

EARLY YEARS SCOTLAND ANNUAL NATIONAL CONFERENCE

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THERE IS MORE TO LEARNING THAN PLAY!

Saturday 14 September 2019
Hilton Glasgow, William Street, G3 8HT

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

ALDO FORTUNATI (President) and
BARBARA PAGNI (Scientific Coordinator)
of La Bottega di Geppetto - International
Research and Documentation Centre on
Childhood, Tuscany, Italy
SUE ELLIS, Professor of Education,
University of Strathclyde
DEIRDRE GROGAN, Senior Knowledge
Exchange Fellow, University of
Strathclyde

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Does a child have to play to learn? Does a child always learn when they play? Consider the many ways in which children experience learning in the early years.

Are we afraid to talk about learning and teaching in Early Years? If so, why?

Our speakers will share research, practice and reflections on this highly relevant topic.

BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW

Book online at:
www.earlyyearsScotland.org/conference

Early Years Scotland Members: £85
Non-members: £125

Group Bookings

Group bookings of 5 or more delegates will receive 10% discount per person. Please call Early Years Scotland office to book - 0141 221 4148

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

- > Early Learning and Childcare Practitioners and Managers
- > Members of Early Years Scotland
- > College and University students and staff
- > Teachers
- > Local Authority colleagues
- > Health and Social Work Professionals
- > Anyone with an interest in Early Learning and Childcare

PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Following attendance at the conference, you will be able to apply for a SSSC Open Badge, recognising this as a valuable professional learning opportunity which can also be recorded as evidence for your registration body SSSC/GTCS.

STUDENT POSTER PRESENTATIONS – CHILDHOOD PRACTICE

Student Poster Presentations are an exciting element of our conference and we are delighted to again welcome students from both Colleges and Universities to present evidence of their studies. Students who have been involved in our previous conferences have told us how much they valued the opportunity to discuss and share the thinking behind their posters.

EXHIBITION

A diverse range of exhibitors will be there on the day to provide an insight into a variety of areas relevant to your setting. You will have the opportunity throughout the day to visit our exhibition area to get ideas, information and inspiration to support children's learning journeys.





OUR HOST

Clare English, Journalist and Former BBC Presenter

A radio presenter and events host, Clare's interests include confidence and communication, education, young people and women's issues. She has undertaken roles which have encompassed politics, current affairs, mental health, arts, culture, science/technology, and food journalism. She worked at the BBC for 30 years and is now freelance. She is a Non-Executive Board Member of Women's Enterprise Scotland.

OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



Aldo Fortunati

Aldo is President of La Bottega di Geppetto - International Research and Documentation Centre on Childhood, and Director of the Childhood and Adolescence Area of the Istituto degli Innocenti in Florence. Aldo is a Lecturer at the University of Florence and expert

for Eurosocial in international cooperation programmes, he is a senior member of the National ECEC services Association and National Representative for Italy in the World Forum Foundation.

In the last 20 years Aldo has coordinated research projects and policy monitoring activities on behalf of the Italian government and directed international cooperation programs in Latin America.

Among his most recent publications, *The education of children as a community project*, *San Miniato's approach to children's education* and *Towards a curriculum open to possibilities* have been translated into English, Spanish and Portuguese. Interested in the theme of the relationship between space design and education, Aldo designed furnishings for children that, protected by copyright, are produced by an Italian company.



Barbara Pagni

Barbara is Scientific Coordinator of La Bottega di Geppetto - International Research and Documentation Centre on Childhood.

After a prolonged experience as an educator in the ECEC services in San Miniato, Barbara joined the Institution's staff alongside Gloria Tognetti in the pedagogical coordination of the ECEC services of San Miniato and in the district one of the Valdarno Inferiore.

Barbara has delivered on various Italian experiences training courses on the issues of the organization in mixed age groups, planning, observation, documentation and evaluation of experiences, and of the governance in the integrated system. Barbara has published numerous contributions on topics of her interest.

SPEAKERS AND PRESENTERS

MAREE TODD MSP

Minister for Children and Young People

SUE ELLIS

Professor of Education,
University of Strathclyde

DEIRDRE GROGAN

Senior Knowledge Exchange Fellow,
University of Strathclyde

CATHERINE AGNEW

Chief Inspector: Children's Services,
Care Inspectorate

JEAN CARWOOD-EDWARDS

Chief Executive,
Early Years Scotland

JANE BRUMPTON

Depute Chief Executive,
Early Years Scotland

MICHELE DOULL

Head of Professional Learning
and Quality Assurance,
Early Years Scotland



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

- 08.30 **AGM Registration and Breakfast**
- 09.00 **Early Years Scotland AGM**
Please note that there is no cost for EYS members who only wish to attend the AGM
- 09.30 **Close of Early Years Scotland AGM**
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- 09.30 **Conference Registration, Exhibition and Refreshments**
- 10.00 **Conference Opening and Welcome**
Jean Carwood-Edwards, Chief Executive, Early Years Scotland
Clare English, Journalist and former BBC presenter
- 10.15 **Early Years Scotland Campaign:**
EYS Storytelling Campaign for every child to have a story every day: Are you sitting comfortably?...
- 10.30 **Opening Address**
Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Children and Young People
- 10.45 **Early Years Scotland – Reflections on the relationship between learning and play**
Jean Carwood-Edwards, Chief Executive, Early Years Scotland
- 11.10 **Refreshments, Exhibition and Student Poster Presentations**
- 11.40 **Playful literacy pedagogies**
Professor Sue Ellis, Professor of Education, University of Strathclyde
- 12.00 **Curious Children: The wonders of learning**
Deirdre Grogan, Senior Knowledge Exchange Fellow, University of Strathclyde
- 12.20 **Early Years Scotland: Looking back, looking forward**
Jane Brumpton, Depute Chief Executive, Early Years Scotland
- 12.30 **Update on ELC Shared Framework**
Catherine Agnew, Chief Inspector (Children's Services), Care Inspectorate
- 12.45 **Reflections on your learning**
Michele Doull, Head of Professional Learning and Quality Assurance, Early Years Scotland
- 13.05 **Lunch, Exhibition and Student Poster Presentations**
- 13.50 **Keynote Speakers – Children's protagonism; The San Miniato Approach**
Aldo Fortunati, President of La Bottega di Geppetto
Barbara Pagni, Scientific Coordinator of La Bottega di Geppetto
- 15.20 **Close of Conference and invitation to join Early Years Scotland for refreshments**