

IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN EUROPE

**INVITATION TO ALL
WHO ARE INTERESTED IN
THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD
IN THE EUROPEAN UNION**

DATE & TIME

Tuesday 1 September 2015
13.00 – 15.00 hrs

LOCATION

European Parliament,
Rue Wiertz 60, Brussels,
Altiero Spinelli, Room A1 E3

ENTRANCE

We will gather at the Entrance at Place
Luxembourg at 12.30 hrs and enter the
building together. Please be there in time.
It is obligatory to take your passport
and/or ID Card with you.

SESSION 54

Elham Palestine: a multisector
national partnership towards
making schools more conducive
to children's well-being

What is the philosophy and
approach of Elham? What positive
outcomes have resulted? In
which way can we apply the same
approach in a European context?

The presentation will be given by Dr. Marwan Awartani, President of
Khaduri Technical University and co-founder and Secretary-General of the
Universal Education Foundation. Dr. Awartani is the social entrepreneur
of Elham, and the driving force for its implementation in Palestine.

This session will be hosted by MEP Julie Ward
(Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the
European Parliament, UK)

We take pleasure in inviting you for the 54th session on 1 September 2015.
We believe that we as members of the European Parliament working
together with like-minded public interest advocacy groups and committed
individuals can and should play an important role in this area.

Yours sincerely,

Working Group on the Quality of Childhood
at the European Parliament (QoC):

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MEP Kostas Chrysogonos
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MEP József Nagy
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MEP Julie Ward

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ELHAM PALESTINE

Elham Palestine is a nationwide program, extending throughout Gaza and the West Bank, that aims at improving the physical, mental, psychological and social well-being of Palestinian children, and enhancing their learning environments to become more conducive for their well-being.

Elham stimulates, identifies, supports and disseminates innovative initiatives that “make a difference in children’s life journeys”, and leverages various partnerships in order to replicate the innovations and take them to scale.

Elham is supported by effective and sustainable multi stakeholder partnerships and an array of localized structures and processes that secure ever wider and more effective local engagement and buy-in, resulting in greater social cohesion, individual and collective initiative, entrepreneurship and creativity.

ELHAM PURPOSE AND GOALS

In particular, Elham Palestine seeks to fulfill the following goals:

- Teachers and other members of the school community are empowered and motivated to undertake more initiatives that nurture the well-being of their students.
- Students are encouraged to assume more responsibility and take more initiatives towards their school community and their larger society as engaged “young citizens”.
- Inspiring initiatives that are identified by Elham are documented, recognized and supported in order to widen and deepen their impact. They are disseminated as a learning resource for peers in Palestine and beyond.
- Through leveraging system partnerships, inspiring initiatives are taken to scale whenever deemed possible.
- A culture of hope, initiative and entrepreneurship, based on a deep trust in the capacity of each Palestinian individual to “make a positive difference” in his/her life and the life of the community is cultivated and promoted.
- The values of working together and establishing partnerships to pursue a common goal are promoted, and all forms of community partnerships are encouraged.
- Media is more aware of its pedagogical responsibility and is willing to leverage its power towards cultivating healthy mindsets and behavior patterns amongst children and youth.

Elham Palestine has been fully operational since 2007, and has received both international and regional recognition. In May 2011, Elham Palestine was granted the Arab Achievement Award in Education in Qatar for its outstanding innovative learning for well-being approach and its inspiring inclusive partnership model.

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A truly remarkable achievement is that Elham has retained its non partisan spirit and identity within a relatively polarized and divided geopolitical environment. This derives from our belief that our children's learning and wellbeing is a unifying theme that cuts through all sorts of divides. An indicative expression of this is succeeding to place a link for Elham Palestine on the websites of both "Ministries" of Education: www.moehe.ps and for the West Bank the link is www.moehe.gov.ps.

