



EPALE Community Conference 2020

*Shaping the Future of
Adult Learning in Europe*

6-7-8th October 2020

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“Digital Learning & Skills: Managing change, embracing transformation”

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Moderator: Tamsin Rose

10.00-10.30 CEST

OPENING

Manuela Geleng – Director for Skills, European Commission , Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion

Sophia Eriksson Waterschoot – Director for Youth, Education and Erasmus+, European Commission, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

10.30-11.15 CEST

KEYNOTE SPEECH (FOLLOWED BY Q&A)

Adult education in the age of Artificial Intelligence

Donald Clark – EdTech Entrepreneur, CEO, Professor, Researcher, Author, Blogger and Speaker

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11.15-12.00 CEST

PANEL DISCUSSION (FOLLOWED BY Q&A)

EPALE Talks: Inspiring Stories from the EPALE community

- **Henrik Zipsane** – Guest professor at [Linköping University](#) and associate expert of Pascal Observatory at Glasgow University
- **Joe Houghton** – Program Director at [UCD Smurfit Graduate School of Business](#)
- **Daniela Dandric** – Head of the Reproductive Rights Program at [Roda, Parents in Action](#)

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12.00-12.15 CEST

AFK - AWAY FROM KEYBOARD: A FEW MINUTES TO REST A BIT

12.15-13.00 CEST

PANEL DISCUSSION (FOLLOWED BY Q&A)

Upskilling for life after the pandemic: digital tools and practices

- **Clara Centeno** – Senior Researcher, Human Capital and Employment Unit at European Commission – Joint Research Center (JRC)
- **Oliver Simko** – Founder and lead designer at Luducrafts
- **Celia Sokolowsky** – Project leader of VHS-Lernportal, German Adult Education Association
- **Radek Czahajda** – Evidence Based Trainer, founder of Trainers' Forum and EPALE ambassador

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13.00-13.10 CEST

Wrapping up session drawing conclusions on the main recommendations for the future Adult Learning agenda

NATIONAL PANELS

14.30-16.00 EEST

NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE PANEL - FINLAND

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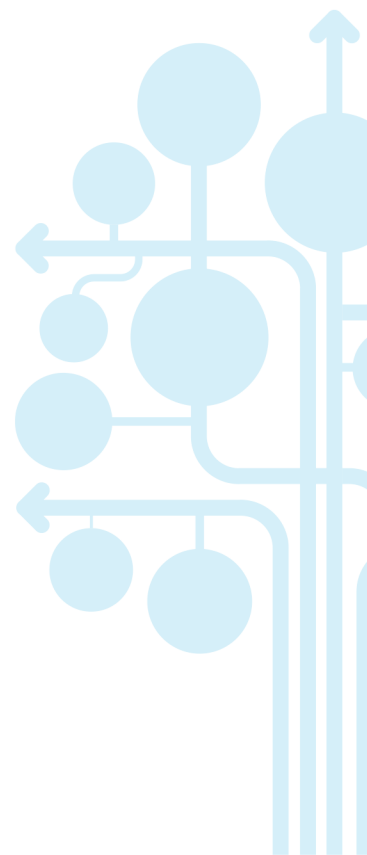
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15.00- 17.00 CEST

NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE PANEL - BELGIUM NL

Levenslang leren, levenslang erkennen / HackYourFuture

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Day 2 - Wednesday 7th

10.00-12.45 CEST

“Joining forces to provide lifelong upskilling: building stakeholder collaboration”

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The example of Upskilling Pathways

- **Martina Ní Cheallaigh** – European Commission, Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- **Graciela Sbertoli** – Secretary General of European Basic Skills Network (EBSN)
- **Christianne Fenech** – Ministry of Education in Malta

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11.00-12.00 CEST

PARALLEL WORKSHOPS: ENGAGING STAKEHOLDERS OUTSIDE EDUCATION

Adult learning, education and health

- **Jaap Koot** – Research Coordinator at University Medical Centre in Groningen (UMCG)
- **Anne Tastula** – Project Coordinator at Finnish Lifelong Learning Foundation – KVS

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Basic skills interventions for resilient citizens and communities

- **Jorge Oliveira** – Coordinator at Centro Qualifica da Profisousa
- **Clare McNally** – Communications Manager at National Adult Literacy Agency (NALA)
- **Jan Evensen** – Manager of Education and Training at Fønix As

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NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE PANEL - ITALY

Giustizia riparativa, luogo di mediazione sociale

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15.00-16.30 CEST

NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE PANEL - GERMANY

Erfolgreich im digitalen Raum Lehren und Lernen - Demokratie, Inklusion, Grundkompetenzen

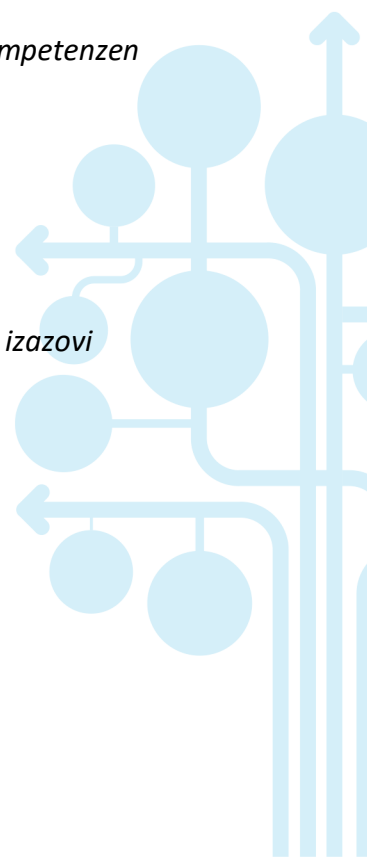
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NATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE PANEL - MONTENEGRO

Uticaj pandemije COVID-19 na budući razvoj sistema obrazovanja odraslih - ključni izazovi

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“Social Inclusion & Democracy: Opportunities for change”

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Re-thinking education: fostering social inclusion

Koen Timmers – Educator, author, researcher, lecturer and speaker, nominated twice as *Global teacher of the year*

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PANEL DISCUSSION (FOLLOWED BY Q&A)

Taking adult learning forward: What opportunities can be drawn from the COVID-19 crisis for Education, Sustainable Development, Social fairness and cohesion, and Democratic values

- **David Atchoarena** – Director of the [UNESCO Institute for Lifelong Learning](#)
- **José Roberto Guevara** – Associate Professor of International Development at the [Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology](#)
- **Shirley Walters** – Professor Emerita at the University of Western Cape, South Africa and president of [PASCAL International Membership Association \(PIMA\)](#)
- **Uwe Gartenschlaeger** – President of [The European Association for the Education of Adults \(EAEA\)](#)
- **Timothy Ireland** – Vice-president for [Latin America of the International Council for Adult Education \(ICAE\)](#)

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PARALLEL WORKSHOPS: EMPOWERING SOCIAL CHANGE THROUGH ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Education for democracy and value

- **Maja Maksimovic** – Assistant Professor at the Department of Pedagogy and Andragogy, University of Belgrade
- **Gerhard Bisovsky** – Secretary General of The Association of Austrian Adult Education Centre (VOEV)

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Patterns of inclusion: building digital citizenship

- **Laurentiu Bunescu** – Head of Digital Education Programmes at Fundatia EOS - Educating for an Open Society
- **Gema Parrado** – Project coordinator at Asociación de Universidades Populares de Extremadura (AUPEX)

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Presentation of results of the workshops and national panels

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CLOSING

Markus Rester - Head of Sector, European Commission, Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture

