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Equity and Inclusion from Early Childhood through Lifelong Learning:

Insights from 25 years of Education and Training reforms in Europe

DATE
1 DECEMBER 2026

TIME
09:15 - 16:15

VENUE
ZWEIG VISITOR CENTRE
EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT,
BRUSSELS

ABOUT THE EVENT

Europe has implemented hundreds of education reforms, yet decision-makers often lack comparable evidence about what works, under which conditions and for which groups. Closing this evidence gap is essential if European education and training systems are to respond effectively to persistent inequalities in learning outcomes.

The event will examine how longitudinal data and 25 years of education policy analysis can contribute to improve equity and inclusio in education, giving various stakeholders the opportunity to discuss evidence-based policymaking for democratic and resilient learning environments

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PROGRAMME

09:15 **Registration**

09:45 **Opening remarks**
Ewa Kopacz
European Parliament Vice-President and
EP Coordinator on Children's Rights

09:50 **Keynote address**
Prof.em. Idesbald Nicaise, Faculty of Psychology and Education Sciences, KU Leuven

10:05 **Session I**
Mapping Trends, understanding educational inequalities across Europe and the mitigation effect of ECEC policies

10:45 **Networking coffee & poster session**

11:30 **Session II - Policy Forum**
From Research Findings to Policy Impact: Building Inclusive and Resilient Learning Environments – High-level roundtable on equitable and inclusive education reforms

12:45 **Networking light lunch**

13:45 **Session III -**
Seeing Inequality, Supporting Better Decisions
Digital tools for evidence-informed policymaking

15:00 **Closing Policy Dialogue**
No Learner Left Behind - Building Inclusive, Democratic and Resilient Learning Environments across Europe

15:45 **Main takeaways for EU policy development & Closing remarks**

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