

## **ECA Newsletter**

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### COUNTRY

#### **NEWS:**

Worldwide

Austria

Europe / ECA

Germany

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## **Celebration, information, registration!**

I am pleased to announce the ural part of our annual calen- cessity to

persons, concordantly voted by dar, a big step toward aware- connect the ECA board to join our Advi- ness! / Lots of interesting arti- with a wide sory Board. I would like to wel- cles, interviews, information come Kajsa Dahlqvist, CEO at and safe-the-dates are awaiting Move and Walk, Lars Mullback, you in this edition of our NL. Honorary Conductor, filmmak- We had lots of registrations, Reading. er and author effected by CP, still not enough! We need to Thorsten Gegenwarth, Institute reach even more people and I Keil and Adrienne Oravecz, would like to call upon you Researcher, effected by CP. / again to distribute the NL and The WorldCerebralPalsyDay is encourage everyone to register getting bigger, becoming a nat- on our Homepage. It is a ne-



Yours

Beate Holen

Beate Höß-Zenker President ECA

### WorldCerebralPalsyDay 2021





"The Millions of Reasons Campaign reached 63 million people and helped spread awareness about Cerebral Palsy across the world!"

(Sophie Drummond, WCPD Campaign Manager)

Thank you to everyone who joined the celebration!



ECA Action for WCPD: Green Homepage / Screenshot of Board

(Note: ECA supports every other world day to do with disability, which does not call for actions as well.)

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### Master Course CE: from a students perspective

Written by: Richard Eybl-Burghardt, Vienna

I'm very proud to be one out of the fifteen students of the first master course for conductive education at the Danube University Krems and University Vienna . Although the course started just in the middle of the pandemic, we still had the opportunity to get to know each other via online-calls and interactive group-projects. It was very inspiring to exchange the topic of conductive education with other students from different backgrounds, like physiotherapists, speech therapist, social educators, orthopaedic technician or care workers.

The lectures on conductive education served as a connecting link with other topics that were completely new to me, such as neuro-orthopaedics, for example.

In my opinion the main focus of the master course will be to question the conductive education in academia and learn to interpret sources and draw new insights from them.

I'm looking forward to many more exciting topics, lectures and exchanges with other specialists at the care work for people with cerebral movement disorders. I can highly recommend this master course to graduates as it is so much more than I anticipated.

### **ECA Meeting with European Commission**

the subject "Conductor profession" took of MEP. place at the end of September.

Present at the meeting from the Euro- introduce conductive education, explain pean Commission were: Mrs. Strand- its importance with regards to furtherbacke-Muhler, Policy Officer of the Unit ance, re-/habilitation and service pro-Services Directive and Policy and Mr. vided for disabled and families, the ben-Martin LeVrang, Deputy Head of the efits and success of CE. The problems Unit Grow-Professions, Services + Skills. countries experience with regards to the The meeting was also joined by a col- legalisation of the profession 'conleague of Dr. Adam Kosa MEP, Dr. Orsol- ductor' were explained, as well as a They offered to stay in close contact. ya Zara .

While Hungary is already in close conportant to spread the issues of legalisa- the decision to introduce specific regu-

The overall aim of the meeting was to presentation delivered by Éva Feketéné Szabó, Vice President of ECA.

tact with Dr. Adam Kosa it seems im- The European Commission stressed that

An online Meeting initiated by ECA on tion of the profession to a wider range lated professions is the competence of the EU Member States. Each Member State may decide to regulate, or not, access to those professions, professional titles and corresponding professional activities to properly trained professionals. Such national regulation will have, nonetheless, to comply with the rules of the internal market and, in particular, the general principle of proportionality.

> Sweden was able to arrange a follow-up meeting due to some Swedish connections of one of the MEPs.

### ECA: The world is changing - we are part of it!

ECA has become a partner of ConductMe. As a partner of ConductMe, we want to secure the future of Conductive Education. Together with ConductMe, we believe that sharing knowledge is the key to a brighter future and together we can make a change by going digital.







We support the platform with information and our network. Partners of

ConductMe are conductors, organisations, institutes and businesses, working with the concept of Conductive Education. We share the same goal: Spread and strengthen Conductive Education! ECA is currently working with pressure on conductive material to be uploaded and made available for customer use.

