



Blended Intensive Programme – Erasmus

Title:

Children and families in an era of uncertainties: Challenges and Critical Perspectives for Social Interventions with Diversities.

Friday 12 April 2024 On line meeting : Introduction to the course and to the City of Komotini

Monday 15 April 2024

9.30 am Amphitheatre in the Municipality of Komotini

Welcome - Address : Democritus University Rector ,

Dean of School of Social Economic and Political Sciences : Prof Sevaste Chatzifotiu

- Ms Kleopatra Stogiannidou -Social Policy Vice Mayor :Municipality of Komotini Social Services –
Networking Services in The Local Community ,
- Dr. Alex Taxildaris and Ms Vildan Yiousouf : **“Perpato”** Association for the Disabled in Komotini,
- Prof. Naumiuk, Agnieska University of Warsaw

“Citizen-led social services. Between the roles of recipients, advocates and service providers.”

- Prof Michael Russel , Inssburg University

“Anti-poverty interventions”

Divide students in International Groups

Visit Local Authorities SS and NGOs for children and youth services

Lunch 1.30-3.00 pm.

Workshops -Group discussions 3-4.30pm

- Prof. Dr. Aylin Gürbüz and Doctorate student Nur Erdem Cebeci
“Transparency Technique on teaching fine art for teachers”

Welcome Events 6- 9 pm : Socio-cultural Event with Traditional Dances and traditional Products from Eastern Macedonia and Thrace at The University Campus TEFAA

Tuesday 16 April 2024

8.00 am Field Trip to Soufli -Orestiada and Evros- The Forest of Dadia

9.30 am A Short Visit to Soufli –

11.00 am Welcome address Mayor of Orestiada Mr Diamantis Papadopoulos

- Paraskevi Karafotiou (social worker)

“The Community Center with Branch for Roma of the Municipality of Orestiada: benefit policy, actions and cooperation with other social structures»

Climate Change and Disasters : Refugees, Crises and Resilience

- Panagiotis Pentaris, Assoc Professor, Goldsmith University, London
Disaster Social Work with crises and disasters

- Prof. Agapi Kandylaki, Dr. Olga Katsiani and Dr Stavros Fragkos Democritus University of Thrace
Social Work in Local Authorities and Educational Counselling services in an era of uncertainties: The experience of dealing with crises and national disasters

- Mr Diamantis Myrtsidis (PhD Candidate, Community Centre Alexandroupolis)

“Forests as natural ecosystems and their contribution in fire protection: The role of the Social Services of Alexandroupolis Municipality in the fire of 2023a”

Lunch 13.00- 14.00 pm

14.00- 16.00

Refugees and Unaccompanied minors : Emerging challenges and best practices

- Dr. Katerina Oikonomou, Ass. Prof. ELMEPA-Crete

“Critical SW and Unaccompanied minors : Best practices for social inclusion”

- Mr. Margaritis Petritzikis, Head of UNHCR FU, Evros

The role of UNHCR in Evros region and challenges

- Dr Eleni Koutsouraki, Ass. Prof. ELMEPA Crete

“Family Reunification of refugees in Europe”

<https://rm.coe.int/prems-052917-gbr-1700-realising-refugees-160x240-web/1680724ba0>

- Mr. D Nemtsidis, Unaccompanied minors’ Commissioner

The Commissioner’s role in Evros

16.15 to 17.30 pm

Visit to Vissa – Museum Karatheodori and Coffee at the ‘Paratirio’

Wednesday 17 April 2024

9.00 -10.45 am University -Dept SW Amphitheatre (City centre)

Social work with children and families at risk

- Prof Christos Panagiotopoulos, Nicosia University, EASSW President

'Determination and Assessment of the Best interest of the Child; a working together approach in the field of Child Protection'

- Victoriya Angelova Senior Asst. Prof. Viktoria Angelova PhD, Department of Social Work
Faculty of Education and Pedagogy Plovdiv University "Paisii Hilendarski" Bulgaria

"Social Work with Children and families at risk- Practices in Bulgaria "

- Zacharoula Kasserli, Ass. Prof ELMEPA

"Stigma, mental distress and substance use in late capitalism: Challenges for Social workers working with families"

10.45 -11.00 am Coffee break

11.00-12.15 pm

- Prof. Yeşim Fazlıoğlu, Assist. Prof Feyza Nazan Gündüz, Nur Erdem Cebeci (Phd candidate), Aise Ömer Chasan Achmet (Phd Candidate), Sanem Polat (Phd Candidate) TRAKYA UNIVERSITEZI, Turkey

Developing multicultural sensitivity in early childhood through illustrated children's books

- Iriselda Zere, MA in SW and PhD Candidate DUTH

Prevention and early intervention of intra-family violence and child abuse through school social work ,

- Stefania Chazari (MA SW) and Ass.Prof Vassilis Karagkounis

"Practicing school social work in Greece during the COVID-19 pandemic: the case of the Special Education and Training Units of Thrace".

12.15 pm.- 1.15 pm Lunch and Coffee break

1.15 pm- 3.30 pm Workshop – Group Work

- Dr. Irene Katsama, Ass. Prof DUTH, Dr Olga Katsiani and LEMONIA CHYDIROGLOU, PhD Candidate

School Social Work and inclusion of diversities (Workshop Skills development) ,

5.00 pm Ceremony dedicated to the first Social Work University Professor in Greece
Honorary Professor Theano Kallinikaki

Free Evening (for students)

Thursday 18 April 2024

9.00 am 11.30 am University Dept of SW Amphitheatre (City centre)

Working with disabled children and families

- Michael Russel, University of Innsbruck, Austria

***“The Autism Industry”*: Neurodiversity and critical understanding - Disability diagnosis labelling stigma and access to resources**

- Lemonia Chydiroglou, PhD Candidate

“The Narrative of Autism: Discourses emerging out of parents’ biographies”

- Kountouras, Georgios , Ass. Prof. Democritus University of Thrace,

Theatrical play and autism

- Dr. Georgios Fillipidis, Ass. Prof. DUTH

Life skills development for the prevention of internet addiction ,

11.30 am Visit (by bus) to the **Village Proskynites- Maronia – Cultural Centre** (ex-primary school)

Creative cuisine by the Women of the Cultural Women’s Club Coffee and Pastries

13.00 – 3.00 Workshop- Groupwork

- Agapi Kandylaki – Lemonia Chydiroglou and Stella Farmaki- Eleni Margariti

Creativity – fairy tales and games :Tools of school social work with groups

Presenting a digital game for social group work (workshop)

Fairwell Dinner 8pm (Massali tavern – mezes)

Friday 19 April 9.00 am – 12.30pm University Dept of SW Amphitheatre (City centre)

**Chair : Christos Panagiotopoulos (Nicosia University), Irene Katsama (Democritus University)
Panagiotis Pentaris (Goldsmith University), Eleni Koutsouraki (ELMEPA), Michel Russel,
(Innsbruck Univ)**

Reflecting on the Course: Group Presentations and Discussion

12.30 Closure