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# **BUILDING BRIDGES IN TIMES OF CLIMATE URGENCY**

How can environmental and sustainability education contribute to overcoming the disjunction that is separating people from nature? How can we support a more sustainable, equitable, and relational way of being in the world?

#### Our Congress will try to help in building bridges between:

- different approaches to environmental education and education for sustainable development
- · researchers and practitioners around the world
- formal, non-formal, informal, and community education
- national strategies in environmental education

## REGISTER WITH CONFIDENCE

As the first in its history, the Congress offers a uniquely hybrid form of participation. If you are considering your participation and would like to come to Prague, registration is still open.

If last-minute restrictions related to the pandemic prevent you from attending, you can simply switch to the online program. Whether you choose on-site or online participation, you will have access to the virtual platform for a full year. You can reread all the papers, meet for discussions with other participants and establish the necessary partnerships.

You can register for on-site participation until 8 March 2022. Registration for online participation is not limited.

As an online participant:

- you will have access to the virtual platform with all of the ongoing online presentations and workshops, streamed onsite plenary sessions, and recorded all of the parallel (both online and onsite sessions);
- you can discuss selected topics with all of the WEEC participants;
- you can access the virtual platform up to one year after closing WEEC.

### **Parallel sessions:**

Arts, Ethics, and Environmental Education / Business Sector and Environmental Education / Climate Change Education / Early Childhood Education / Education for Environmental Citizenship / Environmental Education in Nonformal Settings / Environmental Education in the Anthropocene / Outdoor Environmental Education / Place-based Education / Sustainable Universities / Transformative, Transgressive Learning in Communities / Whole School Approach / Water for Life.

#### Field sessions:

Participative Approaches in Environmental Education at Schools / Schools as Environmental Campaigners / Folk Traditions and Traditional Crafts in Environmental Education / Alienation from Nature / Nature and Community as the Best Classrooms / EE in Modern ZOO / School Gardens and School Forests

**Field Excursions:** Šumava, České středohoří, the Bohemian Paradise and many more places

**Cross-Cutting Dialogues:** Linking education with local and regional sustainable development challenges, Cooperation and networking in the ESE, Developing ESD competencies of educators and other topics

Side Events: Wild Pedagogies Network, Youth Congress YEEC

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS (14 March 2022)**

- Arjen Wals Education bridging a troubled planet a radical relational perspective
- Karen Malone Posthuman Ecologies in the Anthropocene: Walking with Theory and Fire
- **David Orr** Education as if People and Planet Matter
- Heila Lotz-Sisitka Transgressive Learning in Times of Climate Change
- Judy Braus The Power of Connection
- Franz X. Bogner Behaviour, attitudes and knowledge: How effective education fosters environmental literacy
- Bruce Johnson Beyond Bridges on a World in Crisis: The Role of Education Along Our Paths to Survival

We enclose the first day of the Congress with a panel discussion:

Building Bridges Through Purposeful Engagement with Epistemological Diversity, chaired by Robbie Nicol
& Peter Higgins.

### **KEYNOTE SPEAKERS (16 March 2022)**

David Sobel – Why 21st Century Children Need Nature

The Plenary Session will open the central topic of the 11th WEEC:

- The representatives of the Youth Environmental Education Congress Youth Challenge: Bridging Our Education and Participation in Times of Climate UrgencyThe panel discussion chaired by
- Daniela Tilbury Building Bridges in Times of Climate Urgency: How must education and learning respond?



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Event: https://fb.me/e/1XrnkZxMQ; Weec Network: https://weecnetwork.org/