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Overview of the 8th Teacher Education Policy in Europe (TEPE) Network Conference

“Overcoming Fragmentation in Teacher Education Policy and Practice”

Zagreb, May 15-17 2014



The Teacher Education Policy in Europe (TEPE) network is an academic network established in 2007, its primary focus being education and lifelong professional development of teachers. The main goals of the network are to promote research in the area of educational policies and practices in teacher education, improvement of the quality of systems for teacher education and an increase in mobility and broadening of the European dimension in teacher education. Although the TEPE network had initially been founded so as to systematically observe changes in educational policies across Europe, today the network is widespread gathering renowned scientists and university professors from around the world. The annual TEPE conference entitled “*Overcoming Fragmentation in Teacher Education Policy and Practice*” which took place on May 15-17, 2014 was organized by the Faculty of Teacher Education, University of Zagreb and the Center for Educational Research and Development of the Institute for Social Research in Zagreb, and supported by the University of Zagreb, the City of Zagreb and the publishing house “Školska knjiga”. The Conference opening took place at the University of Zagreb – Rectorate where participants were welcomed by the Dean of the Faculty of Teacher Education Professor Ivan Prskalo, PhD; Head of the Institute for Social Research Professor Branislava Baranović, PhD; Vice-rector for students and study programmes of the University of Zagreb Professor Blaženka Divjak, PhD, and President of the TEPE governing council Professor Brian Hudson,

PhD. The opening was followed by the plenary by Professor Anthony Finn, PhD from the University of Glasgow on the future of the teaching profession in Europe. Over the following two days the Faculty of Teacher Education hosted three plenaries by invited lecturers Professor Kwame Akyempong, PhD of the University of Sussex, who addressed the issue of a reconceptualization of the teaching profession post 2015 through the prism of the UNESCO programme Education for All; Professor Pavel Zgaga, PhD from the University of Ljubljana, who talked about the similarities and differences in the fragmentation of teacher education and fragmentation of higher education; and Professor Edem Adubra, PhD coming from the UNESCO Institute for Teachers and Higher Education addressing major issues which should be overcome in order to reach the goals in the UNESCO programme Education for All. Scientists and professionals from 21 countries participated in the Conference and a total of 47 presentations had been given.

The significance of this year's conference in Zagreb was emphasized by UNESCO's official pages and best conference papers will be published in a specialized issue of the Croatian Journal of Education.

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Osvrt na VIII. Teacher Education Policy in Europe (TEPE) Network konferenciju održanu u Zagrebu od 15. do 17. svibnja 2014. godine s temom

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Teacher Education Policy in Europe (TEPE) Network je akademska mreža osnovana 2007. godine kojoj je u središtu zanimanja obrazovanje i cjeloživotni profesionalni razvoj učitelja. Glavni ciljevi mreže su unaprjeđenje istraživanja u području obrazovnih politika i prakse obrazovanja učitelja, unaprjeđenje kvalitete sustava obrazovanja

učitelja, povećanje mobilnosti i širenje europske dimenzije obrazovanja učitelja. Iako je TEPE mreža inicijalno osnovana kako bi se sustavno pratile promjene u obrazovnoj politici na teritoriju Europe, mreža je proširena i danas okuplja ugledne znanstvenike i sveučilišne profesore iz cijelog svijeta. Godišnju TEPE konferenciju naslovljenu „*Prevladavanje fragmentacija u politici i praksi obrazovanja učitelja*“ održanu od 15. do 17. svibnja 2014. godine organizirali su Učiteljski fakultet Sveučilišta u Zagrebu i Centar za istraživanje za razvoj obrazovanja Instituta za društvena istraživanja, uz potporu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu, Poglavarstva Grada Zagreba i nakladničke kuće „Školska knjiga“. Na otvaranju konferencije u Rektoratu Sveučilišta u Zagrebu sudionicima su se obratili dekan Učiteljskog Fakulteta prof. dr. sc. Ivan Prskalo, ravnateljica Instituta za društvena istraživanja prof. dr. sc. Branislava Baranović, prorektorka za studente i studije Sveučilišta u Zagrebu prof. dr. sc. Blaženka Divjak i predsjednik upravnog vijeća TEPE-a prof. dr. sc. Brian Hudson. Nakon otvaranja uslijedilo je plenarno predavanje prof. dr. sc. Anthony Finna sa Sveučilišta u Glasgowu koji je govorio o budućnosti učiteljske profesije u Europi. U naredna dva dana u prostorijama Učiteljskog fakulteta održana su još tri plenarna predavanja na kojima su izlagali pozvani predavači prof. dr. sc. Kwame Akyempong sa Sveučilišta u Sussexu, koji je govorio o rekonceptualizaciji učiteljskog obrazovanja za razdoblje nakon 2015. godine kroz prizmu UNESCO-va programa Obrazovanje za sve; prof. dr. sc. Pavel Zgaga sa Sveučilišta u Ljubljani, koji se osvrnuo na sličnosti i razlike u fragmentaciji obrazovanja učitelja i fragmentaciji visokog obrazovanja i prof. dr. sc. Edem Adubra iz UNESCO-va Zavoda za nastavnike i visoko obrazovanje, koji je govorio je o glavnim problemima koje je trebalo prevladati kako bi se postigli ciljevi u UNESCO-vu programu obrazovanja za sve. U radu konferencije sudjelovali su znanstvenici i stručnjaci iz 21 zemlje s ukupno 47 izlaganja.

Važnost održavanja ovogodišnje konferencije u Zagrebu istaknut je i na službenim UNESCO-vim stranicama, a najbolji radovi s konferencije bit će tiskani u posebnom tematskom broju časopisa Croatian Journal of Education.

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