OUR QUESTIONS TO DR. MARWAN AWARTANI

- What are the key elements of the Elham Process?
- In which ways has Elham contributed to the physical, emotional, mental and spiritual well-being of children and young people in Palestine?
- What have been additional outcomes resulting from Elham?
- How could this approach be taken up in a European context? Which pre-conditions should be met?

OVERALL OBJECTIVES OF THESE MEETINGS

- To gain a better understanding of the Quality of Childhood in the EU Member States. This time we will focus on 'Elham Palestine: its philosophy and approach and how it may be applied in a European context?'
- To reflect on the role that the European institutions can play to improve the situation.
- To get to grips with the values, principles and approaches that could lead to improvements for children both in Europe and around the world.
- To form an effective working group and to get a sense of how to move on.

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**PROGRAMME OUTLINE
TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER 2015
SESSION 54**

13.00 OPENING

- MEP Julie Ward

13.05

THE ELHAM PROJECT THROUGH THE EYES OF THE ALLIANCE FOR CHILDHOOD

- Christopher Clouder, one of the co-founders of the Alliance for Childhood

13.10

HOW HAS ELHAM INSPIRED AND MANIFESTED THE L4WB PRINCIPLES?

- Daniel Kropf, Co-founder and Executive Vice-Chair of the Universal Education Foundation

13.20

ELHAM PALESTINE: A MULTISECTOR NATIONAL PARTNERSHIP TOWARDS MAKING SCHOOLS MORE CONDUCTIVE TO CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING. WHAT IS THE PHILOSOPHY AND APPROACH OF ELHAM? WHAT POSITIVE OUTCOMES HAVE RESULTED? IN WHICH WAY CAN WE APPLY THE SAME APPROACH IN A EUROPEAN CONTEXT?

- Dr. Marwan Awartani, President of Khaduri Technical University and Secretary-General of the Universal Education Foundation

14.10 DISCUSSION

- Facilitated by Michiel Matthes, Chairman of the Alliance for Childhood European Network Group

14.50 CLOSING REMARKS

- MEP Julie Ward

15.00 END

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**Universal Education
Foundation**

The Universal Education Foundation (UEF) is a foundation registered in The Netherlands in 2004. UEF is active in Europe and the Middle-East, developing partnerships that apply the concept of Learning for Well-being in research, practice and advocacy. UEF is a member of the Alliance for Childhood European Network Group. www.universaleducationfoundation.org



The Alliance for Childhood European Network Group and Universal Education Foundation are engaged in the Learning for Well-being Community.

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SESSIONS

THE SESSIONS HELD / TO BE HELD BY
THE WORKING GROUP ON THE QUALITY
OF CHILDHOOD AT THE EUROPEAN
PARLIAMENT IN THE PERIOD 2006–2015:

2006

- 1 THE TOXIC CHILDHOOD SYNDROME AND THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD**
- with Christopher Clouder (UK) and Professor Hans van Crombrugge (Belgium)
 - host: MEP Karin Resetarits
 - 5 December 2006

2007

- 2 REALLY IMPROVING THE EDUCATION IN THE EUROPEAN UNION REQUIRES SYSTEMIC CHANGES**

- with professor Luc Stevens (Netherlands) and Professor Ferre Laevers (Belgium)
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 9 January 2007

- 3 THE QUALITY OF CHILD-ADULT RELATIONSHIPS IN FAMILIES AND SCHOOL**

- with Jesper Juul (Denmark)
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 6 March 2007

- 4 THE CHILD: HIS/HER NETWORKS AND NEIGHBOURHOOD**

- with René Diekstra
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 15 May 2007

- 5 HOW CAN WE IMPROVE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION THE EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATIONAL SYSTEMS**

- with John Bennett, the author of the OECD Study 'Starting Strong'
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 20 September 2007

- 6 HOW TO LET CHILDREN AND ADOLESCENTS ACQUIRE KEY COMPETENCES FOR THE WORLD OF THE 21ST CENTURY?**

- with Dr. Martina Leibovici-Mühlberger from Austria and Geseke Lundgren from Sweden
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 6 November 2007

