

IASSIDD | Inclusive Education - SIRG Open Meeting 19 October

Attendees: Tobias Buchner (Chair), Deirdre Corby (Co-Chair / Secretary), Sofia Mavropoulou (Executive Member), Judith McKenzie (Executive Member), Joann Douziah, Jenny Wilder, Leanne Connolly, Lars Speckschoor, Des Aston, Mireille Tabin, Nektaria Sifaki, Glenys Mann,

Apologies: Mary- Ann O' Donovan, Ger Scanlon

Tobias welcomed everyone and after introductions briefly explained the SIRG and its activities over the last few years. He reflected on our successful webinars during the pandemic, our improved networking and overall the mission of the SIRG to promote collaboration in the field of Inclusive education.

Agenda Items

Update on SIRG activities: Regular committee meetings during the past year. Improved connections with colleagues in other SIRG's. Planning for calls for special Issues. Staying up to date with IASSIDD and new by laws. Planning for conference in August 2024.

Executive SIRG member's nominations: The SIRG requires new leadership and nominations for positions are now open. The different roles are explained in detail in the attached document. IASSIDD SIRG Leadership Positions. Please submit nominations (self nominations are encouraged) on the nomination form linked below https://emorymedicine.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1ObOBX9kKFTRO9U.

Special call details: There are two calls,

- 1. The Curriculum and Students with Intellectual Disabilities in Inclusive schools: What have we learned and where to from here?** Special Issue, 2024. For a Special Issue of the *International Journal of Disability, Development and Education* (IJDDE) on the topic of "The Curriculum and Students with Intellectual Disabilities in Inclusive schools.
Submission deadline for Abstracts: **November 19, 2023**
- 2. Inclusive research in education for learners with intellectual and developmental disabilities: Lessons learned and future directions.** Special Issue in the Journal of Policy and Practice in Intellectual Disabilities
Submission deadline for Abstracts: **November 30, 2023**

The calls are attached and members of the SIRG are requested to submit abstracts as well as to indicate their availability for reviewing articles for these special editions.

Preparations for Chicago:

Types of submissions ***due in by 17th November.***

Individual Spoken Word Presentations = 10 minutes to talk and 10 minutes to answer questions.

Poster Presentation = a physical poster that you will bring with you to the Congress and hang on a poster board. The dimensions of the poster will be communicated to you, should your abstract be accepted.

Either an Individual Spoken Word Presentation or Poster Presentation (if you have no preference between the two).

Round Table Discussion = a 90 minute group discussion; one or two persons will take responsibility to lead a short introduction (no more than 15 to 20 minutes); one person will then facilitate a discussion around the room; it is expected that as many people as possible in the room will have a chance to have their say.

Symposium Proposal = 4 presentations on the same topic; one person will take responsibility to lead a short introduction and a short conclusion'. Each presenter should then submit a 'Symposium Spoken Word Presentation' (see category below).

Symposium Presentation = Each presentation will be 10 minutes to talk and 10 minutes to answer questions.

Some members are interested in collaborating with others for an abstract submission.

Inclusion of People with intellectual disabilities in higher education. Contact deirdre.corby@dcu

The use of plain language summaries of course materials in a college course on disability studies, initiated to support students with IDD who enrolled in the class. Ultimately the summaries ended up benefiting all students (with and without IDD). Contact sofia.mavropoulou@qut.edu.au

Roundtable with European partners regarding curriculum contact tobias.buchner@ph-ooe.at

Research regarding connections with parents glenys.mann@qut.edu.au

Our Next meeting will have 2 Agenda items

1. Vote new leadership positions for this SIRG
2. Preparations for Chicago Conference

9am (IST) 7th December 2023