



International conference “Poverty & Educational Deprivation of Roma Children – Challenges during COVID19 pandemic before and after 2022”

Roma are one of the most at risk groups of poverty and Roma children living in consistent poverty or ‘at risk of poverty’ are more exposed to deprivation and social marginalization and stigma as well.

Poverty has negative impacts on children’s health, social, emotional and cognitive development, behaviour and educational outcomes. Poverty puts an additional strain on families, which can lead to parental mental health and relationship problems, financial problems, social exclusion and segregation and substance misuse as well. Long-term impacts of play deprivation during early child development include isolation, depression, reduced self-control and poor resilience.

The heaviest burden of poverty is usually borne by Roma children as the most fragile members of the community. Roma children living in extreme poverty are often caught in a cycle of transgenerational poverty.

Accordingly, the Ecumenical Humanitarian Organization is organizing an international conference that aims to bring together representatives of the governmental and non-governmental sectors from various countries in the Danube region.

The conference will last two days. During the first day, various panels will be held, within which the speakers and lecturers will have the opportunity to present their presentations on the topic of poverty and education in the Republic of Serbia. The second day of the conference will be organized in the form of practical workshops where participants will work on specific challenges and propose solutions and recommendations for their mitigation and improvement in the countries of the Danube region.

According to the fact that this will be an international conference, the language will be English.

The conference will be held in the period of 22th to 23th September 2022 in Novi Sad.

Please confirm your presence and / or one of your colleagues by filling out the questionnaire available at the link below: <https://forms.gle/8FKrwtDoSpVVgsTb8>

Participation in the conference is **free of charge**.

For participants outside of Serbia it will be provided accommodation in Novi Sad.

Arrival day is 21th September while departure is 24th September.

The final agenda for the conference will be sent after confirmation of all panelist and participants.

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