

# About Early Years Blog

## Diversity and social inclusion in European ECEC

The blog aims at a European audience of ECEC experts, such as teacher educators and trainers, policy makers, expert teachers and researchers. Central topics are high-quality practices in ECEC, valuing diversity and multilingualism, supporting disadvantaged children and promoting equality.

## A bridge between research and practice

Although there is a growing research base on what works, these insights are not yet adopted in practice on a large scale. Our bloggers aim to make scientific research accessible and attractive. They will encourage you to reflect on current practices and innovations, and to support your inquiring and innovative attitude.

## This blog is the fruit of a European collaboration between:

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A research-based blog for  
early years experts in Europe



## Invitation for future bloggers

## Why contribute to our blog?

### Spread your insights

Do you wish to support high-quality ECEC and interact directly with policymakers, trainers and expert-teachers? Do you want European expertise to cross national borders easily?

This blog will help you reach European experts in the field of ECEC in an easy way. Instead of reaching 25 attendees at an international conference, you will reach about 600 readers.

### Extend your network

Bloggng is an excellent way to extend your network and become more visible as an expert.

Our bloggers gained more opportunities for dissemination through talks and field-oriented publications. They were invited to advise policymakers or collaborate on new projects.

### Write to learn more

Writing blog messages is an excellent way to keep up with the research literature and understand its implications for practice.

*“It was a challenging experience to write for the blog. It forced me to put myself in the place of the professionals, to adjust my form of scientific writing to more accessible writing for people with less research experience and to direct writing to the needs of the field. This challenge also contributed to my professional practice as a trainer.” (blogger)*

## How to collaborate with us?

### Get in touch and discuss your blog idea with us before you start writing!

We publish three types of posts:

- Research updates
- Good practices
- Reflections

Blog posts should be newsworthy for a European audience with a good background in ECEC.

Blog posts have an empirical orientation, and they may never go against solid scientific evidence. Posts with commercial goals are excluded.

You may re-blog blog posts that have already been published on a website for a national audience.

As soon as your blog idea is taken up, you can start writing, with the help of our writing tips. This includes finding a good picture with the appropriate rights for publication on the internet.

You will receive feedback based on our [quality guidelines](#). If the blogpost meets these standards, it will be published.

As long as you are a guest blogger, we will upload your text on our platform. Regular bloggers may receive a writer's account on our platform.



Guidelines for guest bloggers