

## The Slovak and Czech Regional Academy: Building Inclusive School Environments for All

The Slovak and Czech Regional Academy 2016 is a training programme dedicated to building a democratic and inclusive culture in schools in the Slovak Republic and the Czech Republic through strengthening the competences of education professionals and community actors to teach, implement and promote Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education (EDC/HRE).

### Wednesday, 2 November 2016

#### Arrival and Focus of the Academy

- 10:00 – 16:00 Arrival of the participants, registration  
16:30 – 19:00 **Short welcome and group building activities with participants, trainers, organizers**  
19:00 Dinner

### Thursday, 3 November 2016

#### Promoting a Democratic and Inclusive School Development

- 8:00 Breakfast  
9:00 – 09:45 **Official opening of the Academy:**  
doc. PhDr. Ľudovít Hajduk, PhD. director, National Institute for Education  
Excellency Inga Magistad, ambassador, Royal Norwegian Embassy to the Slovak Republic  
Mgr. Jana Kviečinská, director general, Division of Human Rights, Ministry of Justice of the Slovak Republic  
9:45 – 11:00 Panel discussion: **What have we achieved and where are we heading in building inclusive school environments?**  
Moderator: Mgr. Monika Korškošová, director, Division for life-long learning, Ministry of Education, Science, Research and Sport of the Slovak Republic  
Panellists:  
Ana-Perona Fjeldstad, executive director, European Wergeland Centre, Norway  
PhDr. Denisa Ďuranová, National Institute for Education  
PhDr. Helena Úlovcová, director, National Institute for Education, Czech Republic  
PhDr. Romana Kanovská, director, National Institute for Certified Educational Measurements  
Ján Orlovský, director, Open Society Foundation  
11:00 Coffee break  
11:30 – 12:30 **Introduction to the programme:**  
**Aims and purposes of democratic school**  
**Development and education for social inclusion**  
**A whole school approach to EDC/HRE and social inclusion**

- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:30 **“Our School”**: Assessment and challenges for making schools a democratic and inclusive space for all
- 15:30 Coffee break
- 16:00 – 18:00 **Building an inclusive school community**
- 18:00 **Home groups**
- 19:00 Dinner

Social event: International evening

### Friday, 4 November 2016

#### Building Inclusive School Environments for All

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Exploring diversity and social inclusion in schools, in our local communities and in the region**
- 10:30 Coffee break
- 11:00 – 12:30 **Understanding root causes and forms of marginalization, social exclusion and discrimination and the need for inclusive strategies**
- 12:30 Lunch
- 14:00 – 15:30 **Teaching and learning about controversial issues – enhancing competences and skills for social inclusion**
- 15:30 Coffee break
- 16:00 – 17:00 **Learning from international examples of good practices for enhancing social inclusion**
- 17:00 – 18:00 **Everyday reality of immigrants in Slovakia, myths and fears**  
*Zuzana Bargerová, Centre for the Research of Ethnicity and Culture*
- 18:00 **Home groups**
- 19:00 Dinner

### Saturday, 5 November 2016

#### Placing the School within the Society and Building Community Links and Local Partnerships

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Strengthening active participation and building partnerships**
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 – 12:30 **Reaching out to the wider community and potential partnerships**
- 12:30 Lunch

- 14:00 – 16.00 **Development of the school projects – work in teams, development of first draft project action plans**
- 16:00 Coffee break
- 16:15 **Home groups**
- 19:00 Dinner

## Sunday, 6 November 2016

### Where do we go from now? Action Plans and evaluation

- 8:00 Breakfast
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Short presentation of draft plans in plenary, feedback**
- 10:15 Coffee break
- 10:15 – 12:30 **Follow-up phase and project management -- looking beyond the Regional Academy  
Final evaluation, closing and certificates**
- 12:30 Lunch

### *Departures*