

Invitation to the Multiplier Event

“Reflecting Cultures of Education in Early Childhood – Educational Governance and Leadership in fields of ECEC in Migration Societies”

13th and 14th September 2023 – University of Education Schwäbisch Gmünd

Dear Colleagues,

after two productive and inspiring events in Stavanger and Dublin, we are pleased to invite you to the third Multiplier Event of the RECOde Project at the University of Education Schwäbisch Gmünd, Germany.

Whereas the last meetings examined conceptual aspects of culture and awareness as well as basic intercultural competences and skills of BA graduates in order to work with children and families in a globalized world, the upcoming event will focus on governance and leadership in relation to critical cultural awareness. Both Governance and leadership are strongly interrelated and emphasize in general the organization of the field of education. Governance, here, means steering institutional structures and coordinating institutional change, whereas leadership puts more importance to managing educational institutions including staff development, training of professionals and development of educational concepts and curriculums. In this sense, the terms describe crucial requirements for professionals with a leading position in the field of education and care. This is also related to cultural awareness. Requirements in this context, however, differ between various educational working fields. For instance, leading a kindergarten requires different knowledge, attitudes and practices concerning governance and leadership as managing a welfare institution. What are these requirements in the context of critical awareness and what advanced knowledge, attitudes and practices are necessary? We invite you to discuss these questions with us and our extended network. You are also invited to share your knowledge with short presentation.

Call for Contribution: If you are interested in a presentation (not longer than 15 minutes), please choose a working field (like ECEC, primary school, family education etc.) and address the following questions: What does cultural awareness mean in leading positions in this field? What are related contents on the governance and leadership level? What knowledge(s), attitudes and practices are necessary on this level with regard to critical cultural awareness?

Please, express your interest in the Multiplier Event before June 30, 2023 by completing this quick form: <https://recode-erasmus.com/multiplier-event-september-2023/>

If you have any queries regarding the event, please contact Steffen Geiger (steffen.geiger@ph-gmuend.de) who will be pleased to help you. For more information about the project, please visit our website: www.recode-erasmus.com

We are looking forward to hearing from you!

The RECOde Project Team and the local organization committee

Preliminary Agenda

Day 1: Wednesday 13th September 2023

- 14:00 Welcome and introduction
- 14:30 Presentation: The framework of critical cultural awareness
- 14:45 Looking back: Results from Dublin ‘world café’ translated into BA competences
- 15:00 Coffee break
- 15:30 Discussion round: Critical cultural awareness in different working fields
- 17:00 End of the day
- 18:00 Cultural Event
- 19:00 Dinner

Day 2: Thursday 14th September 2023

- 9:00 Welcome and recap day 1
Introduction to the day: governance and leadership in the context of critical cultural awareness
- 9:30 Presentations: Critical cultural awareness on the governance and leadership level (Call for Contribution)
- 10:30 Break
- 11:00 Presentations: Critical cultural awareness on the governance and leadership level (Call for Contribution)
- 12:30 Lunch
- 13:30 Discussion space: How to reframe / translate the specific requirements into a generic curriculum?
- 14:30 Break
- 15:00 From theory to action: Planning the MA spring school
- 17:00 End of the Day