

Symposium Monday 18.09.2017

HAND in HAND

social and emotional competencies
for tolerant and non-discriminative
societies



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Hand in Hand
Social and Emotional Skills for Tolerant and Non-discriminative Societies
(A World School Approach)

Hand in Hand Symposium:

Monday 18.09.2017, 9:00 – 16:00, at VIA University College, Campus Aarhus C, Ceresbyen 24, Ceres Auditorium in the A-building (A 0.41).

Background and purpose

The symposium is arranged in the context of the newly started EU-financed project called HAND in HAND, and representatives from the international partner-organisations are invited to the symposium as participants. Therefore, the conference language is English.

The purpose is to raise some generic perspectives to inspire classroom learning activities and school development focused on social, emotional, relational and intercultural competencies.

Participants

The symposium is open for both teachers and school leaders, students and employees from VIA educations, and for other interested, e.g. researchers.

Practical information

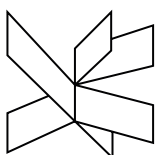
The symposium-fee, including coffee, lunch etc., kr. 450,- must be paid when registering for the symposium.

Students can participate for free (without lunch), but registration is necessary.

You register at the following link:
www.viacfu.dk/CFU17263

The Hand in Hand project

The Hand in Hand project is just initiated in 2017 and is running for 3 years. The purpose is to design and test a generic whole school approach for development of social, emotional and intercultural competencies (SEI competencies). The project is targeting the need experienced in Europe and internationally for building more tolerant and non-discriminant environments (schools) for every student to feel accepted and be able to reach his or hers potential including immigrant and refugee students. Educational institutes and schools from both Sweden, Germany, Croatia and Slovenia are involved, project coordination is by Educational Research Institute, Slovenia. From Denmark VIA participates in cooperation with the "Danish Society for the Promotion of Life Wisdom in Children". The project is inspired both by substantial international research and former projects like VIAs Relational Competencies project 2012-16.



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- 9.00 – 9.30** **Welcome by Birgitte Lund Nielsen, head of the Danish group in the Hand in Hand project (HiH), together with Helle Jensen, head of the teacher-training program in HiH.**
- Short presentation of the HiH project.
- 9.30 – 11.00** **Recognizing the Other: Mindfulness, empathy and compassion as social-emotional and intercultural skills. Perspectives from the social, cognitive and behavioural sciences.**
- by Martijn van Beek, Ph.D., Assoc. professor at the University of Aarhus, Interacting Mind Centre and Department of Anthropology will offer a review of insights from scientific research, focusing on youth and young adults. Van Beek has done extensive research on the dynamics of ethnic and religious conflict and on the science of contemplative practice.
- 11.00 - 11.30** **Coffee Break**
- 11.30 – 13.00** **Traumas, Living Complex Systems and Resilience.**
- In the perspective presented here, traumas are always a systemic reaction, which subsequently unfolds as systemic dysfunction via the daily expressions of trauma. Regeneration and adaptability via biomarkers - everyday expressions of resilience.
- by Michael Stubberup, B.A. and M.A., author. With a background as founder and Managing Director at SYNERGAIA Rehabilitation and SYNERGAIA Innovation, he will share his experience in working with refugees with traumas.
- 13.00 – 14.00** **Lunch Break**
- 14.00 – 15.30** **The quality of dialogue is the key to inclusion and integration regardless of ethnic and cultural background.**
- by Jesper Juul, Family therapist, author, and founder of the organization family-lab, which operates in several countries, <http://www.family-lab.com> He has been teaching relational competence internationally, including in Croatia during and after the civil war.
- 15.30 – 16.00** **Closure**

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