

International conference on the situation of children with migration experience

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The impact of Covid-19-related restrictions on the education of children of migrants and the social situation of refugee and asylum seeking children, problems and challenges related to the integration of migrant children - these are the main topics of the international conference "Local dimension of children's migrations and its impact on EU integration policy", which takes place in Krakow on 4 and 5 December.

The conference is part of the large international research project MiCREATE (Migrant Children and Communities in a Transforming Europe), carried out under the prestigious European programme Horizon 2020.

Researchers from Poland and Europe will discuss the impact of Covid-19-related restrictions on the education of children of migrants and the social situation of refugee and asylum-seeking children, the problems and challenges associated with the integration of migrant children and best practices on the integration and education of this group, involving the entire school community (teachers, students, families) and neighbourhood or city organisations.

- "The city has supported and will continue to support any initiative aimed at increasing the resources of competences or social capital in education. Nearly 5,000 foreign students are already learning in Krakow's schools, so taking initiatives for their benefit, by researching their real needs and providing teachers with proven tools to facilitate work with such children, is a necessary and desirable element of managing diversity in the city and in the educational environment. Cooperation in these and other similar projects is also a consequence of the commitments that the city has taken on as part of the "Open Krakow" programme. Thanks to such initiatives, Krakow is building its experience as a multicultural, tolerant and supportive city." - emphasises Mateusz Płoskonka, Deputy Director of the Department of Social Policy and Health.

The MiCREATE project is an initiative of fifteen European universities, research institutions and non-governmental organisations, which in six countries: Austria, Denmark, Spain, Poland, Slovenia and the United Kingdom, study contemporary integration processes and collect and promote, especially in schools, good practices in this area.

The aim of the project is to understand how children perceive cultural diversity, social acceptance and tolerance, as well as life in a diverse society and integration challenges.

More information about the project can be found on the website of the Association [**INTERKULTURALI PL**](#), as well as on the project website [**www.micreate.eu**](http://www.micreate.eu).

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