

EPALE Community Conference 2020

*Shaping the Future of Adult
Learning in Europe*

6-7-8th October 2020

updated on 7th September 2020





Day 1 - Tuesday 6th

10.00-13.00 CEST

Digital Learning & Skills: Managing change, embracing transformation

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10.00-10.15 CEST

Opening

Manuela Geleng – Director for Skills, European Commission - Directorate General for Employment –TBD

10.15-11.00 CEST

Keynote Speech followed by a Q&A

Donald Clark – EdTech Entrepreneur, CEO, Professor, Researcher, Author, Blogger and Speaker

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11.00-11.45 CEST

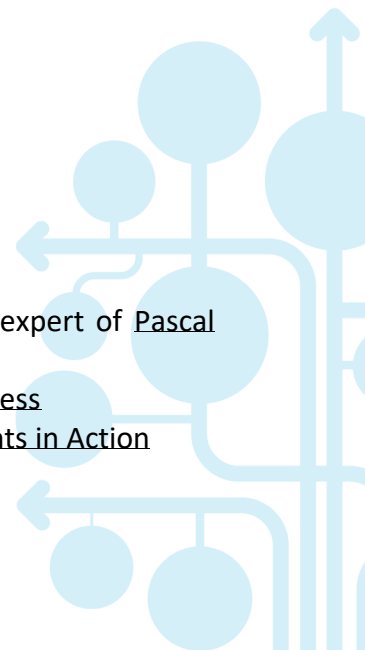
Panel discussion followed by a Q&A

EPALE Talks: Inspiring Stories from the EPALE community

Speakers:

- **Henrik Zipsane** – Guest professor at Linköping University and associate expert of Pascal Observatory at Glasgow University
- **Joe Houghton** – Program Director at UCD Smurfit Graduate School of Business
- **Daniela Dandric** – Head of the Reproductive Rights Program at Roda, Parents in Action

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11.45-12.00 CEST

AFK - Away From Keyboard: a few minutes to rest a bit

12.00-12.50 CEST

Panel discussion followed by a Q&A

Upskilling for life after the pandemic: digital tools and practices

Speakers:

- **Clara Centeno** – Senior Researcher, Human Capital and Employment at European Commission – [Joint Research Center \(JRC\)](#)
- **Oliver Simko** – Founder and lead designer at [Luducrafts](#)
- **Celia Sokolowsky** – Project leader of [VHS-Lernportal](#), German Adult Education Association
- **Radek Czahajda** – Evidence Based Trainer, founder of [Trainers' Forum](#) and EPALe ambassador

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12.50-13.00 CEST

Wrapping up session drawing conclusions on the main recommendations for the future Adult Learning agenda

NATIONAL PANELS

14.30-16.00 EEST

NSS Finland National Panel

Aikuisten perustaidot ja osaaminen digiyhteiskunnassa

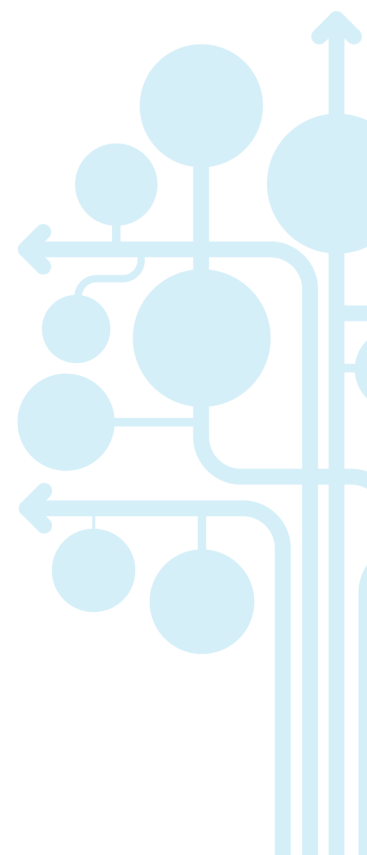
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15.00- 17.00 CEST

NSS Belgium NL National Panel

Levenslang leren, levenslang erkennen / HackYourFuture

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Day 2 - Wednesday 7th

10.00-12.45 CEST

Joining forces to provide lifelong upskilling: building stakeholder collaboration

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10.00-11.00 CEST

Panel discussion followed by a Q&A

The example of Upskilling Pathways

Speakers:

- **Martina Ní Cheallaigh** – European Commission - Directorate General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion
- **Graciela Sbertoli** – Secretary General of European Basic Skills Network (EBSN)
- **Christianne Fenech** – Ministry of Education in Malta

