Dear OMEP friends,

It is my honour and pleasure to welcome and greet you all on the behalf of the Croatian National Committee of World Organization for Early Childhood Education. Croatia is the host of the 69th World Assembly and International Conference.

Currently, Croatia is one of the youngest members of OMEP, but its connection to OMEP is a long-lasting one. More than fifty years ago Zagreb hosted the OMEP World conference. With great pleasure, we all remember the two distinguished Croatian pedagogues who took part in the activities of OMEP: Staša Jelić and Tatjana Marinić, the latter of which became one of the first honorary members of OMEP, and after whom a kindergarten in the centre of Zagreb was proudly named.

Throughout the history of early childhood education many pedagogical professionals have given their contribution to both theory and practice. Thanks to them we have the right to say that early childhood education in Croatia is keeping up with the finest ones in the world.

I hope that you will take our conference into contribution and discover early childhood education in Croatia and all over the world.

Adrijana Visnjic Jevtic
OMEP Croatia
CALL FOR PROPOSALS

We invite all those interested in early childhood education to submit proposals to the OMEP 2017 International Conference „Early Childhood Relationships: The Foundation for a Sustainable Future”.

Papers about early childhood relationships as the foundation for a sustainable future can be discussed in relation to:

1. Society, Culture, Community and Spaces
2. Values, Moral, Character and Spiritual Education
3. Paradigms, Theories and Research Methodologies
4. Relational Pedagogy
5. Play and Learning
6. Curriculum and Assessment
7. Leadership and Quality
8. Education for Sustainable Development
9. Rights, Equity and Respect for Diversity
10. Professional Education, Policy and Advocacy

Forms of participation:
- Individual Paper Presentation
- Self-Organised Symposium
- Workshop
- Poster Presentation
- 15’ Conversation with…

The abstract should be submitted online. Online submission at https://omep2017.exordo.com

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KEYNOTE SPEAKERS (in alphabetical order)

Slavica Basic  
University of Zadar, Croatia

Verity Campbell-Barr  
Plymouth University, UK  
University of Debrecen, Hungary

Joanne Lehrer  
Université du Québec en Outaouais, Canada

Eszter Moses  
Lóczy Foundation for Children, Hungary

Peter Moss  
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Ingrid Pramling Samuelsson  
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VENUE

Conference centre Tamaris, Milenij hotels, Opatija

Opatija, Croatia
http://visitopatija.com/

TRAVEL INFORMATION

Detailed information about travel arrangements available at http://www.visitopatija.net/en/directions

Some airline companies provide discounts to conference participants. To obtain the Star Alliance Conventions Plus discounts please visit Conventions Plus online booking tool: http://conventionsplusbookings.staralliance.com/trips/StarHome.aspx?meetingcode=OU01S17

Registered Conference participants plus one accompanying person travelling to the Conference qualify for a discount of up to 20%, depending on fare and class of travel booked.

The participating airlines for this Conference are: ANA, Adria Airways, Aegean Airlines, Air Canada, Air China, Air India, Air New Zealand, Asiana Airlines, Avianca, Croatia Airlines, EVA Airways, EgyptAir, Ethiopian Airlines, LOT Polish Airlines, Scandinavian Airlines, Shenzhen Airlines, South African Airways, TAP Portugal, THAI, Turkish Airlines, United.

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