



**Organiser:** FREREF

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## Sustainable approaches for the integration of migrant children in education systems

### Concept

Education and access to learning may be considered as one of the priorities of current societies facing democratic challenges, disinformation, social injustice, unemployment, and the rise of intolerance. On the other hand, immigration is a topic that crystallizes tensions within Member states and civil society, while the European Union attempt to foster cohesion and cooperation within its migration policy, as evidenced in the new European Pact on Migration and Asylum.

The integration and inclusion of children with a migrant background remain a challenge for educational systems all across Europe, which aim at supporting the growth of responsible citizens, socially and professionally included, emancipated and accomplished, participating in a sustainable and fair society. However, educational systems come up against various serious obstacles in pursuing this aim.

Some researchers are evidencing the conditions of migrant children's integration through social participation, with the final aim of proposing innovative approaches to understanding and transforming their social conditions. Researcher and project manager Claudio Baraldi will present the approach of the CHILD-UP project, and exchange his perspective with policymakers and members of the European Commission and stakeholders such as the Sirius Network and civil society members about this topic.

### Agenda

- Words of welcome, FREREF Axel Joder
- Introduction
  - 'Sustainable approaches for the integration of migrant children in educational systems'*
- Panel discussion
  - The European dimension of integration and
    - MEP tbc
    - Vincent Catot, DG HOME, European Commission
    - Michael Teutsch, DG EAC, European Commission (tbc)
    - Edwin Katerberg, *European School Heads Association*
    - Claudio Baraldi, *UNIMORE - CHILD-UP project coordinator*
    - Mialy Dermish, *SIRIUS Network*
      - *Moderator:* Monica Verzola, LLLPlatform Steering Committee
- Audience contribution and interactive session
- Closing and wrap-up, FREREF