



ISSA Connects 2020

This program includes information on the activities to be held during the week of **December 7th – 11th 2020**.

All session times are listed in **Central European Time**.

For more detailed information, please click the “read more” link in each session row.

To register free of charge, choose the sessions you would like to attend here.

Monday December 7 th	
10:00 - 12:00	<p>Launch of ISSA Connects <i>Find the keys to connect at a distance in a Virtual Escape Room</i> (10:00 – 11:00)</p> <p>Council Meeting (11:00 – 12:00) Host: ISSA Secretariat</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>
13:00 - 15:00	<p>Roots and Horizons – A Magic Journey <i>A special celebration with ISSA members and friends, honouring Step by Step and OSF’s Early Childhood Program</i></p> <p>Host: ISSA Secretariat</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>
15.30 - 17.30	<p>Learning Session: Why Children’s Risky Play is Worth the Risk Host: Helena Sienaert (Artevelde University of Applied Sciences, Belgium)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>
Tuesday December 8 th	
10:00 - 11:30	<p>Learning Session: Appreciating the otherness – ISSA’s programs on Embracing Diversity Hosts: Zorica Trikic (ISSA), Sanja Brajković (Open Academy Step by Step, Croatia), Jelena Vranješević (Faculty of Philosophy, Belgrade University, Serbia)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>
13:00 - 15:00	<p>Building Blocks for the Early Years Field: The Contribution and Legacy of ECP <i>A joint celebration with ECD Networks, their members and partners</i></p> <p>Hosts: ISSA, AfECN, ANECD and ARNEC</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>
15:30 - 17:30	<p>Learning Session: Learn the Secrets of Great Digital Storytelling Host: =mc center Speakers: Liz Ngonzi (City University of New York, USA) and Bernard Ross (=mc, UK)</p> <p style="text-align: right;"><u>Read more</u></p>

Wednesday December 9th

10:00 - 11:30

Discussion Forum: How is COVID-19 affecting the early childhood field?
Host: ISSA Secretariat

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13:00 - 15:00

Learning Session: Learn the Secrets of Great Fundraising
Host: =mc centre
Speakers: Bernard Ross (=mc, UK), Didi Devapriya (Neohumanist Foundation, Romania), Carmen Lica and Sorin Dragomir (Step by Step Center for Education and Professional Development Romania)

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Thursday December 10th

10:00 - 11:30

Learning Session: ‘I like it here, it feels like a second home’: The role of ECEC spaces in joining education and care
Hosts: EDUCAS Project partners

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15:00 - 17:00

Master Class: Leveraging Advances in Science to Strengthen the Early Foundations of Both Learning and Health
Host: Harvard Center for the Developing Child, USA
Speakers: TBC

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Friday December 11th

10:00 - 11:30

Navigating the pandemic in low resource settings: Early childhood care in times of COVID-19
Host: Zarlisht Halaimzai and Gabriella Brent (Refugee Trauma Initiative, Greece)

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13:00 - 14:30

Treasure Hunters in *Networkland*
Host: ISSA Secretariat

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