

Programme

Sunday 2 June Hotel Hannong, 15 rue du 22 novembre, Strasbourg

17:30	Registration
18:15 – 19:15	Annual General Meeting of the EAN
19:30 – 20:30	Welcome drinks reception

Monday 3 June The Agora, Council of Europe

08:00 – 09:00 **Collect name badges and go through security gate (passport or photo ID required)**

09:00 – 10:00 **Plenary 1: The Access Evolution – is it too slow?**
Chair: **Mary Tupan-Wenno**, EAN President and Director, ECHO, Netherlands

Keynotes:

A brief history of Access

EAN & Council of Europe

Access denied? A global perspective

Eva Egron-Polak, Secretary-General, International Association of Universities

Widening Participation in HE: Africa in Focus

Prof Julia Preece, University of Kwazulu-Natal, South Africa

10:00 – 10:25 Coffee break

10:30 – 11:10 Panel discussion:
The winning recipe: ingredients for success in Access & WP
Moderator: **Jamie Merisotis**, President, Lumina Foundation for Education, USA
Prof Alain Beretz, President, University of Strasbourg, France
Joseph Budu, Registrar, University of Ghana, Africa
Prof Les Ebdon, Director, Office for Fair Access (OFFA), UK
Florian Kaiser, European Students' Union, Belgium
Prof Julia Preece, University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa
Snežana Samardžić-Marković, Director General of Democracy, or
Ólöf Ólafsdóttir, Director of Democratic Citizenship and Participation, Council of Europe

11:15 – 12:15 **Parallel paper sessions 1**

1.1 ***Adjusting university entry criteria based on school attended – lessons learned 10 years on***

John Hammond, Associate Dean (Widening Participation), St George's, University of London, UK

1.2 ***Who is learning from whom? Access to higher education in transitional industrialised countries***

Prof. Dr. Blazanka Divjak, Vice-Rector, University of Zagreb, Croatia

- 1.3 ***Broadening horizons: the impact of Early College Programs***
Dr Ngondi Kamatuka & Rebecca Dukstein, Director, University of Kansas, Center for Educational Opportunity Programs & Talents, USA
- 1.4 ***Council of Educators of Toronto: a place-based approach to clarifying pathways to post-secondary education***
Helen Tewolde, Project Manager, Council of Educators of Toronto, Canada
- 1.5 ***The politics of participation: how to convince governments that widening access to HE matters***
Dr Graeme Atherton, Director, National Education Opportunities Network, UK
- 1.6 ***Showcasing cultural and linguistic diversity in the media: a university/industry case study***
Dr Richard Reed, Research Fellow, Macquarie University, Australia

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch

14:15 – 15:15 ***What is Access and Widening Participation? Let us hear from you!***

Chair: **Willy Aastrup**, Aarhus University, Denmark

Facilitator: **Tricia Jenkins MBE**, University of Liverpool, UK

Exchanging of views to foster better understanding of Access and WP across continents

15:15 – 16:00 The 12th Maggie Woodrow Memorial Lecture

Chair: **Fran Ferrier**, Executive Director, EAN

Quality, Excellence and the Social Dimension: what is the connection?

Sjur Bergan, Head of Education Department, Council of Europe

16:00 – 16:30 ***Coffee and End of Day 1***

Tuesday 4 June The Agora, Council of Europe

09:00 – 10:45 **Plenary 2: Inclusive higher education: the state of affair in Europe**

Chair: **David Goldman**, Salzburg Global Seminar, Austria

Keynotes:

Modernisation of higher education for social inclusion: an audit

David Crosier, Eurydice Network, Brussels, Belgium

Higher Education investments in crisis?

Andrée Sursock, Senior Advisor, European University Association, Belgium

Roundtable:

A stimulus package for Access – the carrot, the stick and what else?

Moderator: **Germain Dondelinger**, Luxembourg Ministry & Vice-Chair of the Council of Europe's Steering Committee for Education and Practice (CDPPE)

Mercy Haizel Ashia, University of Ghana, Africa
David Crosier, Eurydice Network
Prof Les Ebdon, Director, Office for Fair Access
Jochen Fried, Salzburg Global Seminar, Austria
Vanja Ivošević, Center for Education Policy, Beograd, Serbia
Andrée Sursock, European University Association

10:45 – 11:10

Coffee break

11:15 – 12:15

Ensuring Quality Education: Access and Quality of Education

Chair: **Steve Kendall**, Director, Widening Participation, University of Bedfordshire, UK

Germain Dondelinger, Luxembourg Ministry & Vice-Chair of the Council of Europe's Steering Committee for Education and Practice (CDPPE)

Vanja Ivošević, Center for Education Policy, Beograd, Serbia

12:30 – 14:00

Lunch

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Parallel Paper Sessions 2

2.1 ***Why AP? Rigorous curriculum leads to undergraduate and graduate school success***

Joseph Green, Executive Director, Educational Opportunity Program, Marquette University, USA

College completion threatened by income-based inequality. How WP/Access programs can address national completion goals