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11.00-12.00 CEST

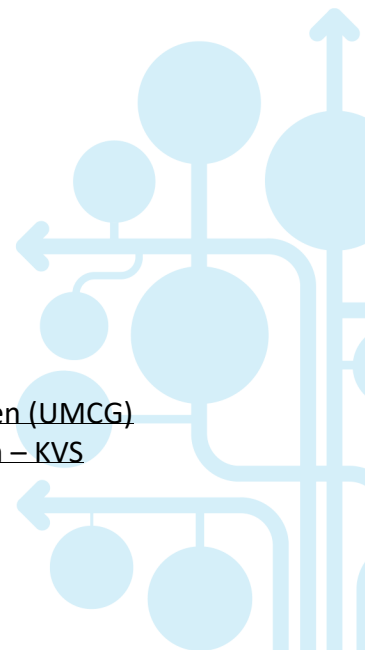
Parallel Workshops: Engaging stakeholders outside education

Adult learning, education and health

Speakers:

- **Jaap Koot** – Research Coordinator at University Medical Centre in Groningen (UMCG)
- **Anne Tastula** – Project Coordinator at Finnish Lifelong Learning Foundation – KVS

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Basic skills interventions for resilient citizens and communities

Speakers:

- **Jorge Oliveira** – Coordinator at [Centro Qualifica da Profisousa](#)
- **Clare McNally** – Communications Manager at [National Adult Literacy Agency \(NALA\)](#)
- **Jan Evensen** – Manager of Education and Training at [Fønix As](#)

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12.15-12.45 CEST

Wrapping up session drawing conclusions on the main recommendations for the future Adult Learning agenda and presentation of the results of the workshops

NATIONAL PANELS

15.00-16.00 CEST

NSS Italy National Panel

Giustizia riparativa, luogo di mediazione sociale

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15.00-16.30 CEST

NSS Germany National Panel

Erfolgreich im digitalen Raum Lehren und Lernen - Demokratie, Inklusion, Grundkompetenzen

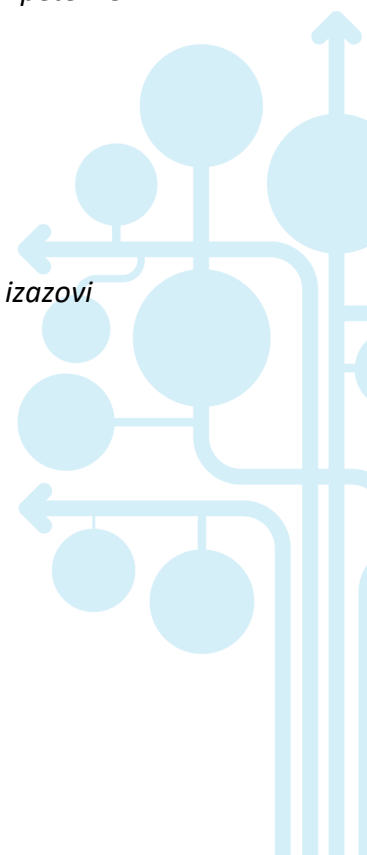
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NSS Montenegro National Panel

Uticaj pandemije COVID-19 na budući razvoj sistema obrazovanja odraslih - ključni izazovi

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Day 3 - Thursday 8th

10.00-13.30

Social Inclusion & Democracy: Opportunities for change

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Keynote Speech followed by a Q&A

Koen Timmers – Educator, author, researcher, lecturer and speaker, nominated twice as *Global teacher of the year*

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10.30-11.30 CEST

Panel discussion followed by a Q&A

Taking adult learning forward: What opportunities can be drawn from the COVID-19 crisis for Education, Sustainable Development, Social fairness and cohesion, and Democratic values

- **José Roberto Guevara** – Associate Professor of International Development at the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
- **David Atchoarena** – Director of the Division for Policies and Lifelong Learning Systems at UNESCO
- **Shirley Walters** – Professor Emerita at the University of Western Cape, South Africa and president of PASCAL International Membership Association (PIMA)
- **Uwe Gartenschlaeger** – President of The European Association for the Education of Adults (EAEA)
- **Timothy Ireland** – Vice-president for Latin America of the International Council for Adult Education (ICAE)

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11.30-12.30 CEST

Parallel Workshops: Empowering social change through Adult Education

Adult Education for democracy and value

Speakers:

- **Maja Maksimovic** – Assistant Professor at the Department of Pedagogy and Andragogy, University of Belgrade
- **Gerhard Bisovsky** – Secretary General of The Association of Austrian Adult Education Centre (VOEV)

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Patterns of inclusion: building digital citizenship

Speakers:

- **Laurentiu Bunescu** – Head of Digital Education Programmes at Fundatia EOS - Educating for an Open Society
- **Gema Parrado** – Project coordinator at Asociación de Universidades Populares de Extremadura (AUPEX)

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Presentation of results of the workshops and national panels

13.15- 13.30 CEST

Closing

European Commission – Directorate General for Education and Culture – **TBD**

