

The Role of Intercultural Dialogue in Managing Diversity in Europe

Wednesday, November 18th 2020

Session 1: Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue in Europe - EU Citizens and the Others

16:00- 18:00 [Athens time]

Cultural Diversity in the EU: Theoretical Insights and Critical Notes on the EU Migration Policy, in the Context of the Refugee Crisis

Nikolaos Papadakis, *Professor, Department of Political Science, University of Crete, Deputy Director, University of Crete Research Centre for Humanities, Social and Education Sciences, Director, Centre for Political Research and Documentation, Crete, Greece*

Interculturalism and Minority Rights

Alexandra Xanthaki, *Professor, Director of Research, Law School, Brunel University, United Kingdom*

Intercultural and Interreligious Dialogue

Despoina Anagnostopoulou, *Associate Professor, Department of International and European Studies, University of Macedonia, Academic Coordinator, Jean Monnet Project EUVaDiS, Thessaloniki, Greece*

Religion, Education and Peacemaking in the Postmodern Era

Georgios Mavrommatis, *Associate Professor, Department of Preschool Education, Democritus University of Thrace, Greece*

Best Practices of Intercultural and Interreligious Contacts in Russia

Iulia Sushkova, *Dean, Professor, Law Faculty, Ogarev Mordovia State University, Jean Monnet Chair-holder, Saransk, Russia*

Session 2: Cultural Diversity – Reconciling the Differences

18:15-20:30 [Athens time]

Building Resilience through the Development of Intercultural Competencies: Story Circles

Joyce Monteiro, *Associate Programme Specialist, UNESCO, Paris, France*

People to People Intercultural Communication and Diplomacy: The US-Pakistan Academic Exchange

Eirini Gouleta, *Associate Professor, Department of Educational & Social Policy, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece*

Intercultural Mediation as a Policy of Managing the Migration-Refugee Issue

Dr. Maria Vlachadi, *Department of Computer Science and Telecommunications, University of Thessaly, Lamia, Greece*

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Session 3: Intercultural Education – New Concepts and Best Practices

16:00- 18:00 [Athens time]

An Analysis of Globalization and Cultural Localization in the Perspective of Constructivism

Tien-Hui Chiang, *Distinguished Professor, Academy of Globalization and Education Policy, Zhengzhou University, China, Vice-president, RCO4, International Sociological Association*

Intercultural Education and the Pursuit of Social Justice: Paradoxes, Challenges and Opportunities

Concepción Maiztegui Oñate, *Professor, Universidad de Deusto, Spain*

On Borders, Limits and boundaries: Bridging HR and Intercultural Education in Second Modernity

Christos N. Tsironis, *Associate Professor, Department of Ethics and Sociology, Faculty of Theology, Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, Director, Social Research Centre for Culture and Religion, Thessaloniki, Greece*

Intercultural Dimensions in the Educational Policy of the EU

Sofia Boutsiouki, *Assistant Professor, Department of International and European Studies, University of Macedonia, Thessaloniki, Greece*

The Promotion of Intercultural Dialogue in Schools through Intangible Cultural Heritage

Vera Dilari, *MSc, National Coordinator ASP net-UNESCO Greece, Scientific Partner of Laboratory of Education Policy, Research, Development and Interuniversity Cooperation, University of Piraeus.*

Katerina Christodoulou, *EFL and CLIL Teacher, Ralleio Lykeio Thileon Greece*

Session 4: Interreligious Dialogue

18:15-20:30 [Athens time]

Religious Peacemaking: the Role and Contribution in Conflict Prevention

Lidija Georgieva, *Professor, UNESCO Chair Holder “Intercultural Studies and Research” (2014-2018), University St Cyril and Methodius, Republic of North Macedonia*

Knowledge and Acknowledgment: the New Challenge of Interreligious Dialogue

Alberto Melloni, *Professor, University of Modena-Reggio, Director, John XXIII Foundation for Religious Studies, UNESCO Chair Holder “Religious Pluralism and Peace”, University of Bologna*

Interfaith Dialogue for Combatting Extremism among Young People

Dr. Richard Willson, *Research Associate, European University Institute, Italy*