2008

- 7 ATTACHMENT, WHAT IT IS, WHY IT IS IMPORTANT AND WHAT WE CAN DO ABOUT IT TO HELP YOUNG CHILDREN ACQUIRE A SECURE ATTACHMENT?**

- with Sir Richard Bowlby
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 8 January 2008

- 8 A VISION ON CHILDREN AND CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION**

- by Michiel Matthes
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 4 March 2008

- 9 THE CHANGING FACE OF ADOLESCENCE. ACCOUNTING FOR CHANGES IN ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT AND THEIR EFFECTS ON EDUCATION AND SOCIAL POLICIES**

- by Professor René Diekstra
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 14 May 2008

- 10 MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES IN THE KNOWLEDGE-BASED SOCIETY**

- by Professor Steen Hildebrandt (University of Aarhus, Denmark)
- host: MEP Rovana Plumb
- 1 July 2008

- 11 SOCIAL AND EMOTIONAL EDUCATION, AN INTERNATIONAL ANALYSIS**

- Presentation of the report of the Fundación Marcelino Botín by Christopher Clouder and Fátima Sánchez Santiago
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 16 September 2008

- 12 WHAT MEASURES CAN WE TAKE TO IMPROVE THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION?**

- by Professor Boris Cyrulnik from France
- host: MEP Rovana Plumb
- 12 November 2008

- 13 A EUROPEAN POLICY AGENDA FOR THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD WITH SPECIAL EMPHASIS ON THE CASE OF THE CHILDREN OF ROMANIAN MIGRANT WORKERS**

- Organisation of a Symposium in Bucharest, Romania at the request of MEP Mrs Rovana Plumb
- 17 November 2008

2009

- 14 DIVERSITY AND EQUITY IN EARLY CHILDHOOD SERVICES**

- by Dr. Michel Vandenbroeck (University of Ghent, Belgium)
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 27 January 2009

- 15 TAKING STOCK OF WHAT HAS BEEN ACHIEVED WITH THE WORKING GROUP SINCE DECEMBER 2006 AND LOOKING FORWARD**

- with Michiel Matthes, Secretary-General of the Alliance for Childhood European Network
- host: MEP Karin Resetarits
- 3 March 2009

- 16 YOUNG CHILDREN AND THEIR SERVICES: DEVELOPING A EUROPEAN APPROACH**

- by Professor Peter Moss (University of London)
- host: MEP Rovana Plumb
- 28 April 2009

- 17 CONTINUING TO WORK ON IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION DURING THE PRESENT ECONOMIC DOWNTURN**

- with Professor Emeritus Richard Wilkinson, co-author of the book 'The Spirit Level, Why More Equal Societies Almost Always do Better'
- host: MEP Rovana Plumb
- 8 September 2009

- 18 DEVELOPING A EUROPEAN RESEARCH AGENDA FOR FAMILIES AND FAMILY POLICIES**

- The Technical University of Dortmund won the tender issued by the European Commission to execute a Research Project to identify the key research questions regarding families and family policies. The leader of this project, Professor Dr. Uwe Uhlenndorff gave a briefing on this Project and spoke about it.
- host: MEP Livia Járóka
- 17 November 2009

- 19 WHY LOVE MATTERS: HOW AFFECTION SHAPES A BABY'S BRAIN, AND THE POLICY REQUIREMENTS IN THIS RESPECT**

- with Sue Gerhardt, author of the book with the similar title
- host: MEP Evelyn Regner
- 8 December 2009

2010

- 20 THE PISA STUDY AND LESSONS LEARNED REGARDING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD**

- with Andreas Schleicher, Head of the Indicators and Analysis Division of the OECD Directorate for Education
- host: MEP Evelyn Regner
- 12 January 2010

- 21 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION: THE CASE OF ROMA CHILDREN**

