

**REPORT ON THE MSSA**  
**(for the period December 2015-December 2016)**

**21-22.01.2016** - Participation of the President and Vice President of the second project meeting under the project "Equality and Social Inclusion through positive parenting" at the European University in Nicosia, Cyprus.

**12.03.2016** - Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovski lecturer and organizer of the forum entitled: Autism and its challenges for our society, Ohrid, Macedonia.

**19.03-20.03.2016** - Organizers of the first training for parents of children with autism within ESIPP project POU "Dr Zlatan Sremac.

**18.04.-20.04.2016** - Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovski lecturer at the 33 Croatian spring pediatric school, Split, Croatia.

**28.04.2016** - Organizers of the lecture Assoc. Dr. Blake Hansen: Assessment and Treatment of Severe Problem Behavior in Children with Autism and Intellectual Disabilities Faculty of Philosophy in Skopje.

**15-16.06.2016** - Project organizers of the third meeting under the project "Equality and Social Inclusion through positive parenting" of the Philosophical Faculty.

**15.09.2016** - Participation of the president and vice president on the fourth project meeting under the project "Equality and Social Inclusion through positive parenting" in Edinburgh, UK.

**16.09.-18.09.2016** - President and vice president of MSSA active participants of 11th Congress of Autism Europe: "Happy, healthy and legislated", Edinburgh, UK.

**29.09-03.10.2016** - Organizers of the second training for parents of children with autism within ESIPP project POU "Dr Zlatan Sremac".

**14.10.-16.10.2016** - Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovski lecturer at the International Conference: "Early intervention in special education and rehabilitation", Subotica, Serbia.

**14.10.-16.10.2016** - Dr. Jasmina Troshanska lecturer at the first international congress of people with disabilities, "Oh, why do not we differ?", organized by the NGO "Give us wings" and MSSA as a partner in the Congress Center of the Skopje Fair, Skopje.

**26.11.2016** – Dr. Vesna Kostic Ivanovic participates in the seminar entitled: Autism - The challenge of modern living organized by the Association Psihointegra as a lecturer on the topic: Challenges to the quality of life of families of people with autism, held in the hall of EU Info Centre and which was attended by 65 professionals working with autistic children and parents of children with ASD.

**09-10.12.2016** - Dr. Vesna Kostic Ivanovic lecturer on the topic: Autism in Republic of Macedonia - current situation in education, treatment and family quality of life, on a Congress organized by the World Inclusion Platform, which was held in Istanbul, and from whom she receives special recognition for outstanding contribution for the Congress.

**12.12.2016** - Jasmina Troshanska defense of the doctoral dissertation: "Problems in processing and integrating sensory stimuli in children with autism."

**From December 2015-December 2016 were published 3 new papers of autism:**

1. Trajkovski V. Immunogenetic aspects of autism spectrum disorders. *Paediatrica Croatica* 2016; 60 (Supl 1): 84-89.
2. Preece D, Symeou L, Stošić J, Troshanska J, Mavrou K, Theodorou E, and Frey Škrinjar J. (2016). Accessing parental perspectives to inform the development of parent training in autism in southeastern Europe. *European Journal of Special Needs Education*. 08856257.
3. Trajkovski V, Jurtoski F. Early intervention in children with autism spectrum disorders in Republic of Macedonia. *Early intervention in Special Education and Rehabilitation-thematic collection of international importance*. October 14-16th, 2016, Subotica: c2016. 139-151.

**Participation in seminars and conferences in the country and abroad:**

1. Preece D, Symeou L, Mavrou K, Stosic J, Troshanska J. Being Part Of It: A Partnership For Developing Evidence-based Parent Education in Autism in south-eastern Europe ECER Conference, 23-26 August 2016, Dublin, Ireland.
2. Preece D, Trajkovski V, Symeou L, Stosic J, Mavrou K, Theodorou E, Troshanska J, Blazevic S, Ruzic A, Baranger A, Fortuna R, Capper A, Charalambous-Darden N, Winstanley A, Hardcastle J, Bramble P, Kokkinos A, Fernandez C, Frey Škrinjar J. [Developing ecologically valid parent education for families living with autism in a part of Europe](#). XI Autism Europe Congress "Happy, healthy and empowered". Edinburgh, September 16-18, 2016.
3. Nolcheva M, Trajkovski V. [Parenting stress in parents of children with autism spectrum disorders in relation to coping mechanisms and family support](#). XI Autism Europe Congress "Happy, healthy and empowered". Edinburgh, September 16-18, 2016.
4. Trajkovski V. Evidence-based practice in autism spectrum disorders. First international congress for persons with disabilities "Why not to be so different". Skopje, October 14-16, 2016; 43-44.
5. Troshanska J, Preece D, Symeou L, Mavrou K, Teodorou T, Stošić J, Fray Škrinjar J, Fortuna R, Charambalos Darden N, Baranger A, Blažević S, Hardcastle J & Trajkovski V. *Едукација на родители на деца со аутизам*. Прв меѓународен конгрес на лица со посебни потреби „А зошто да не сме различни?“ организиран од страна на „Здружение на граѓани за лица со дисфункции, хендикеп, ретки болести и посебни потреби Дајте ни крилја“ 14-16.10. 2016, Скопје.
6. Συμεού Λ, Preece D, Μαύρου Κ, Θεοδώρου Ε, Stošić J, & Troshanska J. The development of an educational program for families with member with autism: Parental needs and priorities in Cyprus. 14th Pan-Cyprian Conference of the Pedagogical Association of Cyprus "Education, interdisciplinary and today's world: the role, the contribution and importance of educational research". October 21-22, 2016, Nicosia, Cyprus.

President of MSSA,

Prof. Dr. Vladimir Trajkovski