

**RAISING ACHIEVEMENT FOR ALL LEARNERS – QUALITY IN INCLUSIVE
EDUCATION (RA4AL)**

Conference Programme

City Hall and First Hotel Grand, Odense, Denmark

13th - 15th June 2012

Accommodation and Main Conference Venue

First Hotel Grand, Jernbanegade 18, Odense

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Meeting Rooms – First Grand Hotel

All rooms are on the ground floor.

Plenary and main session room: Brønden

Breakout rooms: Store Sal, Room 1, Room 3, Room 4 and Room 5

Coffee breaks (Thursday and Friday): Lounge area (outside meeting rooms)

Lunch venue (Thursday and Friday): First Hotel Grand Restaurant (Ground Floor)

Evening meal (Thursday): First Hotel Grand Restaurant (Ground Floor)

(Please look for the Agency logo on doors to guide you)

Reception and Exhibition, City Hall, Odense

Entrance via main door facing City Hall Square

Room: Festsalen (Second Floor)

Wednesday 13th June

- 18.00 Conference Registration in City Hall, Odense
(Delegates will also be asked to sign up for seminars during registration)
- Exhibition of country initiatives and work by the European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education
- 19.00 Opening address by the Mayor of Odense, Mr Anker Boye
Welcome by Mr Per Gunnvall, Chair, European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education
- 19.30 Reception hosted by the Odense Municipality

Thursday 14th June

- 09.00 Exhibition of country initiatives and work by the European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education
- 10.00 Opening Address by Ms Christine Antorini, Minister for Children and Education, Denmark
Opening remarks from:
Mr Harald Hartung, Head of Unit, Jean Monnet, European Commission
Mr Per Gunnvall, Chair, European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education
- 10.30 Policy maker panel with Ms Christine Antorini and country responses to the Ministerial address from:
Ms Zena Poulli, Cyprus
Ms Imbi Henno, Estonia
Ms Pirjo Koivula, Finland
Mr Gilles Pétreault, France
- 11.30 *Coffee break (Lounge Area)*
- 12.00 An overview of the Raising Achievement for All Learners (RA4AL) project followed by questions and discussion (Ms Mary Kyriazopoulou and Ms Verity Donnelly, European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education)

- 13.30 *Lunch (Hotel Restaurant)*
- 14.30 Country seminars on research initiatives and responses from policy makers
- 15.45 *Coffee break (Lounge Area)*
- 16.15 Country seminars on research initiatives and responses from policy makers
- 17.30 Close
- 19.30 *Dinner in First Hotel Grand Restaurant*

Friday 15th June

- 09.00 Presentation of key messages from the country seminars
- 10.15 Questions and plenary discussion
- 10.45 *Coffee break (Lounge Area)*
- 11.15 Presentation by the conference Rapporteur, Professor Bengt Persson, Sweden: Key messages from the conference
- 11.45 Reflections on the RA4AL agenda by Mr Jacob Hess, Head of Department, Department for Inclusion and Education for Children with Special Needs, Denmark
- 12.00 Close of conference:
Mr Henrik Poulsen, Head of International Relations, Odense Mayor's Department
Mr Cor Meijer, Director, European Agency for Development in Special Needs Education
- 12.15 *Lunch (Hotel Restaurant)*
(Packed lunches available for participants leaving early).