- with Ivan Ivanov, Executive Director of the European Roma Information Office (ERIO) and Bernard Rorke, Director of the Roma Initiative Programs of the Open Society Institute (OSI)
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 2 March 2010

- 22 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION: THE ASPECT OF PARENTAL LEAVE POLICIES**

- by Professor Peter Moss of the Thomas Coram Research Unit, Institute of Education, University of London
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 13 April 2010

- 23 THE CITY FOR THE CHILDREN**

- key-note speaker: Vanessa Pallucchi, Director for Education of Legambiente, Rome, Italy
- host: MEP Vittorio Prodi and MEP Karin Kadenbach
- 8 June 2010

24 THE IMPACT OF TELEVISION AND SCREEN MEDIA ON THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD AND WHAT ARE GOOD POLICIES IN THIS RESPECT ON THE LEVEL OF THE FAMILY, ON THE LEVEL OF THE COUNTRY AND ON THE EU LEVEL?

- with Dr. Aric Sigman, author of the book 'Remotely controlled, how television is damaging our lives'
- host: MEP Karin Kadenbach
- 31 August 2010

25 THE PROPOSED RESEARCH AGENDA FOR THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION RE FAMILIES AND FAMILY POLICIES

- with Professor Dr. Uwe Uhlendorff of the Technical University Dortmund, Germany
- host: MEP Mr Gerald Häfner
- 17 November 2010

2011

26 THE QUALITY OF THE PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT OF THE CHILD, THE CURRENT PROBLEMS IN THIS AREA, AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

- together with the Health and Environment Alliance and the INCHES Network
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 11 January 2011

27 EDUCATING THE ART OF LIFE: RESILIENCE AND CREATIVITY IN CONTEMPORARY EDUCATION

- with David Brierley, Associate Professor at the Rudolf Steiner University College, Oslo Norway
- host: MEP Evelyn Regner
- 1 March 2011

28 A REFLECTION ON THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION'S HIGH LEVEL GROUP ON LITERACY

- with emeritus Professor Margaret Clark from the UK
- host: MEP Lambert van Nistelrooij
- 29 March 2011

29 LEARNING TO MOVE AND MOVING TO LEARN. WHY PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE EARLY YEARS SUPPORTS LATER LEARNING, BEHAVIOUR AND ACHIEVEMENT

- with Sally Goddard Blythe, Director of The Institute for Neuro-Physiological Psychology in the UK
- host: MEP Edward McMillan-Scott
- 31 May 2011

30 LEARNING FOR WELL-BEING: A POLICY PRIORITY FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN EUROPE, A MOVEMENT FOR CHANGE

- Presentation of the report, by Professor Ilona Kickbusch, Director of the Global Health Programme at the Graduate Institute of International Development Studies in Geneva
- host: MEP Karin Kadenbach
- 6 September 2011

31 ALCOHOL NATION, HOW TO PROTECT OUR CHILDREN FROM TODAY'S DRINKING CULTURE

- with Dr. Aric Sigman
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 8 November 2011

2012

32 PRESENTATION OF A PROPOSAL TO SET UP A EUROPEAN ACADEMY FOR COMPLEMENTARY PEDAGOGY

- by Jesper Juul
- host: MEP Judith Merkies
- 10 January 2012

33 WHAT CONTRIBUTION CAN THE DIGITAL ENVIRONMENT MAKE TO THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD?

- with Professor Martine Delfos from the Netherlands and Thibaut Kleiner of the Cabinet of Euro-commissioner Neelie Kroes
- host: MEP Evelyn Regner
- 6 March 2012

34 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD AS A CHALLENGE TO EUROPEAN INSTITUTIONS: REFLECTIONS FROM THE OMBUDSMEN FOR CHILDREN

- with Maria Kaisa Aula, the Finnish Ombudsman for Children
- host: MEP Liisa Jaakonsaari
- 11 April 2012

35 THE STATE OF AFFAIRS OF THE CHILD IN THE CITY, AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

- with Dr. Jan van Gils, President and founder of the European Network of Child Friendly Cities and President of the International Council for Children's Play
- host: MEP Karin Kadenbach
- 5 June 2012

36 500,000 PRETERM BIRTHS IN EUROPE EACH YEAR. WHAT ARE THE DANGERS, AND WHAT ARE THE MAIN COMPONENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL STRATEGY TO ADDRESS THIS CHALLENGE?

