CALL FOR POSTERS

Deadline for Submission: January 15, 2018

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

Afternoon  Presentations
Late afternoon  Poster session

12th April 2018  Workshop for PhD students

Morning  Presentations
Lunch time  Poster session

Main conference programme: ECER - Conference “Quality”
2.30 p.m.  Registration
Welcome notes

Afternoon  Keynote: Marja-Kristiina Lerkkanen (Jyväskylä, Finland): Quality in Early Childhood Education. What does research tell us?
Late afternoon  Presentations
Evening  Poster session

13th April 2018  ECER – Conference “Professionalisation”

Morning  Keynote: Pamela Oberhuemer (Munich, Germany): Professionalisation in Early Childhood Education. An overview
Presentations
2.30 p.m.  Farewell

Guide for authors
Authors are invited to submit their abstract via email by January 15, 2018. Abstracts between 1,000 and 1,500 words, in English, and presented in pdf format should be sent along with: title of proposed poster, name, email address and institution. Please indicate which poster session you would like to participate in (workshop for BA/MA-students, workshop for PhD-students, main conference).
The Poster sessions involve visually presented research studies. Each poster is introduced with a brief oral presentation (max. 5 minutes). Further details will follow shortly before the conference.

Please note
Participation must be confirmed and conference fees paid by February 15th 2018. Presenting authors are responsible for registration, travel, and hotel costs (limited funding is available). If private accommodation is of interest (BA/MA-students), please contact us.

Registration Fee

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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.

Contact
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Suggested Topics for Poster Submissions
We would like to invite you and your colleagues to submit a contribution to any of our three Poster sessions: 1) workshop for BA/MA students – broader topics of research in ECE; 2) workshop for PhD-students – broader topics of research in ECE; 3) main conference on ‘Quality’ and ‘Professionalisation’ as well as other topics of research in ECE.

Key dates

| January 15th 2018  | Deadline for poster submission |
| February 15th 2018 | Deadline for registration |