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# GERMANY

## WCPD: "Millions of reasons"

"I am here, we are here, and the world should know it" - with this message, the World Cerebral Palsy Day on October 6 should not only draw more attention to the condition. It is also intended to raise awareness of the fact that there is still a lot of catching up to do in terms of the participation of people with cerebral palsy in many areas of society. " Reha- World Cerebral Palsy Day - for Care - For full English Interview Click here:

EN: https://www.rehacare.com/en/Interviews/We asked .../ World Cerebral Palsy Day - for inclusion and social participation (Kurzlink: https://www.rehacare.com/World-Cerebral-Palsy-Day2021 2)

Quotes Mrs. Aigner/Mr. Müller: "For a person with a disability, the chances of finding a job are sometimes slim. Employers often prefer to pay a penalty./For the future I wish self-determination, a job, togetherness instead of antagonism, more understanding for individual needs, inclusion of all fellow human beings./I wish for more acceptance in soci-





ety, more accessibility in the minds of others. But also, of course, that I could get around more easily on public transportation./ The World Day is not only a day to approach each other, but it should especially draw attention to the difficulties, such as: lack of acceptance, education, equal job opportunities, better counseling through medicine and therapy, accessibility – just comprehensive equality for all people! "

## HUNGARY

files/2021/06/Tudom%C3%A1ny-%C3% A9s-Hivat%C3%A1s 2021 1.pdf

András Pető was born on 11 September 1893, 128 years ago. Conductors remembered him all over the world. In Hungary, his birthday was celebrated at several babies. She has completed a pioneer provided on the website of the Faculty: places in Budapest, at his tomb in Farkasrét Cemetry, at the house he lived in Stollár utca and at the András Pető Faculty. There was also a celebration in Szombathely, at the house where he was born. Article in Hungarian is on <a href="https://">https://</a> semmelweis.hu/pak/2021/09/12/128eve-szuletett-peto-andras/



(Picture is copied from the website bellow)

### **Hungary News**

periodical of the András Pető Faculty of our world this September. She was the 2021 within the Celebration of the Hun-Semmelweis University was edited in founder for Baby Development Services garian Science programme series. Inter-July 2021. https://semmelweis.hu/pak/ (Gyermek Ambulancia in Hungarian). She national and Hungarian participants are Pető's Instructions. She has led this unit tion. for several years at the Pető Institute and she put great emphasis on teaching Online participation will be possible. work which was very unique at that https://semmelweis.hu/

> lege and taught Early intervention for the conductor students. The article on Contact for participation: Ibolya Túri farewell is on: <a href="https://semmelweis.hu/">https://semmelweis.hu/</a> pak/2021/09/09/bucsuzunk-2

Mária Hári Symposium was on 13 October 2021, annually organized to cele- Registration for participation is required brate her birthday and her work. Con- on the following link: https:// ductors and rehabilitation professionals docs.google.com/forms/d/ were the presenters. The topic of the e/1FAIpQLSccHcjgAIjQWaHBolJwR3aMS symposium was: Adult Rehabilitation. U24puTuP6BxMfFFanorcefEhg/ Conductors, professionals from conduc- viewform?usp=sf link tive services and rehabilitation were present.

The latest Science and Profession online Judit (Jutka) Kállay conductor, has left Pető Day is organized on 26 November has worked out the conductive early welcome to introduce and discuss: The intervention system for babies based on Implementation of Conductive Educa-

parents during the development of their Further information on this event will be

pak/2021/11/04/meghivo-a-peto-andras She was also a docent of the Pető Col- -tudomanyos-es-szakmai-szimpoziumra/

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### FRANCE A TURNING POINT NOT TO BE MISSED FOR CE IN FRANCE!

For many years, CE has been trying to France ... the latest, in 2021, is in New medico-social structures (type "IME":

find a place in France. Many structures Aquitaine! 9 centres are part of FEPEC medico-educational institute)...at the have emerged, on the initiative of pa- and 5 others are not. / They all work for same time it seems that France is comrents and/or professionals convinced by the recognition of CE and are committed mitted to the development of a national the benefits of this pedagogy ... Many to offering high-quality, individualized strategy of action for CP... the opportunichildren, young adults, adults and seni- reception and support to the people re- ty to promote CE as an education system ors with CP have been able to benefit ceived, involving the "conductors" and allowing comprehensive care, adapted from this care. innovative, holistic, all other therapists in transdisciplinary and respectful of the needs of each indirespectful and adapted to the skills and work./Good news, in 2021: 4 CE centres vidual./Mentalities and political orientadevelopment potential of each individu- were able to obtain public funds, work- tions are changing... it's up to us to be al ... Today there are 14 CE centres in ing in collaboration with regional health convincing and France, spread across the whole of agencies and in partnership with existing professional!



## SWEDEN

## **Recognition and Training Schweden**

One cautious step towards recognition and training for conductor profession in Sweden.

An application was made at the Socialdemocratical (S) Party to suggest a national investigation on the need for conductors in Sweden. The application was pathed through the first round of selection and the final decision will take place in November. Finger cross for us to succeed!

### UK

## PCA activity in the UK

The PCA continues to support conduc- services. The PCA committee continue to doors, providing both face to face and those working in childrens' and adults' schools across the UK (re) open their these challenging times.

tors working in the UK. The committee provide guidance for Conductors and is on-line services, children, adults and has organised a conductor-only work- currently reviewing a host of publica- their families can continue to access the shop to be held in November. This will tions such as 'fitness to practice', help that CE offers so effectively. The give conductors the opportunity to meet 'working in teams' and 'online delivery PCA is proud to support conductors fulfil and discuss issues with relevance to of CE'. It is hoped that as CE centres and their professional roles especially in