- with Professor Luc Zimmermann (Belgium / Netherlands), Professor Dominique Haumont (Belgium) and Silke Mader (Germany), all working with the European Foundation for the Care of Newborn Infants (EFCNI)
- host: MEP Peter Liese
- 4 September 2012

37 HOW CAN WE HELP CHILDREN TO REACH THEIR UNIQUE POTENTIAL AND HOW CAN WE SUPPORT THE PARENTS, CAREGIVERS AND TEACHERS IN THEIR ROLE VIS-À-VIS CHILDREN

- with Dr. Gordon Neufeld from Vancouver, Canada
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 13 November 2012

2013

38 CHILDREN AND THEIR CONNECTION WITH NATURE: WHY IT IS IMPORTANT AND HOW CAN IT BE STIMULATED?

- with Tim Gill from the UK
- hosts: MEP Judith Merkies and MEP Gerald Häfner
- 9 January 2013

39 IFFD'S FAMILY ENRICHMENT COURSES: THE CASE STUDY METHOD APPLIED TO FAMILY SETTINGS. WHAT IT IS AND HOW TO PROVIDE IT TO MORE FAMILIES?

- with Marina Robben, President of the International Federation For Family Development (IFFD)
- hosts: MEP Anneli Jäätteenmäki and MEP Anna Záborská
- 5 March 2013

40 FINLAND HAS THE BEST LITERACY SCORE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION. WHAT ARE THE MAIN ELEMENTS OF ITS STRATEGY AND TO WHAT EXTENT CAN IT BE COPIED BY OTHER COUNTRIES?

- with Professor Heikki Lyytinen
- host: MEP Liisa Jaakonsaari
- 9 April 2013

41 THE COMMERCIALISATION OF CHILDHOOD IN THE USA: WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION, TO WHAT EXTENT IS IT HARMFUL FOR CHILDREN, WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE AND WHAT ARE THE LESSONS FOR THE EUROPEAN UNION?

- with Susan Linn, Founder and Director of the 'Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood'
- host: MEP Anna Záborská
- 4 June 2013

42 THE HUMAN BIOTECHNOLOGY REVOLUTION IS OPENING THE DOOR TO THE CREATION OF GENETICALLY MODIFIED 'DESIGNER BABIES': WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION?, WHAT IS AT STAKE AT THE MOMENT?, WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?, AND WHAT ROLE COULD THE EUROPEAN UNION PLAY IN THIS RESPECT?

- with Enola Aird, Founder and Director of 'Mothers for a Human Future'
- host: MEP Anna Záborská
- 3 September 2013

43 POSITIVE HUMAN DEVELOPMENT: A SPONTANEOUS OR GUIDED PROCESS? 45 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE WITH LONGITUDINAL RESEARCH AND THE POLICY LESSONS THAT CAN BE DRAWN FROM IT

- with Professor Lea Pulkkinen
- host: MEP Anneli Jäätteenmäki
- 12 November 2013

2014

44 EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE (ECEC) SYSTEMS IN EUROPE: WHAT ARE THE CURRENT TRENDS AND WHAT NEEDS TO BE DONE?

