

# NETWORK MEETING

## EERA Curriculum network (nw3)

ECER 2021 – Geneva → Online

Thursday September 9, 2021, 16.00-17.00



### 1. Welcome, how did you perceive ECER2021?

Overall, the online ECER went well from a technical point of view (also excellent assistance), the presentations were of high standards. However, real interactions and discussions went less fluently and many felt the lack of networking opportunities.

### 2. Announcements

*ECER2021:*

- Submissions: positive surprise almost as big as offline ECERs: about 2000 presentations,
- Registrations: 2400
- NW3: little less presentations compared to earlier years

*Upcoming conferences:*

- 13-15 October 2021: International conference “Teachers Matter - but How?”, arranged at Linnæus University in Växjö. Main theme: Didaktik, pedagogy, and classroom research
- 23-26 August 2022: ECER2022 in Yerevan, Armenia
- ECER2023: Glasgow
- ECER2024 Cyprus

### *Name change:*

Curriculum innovation network → Curriculum network

- We are about to change the name of our network to make clear that our network has a broader curriculum interest.
- Proposal (based on input of our members) has been approved with the link convenors in April 2021
- Proposal will probably be approved by EERA council in September 2021

### *EERA activities and support:*

- New options for network support, in addition to the existing funding (exploring connections for publication, network profiling), there are two new forms of support:
  - 1) max 3000 Euro for scientific development, capacity building, invite guest speakers
  - 2) celebrate special moments (have a drink during the ECER), max 250 Euro starts in the Fall of 2019, deadline 30th of Sept, 30 of May please check the regulations carefully
- EERA blog started January 2020 (for networks, national associations, EERA related events)
- EERA publishing initiatives, around 3 books per year, open access
- EERJ is in SSCI

### *New book!*

- Published by Emerald early 2021 entitled: **Curriculum making in Europe:** policy and practice within and across (diverse) contexts.  
The editorial team consists of all NW3 colleagues, i.e.:  
Daniel Alvunger, Mark Priestley, Stavroula Philippou and Tiina Soini-Ikonen.



The book is well-received: congratulations!

### **3. Capacity building activities**

- Network season schools
  - Last season school has been in Maynooth, Ireland, June 2019: high quality summer school, well-attended.
  - New initiative for 2022 near Prague (Czech republic). Dominik Dvořak and Nienke Nieveen will take the lead.
- Capacity building workshops on Tuesday morning of ECER
  - ECER 2019: "Curriculum research methods". The workshop has been a great success. Many attendants, also excellent way of meeting emerging researchers in the curriculum field. We thank Dominik Dvorak and Majella Dempsey for organizing this first edition.
  - New initiative for a capacity building workshop ECER2022: "Theory as a lens for looking at curriculum". Majella Dempsey, Audrey Doyle, Stavroula Philippou and Nienke Nieveen will take the lead for this event.

### **4. Poster sessions**

No posters this year

- In case we have enough posters, we will bring these together in one joint session, with an introduction to each poster for five minutes as an umbrella.
- Just as a reminder: All authors of the winning poster will receive a free subscription to an Elsevier journal of their choice and the award includes as well a cash prize of \$250. Furthermore, EERA offers one free entry to next year's ECER.

#### **5. Publication opportunities**

- Curriculum Journal (Mark Priestley and Stavroula Philippou are the chief editors, the team of associate editors consists of Claire Sinnema, Daniel Alvunger, David Leat, Joseph Smith, Kathryn Hibbert, Tiina Soini and Nienke Nieveen)
  - The journal is in great shape
  - 450 papers (about 140 per year) – around 50 papers per year have been published in four issues
  - SSCI is upcoming
- Dominik Dvořák raises attention to the possibility of organizing a English issue to a Czech journal aligned with the Czech Curriculum seminar/summer school (see point 3)

#### **6. Any other Business**

- Majella raises attention to a SIG on Curriculum studies of five Irish universities that is going really well, interesting keynotes and many attendants.

#### **7. Closure**