

This June conference is the first of a series of 4 reflecting events in 2022 about the 4 Anti-bias education goals.

ANTI-BIAS EDUCATION GOALS

Identity, Diversity, Justice and Action are the four interconnected goals of anti-bias education, which build on each other and are relevant to all children and adults. Educators create the learning environment to foster these goals.

	Goals for Adults:	Goals for Children:
ABE goal 1 Identity	To be conscious of one's own culture, attitudes and values and how they influence practice	To support each child's identity (individual and group) and their sense of belonging
ABE goal 2 Diversity	To be comfortable with difference, have empathy and engage effectively with families	To foster children's empathy and support them to become comfortable with difference
ABE goal 3 Justice	To critically think about diversity, bias and discrimination	To encourage each child to critically think about diversity and bias
ABE goal 4 Action	To confidently engage in dialogue about issues of diversity, bias and discrimination. Work to challenge individual and institutional forms of prejudice and discrimination	To empower children to stand up for themselves and others in difficult situations

Conference program June 13th, 2022 & logistics

Target groups: Educators/pedagogues, coaches and trainers, managers in all aspects of Early

Childhood Education and Care, with experience implementing Anti-bias

approaches with young children, families and communities

Online-event: The conference is an online-event via Zoom.

Costs: The conference is free of charge.

Date: June 13th, 2022

Time: 5 pm to 8 pm (Berlin time)

Programme: 1. Welcome and introduction to the event: Petra Wagner (Germany)

2. Opening address by Louise Derman-Sparks (USA) on the 4 interconnected

Anti-bias education goals.

3. Participants will go into two 70 minutes dialogue groups with prepared

questions. You can choose to join 2 groups.

4. End of day: Next steps and thank you

Language: The primary language of the conference will be English.

Registration: Please register by June 6th, 2022.

Dialogue Groups June 13th 2022

Group 1 Individual-family identities

Group 2 Respecting children's need to have roots

Group 3 Reflection about privileges

Group 4 Visibility of minoritized identities in children's books

Group 5 Equity as basic attitude

Group 6 War and family culture

Group 7 Identity and belonging in practice

Conference organizers

The conference organizers include ECEC equity/social justice/anti-bias education professionals, advocates and activists working in several countries, including:

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Anastasia Hatzistefanou-Vafea: Director of "Schedia" (Raft) - Center for Artistic and Pedagogical

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Colette Murray: Lecturer Technological University Dublin/ Ireland

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Mathias Urban: Professor of Early Childhood Education and Director, Early

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Ana del Barrio Saiz: Trainer/advisor diversity & inclusion in ECEC and education

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Louise Derman-Sparks: Teacher of young children, college teacher, author and activist,

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The conference organizers share a history as members of the international network DECET (Diversity in Early Childhood Education and Training) until 2017. For many years the DECET network has worked to promote principles of equity, social justice and Anti-bias Education in working with young children, their families and communities.