Tracy Lyons, Director, University of Alabama – TRIO Program, USA

2.2 ***Tightening public investment in higher education: can 'access work' survive?***

Dr Kerry Ferguson, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Equity & Student Services), La Trobe University, Australia

Access in contemporary conditions: strategic institutional responses to external policies and pressures

Prof Ian McNay, Professor Emeritus, Higher Education & Management, University of Greenwich, UK

2.3 ***How is Ireland performing on equality of access to higher education? A review of progress on national targets***

Orla Christle, Senior Policy Analyst, Higher Education Authority, Ireland

Widening the base for high quality student recruitment: alternative admissions schemes for disadvantaged students

Martha Brandes, Outreach Project Officer, MAP, NUI Maynooth;
Grace Edge, National Co-ordinator HEAR & DARE, Trinity College Dublin;
Aisling Palmer, Disability Officer, NUI Galway;
Fiona Sweeney, Access Centre Manager, University College Dublin, Ireland

2.4 ***Widening participation and the Bologna Process: new visions of higher education***

Willy Aastrup, Chief Adviser, Aarhus University, Denmark

The European Union's growth strategy and the Bologna Process: enhancing wider participation and employability

Assist. Prof. Fatma Serbest, Teaching Staff, İstanbul Kültür University, Turkey

2.5 ***Divided by numbers – minimum resources, maximum opportunities***

Lobke Dedrie, Entrance Policy Officer, Artevelde University College Ghent, Belgium

Universal Design – when the concerns for access of a minority become the tools of the majority

Frederic Fovet, Director, Officer for Students with Disabilities, McGill University, Canada

16:00 – 16:30

Coffee and End of Day 2

20:00

Conference dinner at belle epoch Brasserie Flo (optional)

Wednesday 5 June

The Agora, Council of Europe

09:00 – 10:15

Plenary 3: The Access crystal ball: what does the future hold?

Chair: **Prof Kerry Ferguson**, Pro Vice-Chancellor, La Trobe University, Australia

Romani involvement in higher education: a balance sheet of actual practice

Facilitator: **Aurora Ailincăi**, Adviser on Education Policies for Roma, Council of Europe

Initiator: **Sarah Carmona**, PhD, Assistant Professor (ATER), University of Provence, France

Diana Kirilova, PhD, Anthropology & Philosophy of Education, Legal Expert in Romani language at the Court of Appeal, Paris, France

Dr Adrian Marsh, Senior Programme Manager, Roma, Open Society Foundations, UK

Drd Ciprian Necula, President, Romano ButiQ, Bucharest, Romania

10:15 – 10:35

Coffee break

10:40 – 11:40

Parallel paper sessions 3

3.1 ***Open University in Upper Bavaria (OH0) – combine vocational training with education in higher education***

Renate Heese, Project Manager, Hochschule München, Germany

- 3.2 ***Achieving national participation goals in Australia: how will universities deal with the shifting ground?***
 Prof Sue Willis, Pro Vice-Chancellor (Social Inclusion), Monash University, Australia
- 3.3 ***Closing the opportunity divide in the US: professional training corps in higher education***
 Dr Noel Anderson, National Senior Director of Program, Year Up, Inc, USA
- 3.4 ***An evolution of access? One OER and two cross-institutional and cross-sector case studies***
 Dr Lindsay Ann Hewitt, Learning & Teaching Co-ordinator (WP), the Open University in Scotland, UK
- 3.5 ***Students as experts: expanding the student voice from ‘student-as-student’ to ‘student-as-community’***
 Dr Chris Klinger, Programme Director, University of South Australia, Australia
 Assoc Prof Neil Murray, Director of Language Programmes, University of Warwick, UK
- 3.6 ***“We do not inherit the Earth from our ancestors – we borrow it from our children”***
 Tricia Jenkins MBE, Director, International Centre for Excellence in Educational Opportunities, University of Liverpool, UK
- 11:45 – 11:55 Short break
- 12:00 – 12:30 Panel discussion:
The World Wide Access Web: co-operation for collective impact
 Moderator: **Dr Maurits van Rooijen**, Rector & CEO, London School of Business & Finance, UK
- Sjur Bergan**, Council of Europe
Prof Stuart Billingham, Chair, EAN World Congress Committee, UK
Michelle Asha Cooper, President, IHEP, USA
David Goldman, Salzburg Global Seminar, Austria
Dr Ciprian Necula, President, Romano ButiQ, Bucharest, Romania
Katja Urbatsch, Arbeiterkind, Germany
- 12:30 – 13:00 **Conclusions and recommendations** for the 1st EAN World Congress Series
Access to Post-secondary Education: Connecting the Unconnected
 (7th – 10th October 2013, Montreal, Canada)
Diana Wickham, World Congress Committee, Canada
- Look forward to Edinburgh 2014**
Kathleen Hood, Head of Widening Participation, University of Edinburgh, Scotland
- 13:15 – 14:30 **End of conference and Lunch**