

# TEACHER EDUCATION IN THE 21ST CENTURY: CHANGES AND PERSPECTIVES



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## The conference is dedicated to

the scientific and practical analysis of the training and education of teachers, professional experience, changes and perspectives in Lithuania and abroad and the dissemination of interdisciplinary researches in the context of the challenges of postmodern society.

The international conference will provide an opportunity for scientists, researchers and professionals in various fields to share their theoretical knowledge, research results and educational practices with colleagues and the academic community.

## Conference Problem Issues

### **Teacher (self)education and professional development**

In order to strengthen the prestige of the pedagogical profession, the relevance of scientific discussions about the experience, change and perspectives of pedagogical (self)education is emerging. New challenges for teachers presuppose the need for their continuous learning, leadership and competence development.

It is becoming important to analyse the expression of teachers' professional growth and the factors that promote their well-being. In the conditions of rapid change of society, it is expedient to discuss the tendencies of pedagogical (self)education, which allow to create an educational process based on interdisciplinary teaching and (self)learning organization, to promote cooperation and co-creation of all participants, to implement digital educational content, to create universal design learning environment.

### **Challenges for the implementation of inclusive education for the training of teachers and educational support professionals**

Upon entry into force of the amendments and additions to the Law on Education of the Republic of Lithuania on September 1, 2024, it is stipulated that every child is provided with the conditions to be educated in the nearest educational institution together with his/her peers. The education system in Lithuania is based on the principle of inclusion, when conditions are created for each person to self-educate, develop their powers and abilities, receive the necessary help, experience success while learning in social, cultural and/or other activities and not be discriminated due to the diversity of educational needs and/or education assistance needs. With increasing student diversity and achieving the goals of quality education for each learner, it is important to analyse the competencies needed for teachers and educators in the context of inclusive education, collaborating and providing personalized support focused on each learner's success and meaningful participation in the learning process.

### **Competences of teacher educators and their (self)improvement**

The professionalism of teacher educators is recognized as the most important factor in ensuring the quality of the teacher community, so it is important to analyse the values of teacher educators, strategies for working with students, assessment methods, ext. It is useful to share good practice on research-based studies, discuss how the personalization of the study program content is ensured, how the students' age, life experience, social, cultural or linguistic environment or disability is taken into account. Therefore, in order to assess students' existing competencies and predict in which areas they need to improve, teacher educators themselves need to have up-to-date competencies and professional development.

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