It is our great pleasure to thank all the attendees of the EARLI SIG 5 Conference in Jyväskylä, Finland. We hope that you enjoyed the three conference days as much as we did. The conference attracted close to 300 researchers and educators from 34 countries around the world. This, above all, shows that the significance of learning and development during the early years is globally acknowledged and the field of study has attracted increasing amount of researchers.

**JURE** (JUnior REsearchers) is a network of EARLI dedicated to the interests of all junior researchers in the field of learning and instruction. Junior researcher includes master and PhD students, as well as graduates who have received their doctorate within the last two years. The junior researchers provide their important contribution to the SIG 5 and relatedly two outstanding presentations were awarded at Jyväskylä. Congratulations to Mayra and Anika!

- The **Outstanding JURE Paper Award** was granted to **Mayra Mascareño** (University of Groningen, The Netherlands) for the paper entitled *Kindergarten classroom quality and child competence profiles in a large-scale preschool intervention* co-authored with **Roel J. Bosker** and **Marjolein Deunk** (University of Groningen, The Netherlands) and **Catherine E. Snow** (Harvard Graduate School of Education, USA).

- The **Outstanding JURE Poster Award** was granted to **Anika Fäsche** (University of Freiburg, Germany) for the poster entitled *Early home and preschool learning environments and their relations with early literacy skills: The role of children’s behavioral self-regulation* co-authored with **Antje von Suchodoletz** (University of Freiburg, Germany).

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**Important dates**

- **29 October 2014**
  Submission deadline EARLI conference 2015

- **31 October 2014**
  Submission deadline Special Issue *Learning and Instruction*

- **23-24 August 2015**
  EARLI JURE Pre-Conference Limassol, Cyprus

- **25-29 August 2015**
  Biennial EARLI Conference for Research on Learning and Instruction, Limassol, Cyprus

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See full photo gallery [here](#)
The next 16th Biennial EARLI Conference for Research on Learning and Instruction will be held at Limassol, Cyprus on 25–29 August 2015. The theme of the conference is ‘Towards a Reflective Society: Synergies Between Learning, Teaching and Research’.

We invite all the SIG 5 members to submit your contribution to the EARLI 2015 conference. The submission deadline is the 29th of October 2014. Submit your abstracts online here.

For the upcoming EARLI Conference 2015, the SIG 5 group has sketched so far the following ‘hot topics’ discussed in Jyväskylä:

- Proposal of Keynote of Professor Edward Melhuish, Oxford University.
- Invited symposia on Self-regulation in early childhood will be organized by Pauline Slot and Joana Cadima.
- Proposal of a symposium on the results of EU FP7 CARE project by Paul Leseman: CARE – is a collaborative EU-level project funded by the European Union aims to address issues related to the quality, inclusiveness, and individual, social, and economic benefits of Early Childhood Education and Care (ECEC) in Europe. The project will present findings. More information here.
- Proposal of a symposium on the ECEC policy (organizer to be defined).
- We encourage you to gather a group of researchers for more symposiums on ECEC.

JURE 2015 Pre-Conference: Prior to EARLI 2015, the JURE of EARLI will organize a pre-conference on the 23rd and 24th of August. The pre-conference will provide a wide range of opportunities for PhD candidates and early career researchers to discuss their research topics with other junior and senior researchers, attend workshops on various topics, socialize, and participate in the scientific community.

The location of the next SIG 5 Conference 2016 will also be announced at the EARLI 2015 Conference SIG 5 Business Meeting!

EARLI journals

The SIG 5 journal Learning and Instruction has released an open call for a special issue, with deadline October 31, 2014. See details here. We believe our SIG 5 conference in Jyväskylä has revealed that our members are conducting research of the highest quality, so we encourage you to consider submitting a proposal.

Remember that publishing in Learning and Instruction and also in Frontline Learning Research is free of charge for all EARLI members!

EARLI SIG5 Newsletter

The SIG 5 aims to intensify its activity via establishing this newsletter on a more regular basis. By doing so we aim to reinforce the dissemination of the significant topics addressed in our mission statement as well as making the work of SIG 5 more transparent.

We warmly welcome you to take part on this initiative!

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