Lecturers

Chris Atkins, *Director Stroud Court Community Trust and Director AT-Autism*

Paula Doumanov, *Chief Services Officer, The Inspire Foundation, Malta*

Susanne Hvidtfeldt, *Consultant, Langagarskolen, Aarhus, Denmark*

Birgit Isene, *Psychologist, Langagarskolen, Aarhus, Denmark*

Richard Mills, *AT Autism, National Autistic Society, UK*

Damian Milton, *Head of Information, the National Autistic Society UK. Lecturer the Tizard Centre University of Kent*

Kasper Kock Neilsen, *Koordinator Atlass Danmark*

Evanthia Anastasiou, *Special Education teacher*

Elena Giouroukou, *Psychologist (MSc, PhD)*

Sophia Kapnoyanni, *Psychologist, Psychotherapist*

Anastasia Katsougri, *General education teacher, Headmaster*

Giannis Kotsiolis, *General education teacher*

Katerina Laskaridou, *Psychologist, Special Educator, (BSc, MSc, Med), Ph.d Candidate at Birmingham University*

Pinelopi Mikeli, *Gymnastics teacher*

Stamatina Dalntou, *General education teacher*

Kaiti Seretis, *Consultant*

Aithna Sourbi, *Consultant*

Katerina Sofianopoulou, *Psychologist (MSc)*

Zoefina Tzonaka, *Special Education teacher (MSc)*

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3rd SYNERGY International Conference & Workshop

*Promote inclusion...*

*...end exclusion*

10-11 October 2017

**Conference:** 10 October | 15.00-21.00
2nd Merarchias 36 & Aktis Moutsopoulos, Piraeus

**Workshop:** 11 October | 9.30-16.00
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Conference Program
Tuesday 10 October 2017
2nd Merarchias & Aktis Moutsopoulou, Piraeus

3.00 – 3.30 Registration
3.30 – 4.00 Welcome

1st Session
Synergy Approach in Greece: Progress and challenges in understanding and responding to behaviours that challenge schools

4.00 – 4.20 Katerina Laskaridou & Prof Richard Mills
Beyond behavior - The foundation and principles of Synergy

4.20 – 4.40 Dr Damian Milton & Richard Mills
10 rules to ensure challenging behaviour in schools! – and what to do about it

4.40 – 5.00 Video
My ideal School: Perspectives from autistic adults in Greece

5.00 – 5.20 Sofia Kapnoyani & Dr Anastasia Katsougri
Autism and Behaviour in Greek Schools-The importance of School "Culture" and the Head Teacher’s role in ensuring success

5.20 – 5.40 Evanthia Anastasiou & Dr Elena Giouroukou
Lessons learnt from applying Synergy in the Autism Special School of Piraeus

5.40 – 6.00 Break

6.00 – 6.20 Zoefina Tzonaka, Tina DaIntou, Giannis Kotsiolis & Pinelopi Mikelis
Applying the Synergy Approach in Ralleia Elementary Schools

6.20 – 6.40 Questions & Discussion
6.40 – 7.00 Break

2nd Session
International Perspectives & Applying Synergy Beyond Schools

7.00 – 7.20 Birgit Isene & Susanne Hvidtfeldt, Langagerskolen Aarhus
“How to train mindful strategies within a School setting” Presentation of a mindfulness based project at a special School for pupils with ASD or severe ADHD

7.20 – 7.40 Kasper Kock Nielsen, Ruth Lehms
The Aarhus family program; Reducing parenting stress – Promoting inclusion

7.40 – 8.00 Paula Doumanov, Inspire Foundation, Malta
The challenge facing Maltese Schools

8.00 – 8.20 Chris Atkins
Using the Synergy program with an autistic adult

8.20 – 8.45 Round up, questions and end

CDP Synergy Workshop
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The workshop will be coordinated by Richard Mills and Chris Atkins with contributions from Katerina Sofianopoulou, Athina Sourbi, Kaiti Seretis and Elena Giouroukou.