- with Professor Dr. Mathias Urban, Professor of Early Childhood and Director of the Early Childhood Research Centre, University of Roehampton, London, Great Britain
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 7 January 2014

45 PARENTS' PARTNERSHIP STABILITY AND QUALITY AS A CONTEXT FOR CHILD DEVELOPMENT. WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES, AND WHAT POLICIES AND PROGRAMMES ARE IN PLACE? SOME INSIGHTS FROM GERMANY

- with Professor Dr. Sabine Walper, Research Director of the German Youth Institute in Munich, Germany
- host: MEP Jürgen Klute
- 4 March 2014

46 MAKE THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT A GLOBAL CHILD RIGHTS CHAMPION

- Presentations given by members of the Child Rights Action Group (CRAG) a.o. Jana Hainsworth of Eurochild, Deirdre de Burca of World Vision and Lilana Keith of PICUM.
- host: MEP Gerald Häfner
- 18 June 2014

47 YOUTH EMPLOYMENT IN THE EU MEMBER STATES: WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION?, AND WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION IN THE DOMAIN OF THE YOUTH INITIATIVE AND THE YOUTH GUARANTEE? DISCUSSION OF THE COMMISSION'S COUNTRY SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS

- with Jeroen Jutte of the European Commission, Head of Unit, DG EMPL, Unit C1 European Employment Strategy and Governance
- host: MEP Julie Ward
- 8 July 2014

48 DEVELOPING INCLUSIVE SYSTEMS ACROSS EDUCATION, HEALTH AND SOCIAL SECTORS FOR EARLY SCHOOL LEAVING PREVENTION

- with Dr. Paul Downes of Saint Patrick's College, Dublin City University
- host: MEP Julie Ward
- 9 September 2014

49 THE MENTAL HEALTH SITUATION OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE EUROPEAN UNION: WHAT IS THE CURRENT SITUATION AND WHAT COULD BE DONE?

- with Professor Ulrike Ravens-Sieberer and Dr. Veronika Ottova-Jordan
- host: MEP Anna Hedh
- 18 November 2014

2015

50 THE EFFECT OF THE GREAT RECESSION ON SOUTHERN EUROPEAN CHILDREN'S AND ADOLESCENTS' ADAPTATION AND WELL-BEING: RISKS AND RESILIENCE PROCESSES. WHAT IS NECESSARY AT THIS MOMENT?

- with Professor Frosso Motti-Stefanidi, PhD
- host: MEP Kostas Chrysogonos
- 6 January 2015

51 4000 CITY COUNCILS FOR CHILDREN IN FRANCE: HOW DO THEY OPERATE AND WHAT MAKES THEM SUCCESSFUL?

- with Jonathan Lévy
- Host: MEP József Nagy
- 3 March 2015

52 CHILDREN'S WELL-BEING INDICATORS: A POWERFUL TOOL TO IMPROVE THE WELL-BEING OF CHILDREN. LAUNCH OF THE EUROPEAN REPORT OF CHILDREN'S WORLDS

- with Professor Ferran Casas, Professor Sabine Andresen and Professor Jonathan Bradshaw
- Host: MEP Nathalie Griesbeck
- 13 May 2015

53 HEALTH ASSETS FOR YOUNG PEOPLE'S HEALTH AND WELL-BEING. A NEW BASIS FOR A SET OF INDICATORS FOR POLICY AND PRACTICE?

- with Dr Antony Morgan from the Glasgow Caledonian University, London Campus, UK
- Host: MEP Marie Arena and MEP Jana Zitnanska
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- with Dr. Marwan Awartani
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YEARBOOKS

FIVE YEARBOOKS HAVE BEEN PUBLISHED WITH THE REPORTS OF THESE SESSIONS

1 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN THE EUROPEAN UNION: CURRENT PERSPECTIVES

- session 1 – 16

2 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN EUROPE 2011, VOLUME 2

- session 17 – 23

3 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN EUROPE 2012, VOLUME 3

- session 24 – 30

4 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN EUROPE 2013, VOLUME 4

- session 31 – 37

5 IMPROVING THE QUALITY OF CHILDHOOD IN EUROPE 2014, VOLUME 5

- session 28 – 44

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