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Invitation to EAAEE Study Tour in Basel, Switzerland, from October 4th to 8th 2023

Education on the Net Ethics and the image of Man, AI and Metaverse

Dear Members and Friends of EAAEE,

Plusbildung – the Ecumenical Network for Adult Education in Switzerland is inviting the EAAEE study tour this year to Basel, Switzerland. Therefore, on behalf of the Board of EAAEE and on behalf of the Plusbildung it is our pleasure to invite all EAAEE members and guests to the annual EAAEE studytour October 4th to 8th 2023.

As a novum, this year's EAAEE-study tour will be held together with **Oikosnet Europe**, a network of Christian academies and laity centres in Europe. All sessions, except for the business sessions, will be held with participants from Oikosnet Europe and EAAEE.



The common conference (Oikosnet-Europe General Assembly and EAAEE-study tour) is planned to begin with an Opening Worship at 18h00 on October 4, followed by dinner and a welcoming evening. The studytour will end with breakfast and departures on Sunday October 8.

Our Hosting Organisation – plusbildung – ecumenical network for adult education in Switzerland

Plusbildung –the Ecumenical Network for Adult Education in Switzerland - was founded in 2013. It is the umbrella organisation of 45 educational institutions, academies, specialised centres and organisations from the Catholic, Protestant-Reformed and ecumenical communities from the German-, French- and Italian-speaking regions of Switzerland. They are all connected in providing church-based educational offers for adults, founded in the Christian context. Among the organization's major goals is strengthening the place of these endeavors within church and society. Plusbildung members are characterized by a particular openness, and they extend their offers to one and all.



The GA of Oikosnet Europe and the EAAEE Study Tour will be hosted by Plusbildung and in particular by its member Mission 21. Mission 21 is a worldwide community of partner churches and partner organizations in Africa, Asia, Europe and Latin America. In 20 countries, Mission 21 is involved in around 100 projects to promote peace, education, health, food sovereignty and income generation. Mission 21 is particularly committed to good governance and gender equality.

The Venue

The venue of the conference, as well as the accommodation, will be the **Hotel Odelya** (Odelya, hebrew for "I will give thanks to God"), in the old Mission House in Basel.

If you need extra accommodation in addition to the ones included in the conference fee, (Arrival October 4, departure October 8) please contact Heike Witzel (heike.witzel@ekmd.de).

Accommodation address:

Hotel ODELYA, Missionsstrasse 21a, CH-4055 Basel

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Mail: hotel@odelya.ch

Web: <https://www.odelya.ch/en/hotel/location>

From the airport go to the train station SBB or Badischer Bahnhof. From there take bus no. 30 to the stop Spalentor. From there 5 min. walk to Missionsstrasse 21. The closest airports for the venue are the airport Basel-Mulhouse or Zürich. If you arrive at the airport Zürich, please, include an extra two hours from the airport to the train stations in Basel.

Main Theme

Under the main theme "Education on the Net – Ethics and the image of Man, AI and Metaverse" we will explore, especially during the Study Day, the consequences of digitalisation on education. This will be an exciting exercise as there are, inter alia, interesting results from a Swiss study on the issue. There will be also be practical workshops on the issue from which all will profit. A more detailed program for the Study Day, beyond the attached schedule will follow.

Conference Language

For the Study Day on Thursday, there will be simultaneous translation from and to English, German and French. The conference language for all other sessions will be English only. Some consecutive translation on a voluntary basis might be possible, but translation is not organized by our hosts.

Registration

Registration will be possible until September 4. Attached you find the application form. Please feel free to use it. Please send your application to studytour@eace.eu.

The invoice for the costs and detailed travel information will follow after your registration.

Please contact heike.witzel@ekmd.de, if you have any questions about your registration.

Costs and financial support

The conference fee (Board, Lodging, Conference Fee, Excursion) is **350 € per person** in a single room and 300 € per person in a double room.

Participants are expected to cover their own travel costs.

According to our agreed policy and given the difficult financial situation of some of our members, we want to state that the lack of resources should, however, not be an obstacle for members to attend the study tour.

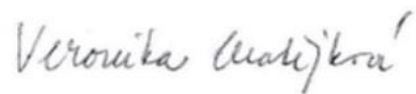
Please ask for financial support in your application, if you need it.

Agenda and detailed program

The program of the conference you find attached.

For the General assembly business session you will get a separated invitation. The final agenda of the General assembly business session and the detailed program for the Study Day will be distributed closer to the October conference. If you have any issues, projects etc. which you want to discuss at the GA, or if you have any special contribution to make, please let us know.

We are looking forward to meet many of you in Switzerland.
On behalf of EAEE board with best wishes,



Veronika Matějková
President, EAEE