



On behalf of the Universal Education Foundation, we invite you to participate in a Well-being and Learning workshop, May 9-11, in Enghien, a small town just north of Paris. It is our hope that participants will include UEF staff and representatives from partner organizations, educators and advocates for children and young people from Europe and the Middle East.

The intention of the workshop is to provide an experiential foundation and shared learning opportunity for the Education by All (EBA) for the Well-being of Children Movement. UEF-EBA aims to inspire people to listen more to children and young people and to advocate for making children's learning environments more conducive to their well-being. We are dedicated to involving young people themselves in shaping learning environments that will recognize the unique ways in which they learn and which foster their full development, as reflected in our working definition of well-being:

Well-being is realizing one's unique potential through physical, emotional, social, mental, and spiritual development in relation to self, others and the environment.

The workshop will offer ways for us to expand our understanding of the different aspects of well-being, to experience our own learning journeys, and to create links from our personal experiences to our work with children and young people.

Within a living systems and integrative education approach, our goals are to:

- Develop a common understanding and language for addressing well-being;
- Explore unique ways of learning and discover our own individual patterns;
- Experience approaches for listening more deeply and effectively to young people;
- Examine ways that enable young people to discover their unique processes of learning.

We consider the workshop goals as foundational for creating indicators that address well-being in relation to characteristics of learning environments.

We will begin at 10:00 on Saturday, 9 May and conclude on Monday, 11 May at 16:30.

In keeping with the aims of the workshop and with respect to the group, we request that there be no late arrivals or early departures. The location of the workshop is in a tranquil setting, conducive to reflection and deep learning. We hope you will accept our invitation as an opportunity to engage in those activities in a spirit of mutual learning.

The workshop will be led by Linda O'Toole, well-being specialist for UEF. Linda has over thirty years of experience in the areas of learning and well-being, specializing in the diverse ways in which people learn, communicate and develop. She has designed and delivered workshops in more than 15 countries for clients ranging from community literacy programs to global corporations. Attached to this invitation is her recent article on individual processes of learning and a four page summary of the UEF well-being framework.



There is no charge for participating in the workshop. Unfortunately, we will not be able to support travel or lodging expenses, but will provide lunch and other refreshments during the workshop. We will make a provisional reservation of a certain number of rooms, from the 8 May to 12 May, at the Grand Hôtel Barrière d'Enghien-les-Bains with a fixed price of 139 Euros for bed, breakfast, parking, and access to the spa, swimming pool, and fitness area. Please send us your arrival and departure times when you confirm your participation in the workshop. Nearer the date we will also send you information on transport to Enghien from Charles de Gaulle airport and the Gare du Nord.

Please confirm your participation in the workshop by contacting Gloria Arjomand at ieepsrecherche@dauphine.fr.

We look forward to having you join us in what promises to be an enriching experience.

Sincerely,
Daniel Kropf
Executive Vice Chair