

Environmental and Sustainability Education Research (ESER) Network (Network No. 30)

The official start for the ESER network took place in Porto, Portugal 1-5 September, 2014 within the ECER Conference. There it became apparent that the network has already become an important meeting point for researchers in the field from within and outside of Europe. The first network meeting was a great success, and more than 20 network sessions on Environmental and Sustainability Education Research took place.

The network was initiated already in 2010 and developed through collaborations during the annual European Conference on Educational Research (ECER) in Berlin 2011, Cádiz 2012 and Istanbul 2013. More than 150 researchers from 23 countries are already members – and we would like more international senior researchers and graduate students to join our network. Be a part of the development of the ESER network that offers high quality research standards and various forms of network sessions such as symposiums, paper sessions, poster sessions, workshops, etc. It is up to us, together!

We invite all interested in sustainability, education and research to submit abstracts. Your research should be relevant to, or take as a starting point, sustainability issues, focus on education, and relate to the network descriptors: research in the theory / practice of environmental and sustainability education, environmental education, education for sustainable development, global education, outdoor education, and socio-scientific issues in science education, research in educational policy, institutional and curriculum development, pedagogical practice, professional development, and learner empowerment.

Network 30 is innovative and open-minded, and rigorous in the quality of what is discussed. In the review process we focus on the ECER review criteria and are specifically interested in whether the proposal presents a clear research question; whether it identifies theoretical / methodology frameworks; and whether it is grounded in existing research.

All abstracts are submitted on-line via the official ECER website (www.eera-ecer.de), and then select the Environmental and Sustainability Education Research Network, (Network 30).

For more information visit: www.eera-ecer.de/networks/. If you want to get information about network activities mail your name, email and affiliation to per.sund@mdh.se, the link-convenor of the network. You will be included in our list of members.

We look forward to meeting you in the ESER network at the ECER 2015 (7-11 September) in Budapest, Hungary.

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