to be constructive. In that sense all are equally important in their contribution, small or big, to this process.

We sincerely hope and wish the conference, October 10-12, will indeed offer a platform, a moment for all involved to meet, exchange information and offer additional impulses that will benefit the process.

Special attention we would like to emphasise the contribution (and result of a part of their work) of one of the partners as it includes active parents contributions. Because we hope to welcome many parents at the conference too:

https://www.healthprom.org/posts/11-research-report-from-ukraine