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INVESTING IN AN INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE SYSTEM: GROWING THE NEXT GENERATION OF THE EU

BOLOGNA, FEBRUARY 23rd 2022 – 15.50 – 17.20

- 15.50** **CONFERENCE “INVESTING IN AN INTEGRATED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION AND CARE SYSTEM: GROWING THE NEXT GENERATION OF THE EU”**
“Stabat Mater” Piazza Galvani, 1 Bologna
- 15.50-16:00** **Institutional greetings**
Stefano Bonaccini – President of the Emilia-Romagna Region
Matteo Lepore, Mayor of Bologna
- 16:00-16:10** **Opening remarks**
Patrizio Bianchi, Italian Minister of Education
Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth
- 16:10-16:30** **Tackling inequalities by investing in quality education: Guidelines for the National Integrated ECEC system**
Keynote Speaker
Susanna Mantovani, President of the ECEC National Commission established by the Italian Ministry of Education
- The Italian experience in the light of the European quality framework for ECEC**
Keynote Speaker
Lucia Balduzzi, Coordinator of the Degree Course for Educators in Childcare Services, Alma Mater University of Bologna
- 16:30-17:10** **The European experiences**
Speeches of invited EU Education Ministers
- 17:10-17:20** **Closing remarks**
Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth
Patrizio Bianchi, Italian Minister of Education