

ENOC Working seminar "Equal Opportunities for All Children and Young People in Education" 7-8 June 2016 Dublin, Ireland

Seminar venue: Ireland's Ombudsman for Children's Office Millennium House, 52-56 Great Strand Street, Dublin 1

Draft Programme

	Tuesday 7 June 2016
09h15-09h30	Welcome address by the Seminar host, Mr. Niall Muldoon, Ombudsman for Children, Ireland
09h30-10h00	Introduction to the Seminar theme and overview of European and international standards Mr. Xavier Bonal, expert advisor to ENOC, Professor of Sociology, Autonomous University of Barcelona (Spain) and Special Professor in Education and International Development, University of Amsterdam
10h00-11h15	Workshop session 1: Main factors of education inequalities in Europe
	✓ Socio-economic (poverty, austerity, etc.) and geographical factors
	✓ Reductions in education funding
	✓ Late entry, grade repetition, drop out & school exclusion in compulsory education
11h15-11h30	Coffee/Tea break
11h30-13h00	Continuation of workshop session 1:
	✓ Competitive character of education (grades, exams etc.)
	✓ Inequalities in access to post-compulsory education
	 ✓ Access to pre-primary school
	\checkmark Access to non-formal education
13h00-14h00	Lunch
14h00-16h00	Workshop session 2: <i>Specially affected groups</i> (list below is non exhaustive)





	\checkmark Children with special needs
	 ✓ Children on the move (asylum seeking, refugee and migrant children)
	✓ Children in care
	✓ Children from minority groups with a special focus on Roma children
16h00-16h15	Coffee/Tea break
16h15-16h45	Continuation of workshop session 2:
	✓ Children from economically disadvantaged backgrounds
16h45-17h15	Availability of a complaints mechanism for inequalities in education and the role of Ombudspersons for Children
	Wednesday 8 June 2016
9h00-10h30	Discussion on the terms of the ENOC draft position statement covering the issues of workshop session 1
10h30-11h00	Coffee/Tea break
11h00-12h30	Discussion on the terms of the ENOC draft position statement covering the issues of workshop session 2
12h30-13h30	Lunch
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