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Policies and practices against school segregation: what can cities do?

Globalization is transforming the urban space in world's cities. European cities are not an exception and are suffering a deep transformation in the physical and social characteristics of their neighbourhoods and districts. Increasing economic inequalities impact on higher polarization of social groups based on their socioeconomic condition or ethnic origin. School segregation is an undesired outcome of these negative trends. In a context of growing urban fragmentation and increasing presence of vulnerable and migrant children in schools, some educational policies have favoured the social segmentation of schools in many European cities. The ECASS Conference will bring together researchers, policymakers and activists in Barcelona to share and debate knowledge and experiences on actions being developed at different scales of governance in European cities. The project outputs will be presented together with other research findings, policies and civil society initiatives planned to reduce school segregation in Europe.

The event will combine keynotes sessions and roundtables with parallel sessions, in which researchers, policy makers and activist are encouraged to present papers and experiences on policies against school segregation.

The European Cities Against School Segregation (ECASS) Project, funded by the Erasmus + programme, has been designed to plan new education policies in European cities to tackle school segregation. Researchers and policymakers from three cities (Barcelona, Milano and Oslo) have worked together combining theoretical and methodological tools with knowledge and experience of the local realities. This collaboration has produced innovative policy instruments and devices to improve educational inclusion.

Click <u>here</u> to register for the Conference or to submit your proposal before **September 30th** *[Provisional programme coming soon]*

TOPICS TO BE COVERED

- New policies and strategies to tackle school segregation: education, urban and other social policies
- Educational planning strategies
- School admissions/school choice policies
- Family information policies
- Compensatory policies and good practices in socially disadvantaged schools
- Impact evaluation of desegregation strategies
- Social initiatives against school segregation

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