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## International Association for Christian Education - IV

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**Schools500reformation: A worldwide project with contributions by IV**



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# *Who we are*

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*French:* Fédération Internationale Protestante de L'Enseignement

*German:* Internationaler **V**erband für christliche Erziehung und Bildung

*Dutch:* Internationaal **V**erband voor christelijke opvoeding en onderwijs

IV is a non-profit organisation, active in the whole of Europe

IV aims to promote Christian education and Christian school systems

### Members of IV:

National associations of teachers

Schools board organisations and networks of schools

Supporting organisations

Working languages: English, German



## Agenda

### GA 2017, save the Date | AMV 2017, bitte vormerken!

21 Mar 2017 | **General Assembly 2017:** Dublin (Ireland), 1st/2nd December, 2017.

**Allgemeine Mitgliederversammlung 2017:** 1./2. Dezember 2017 in Dublin (Irland).

### Seminar *Eine Pädagogik der Hoffnung*, 18. - 21. April 2017 | Seminar *A pedagogy of hope in a changing Europe*, 18-21 April 2017

21 Feb 2017 | **Eine Pädagogik der Hoffnung** in einem sich verändernden Europa: Ansätze, Perspektiven und Herausforderungen für die Schule  
Europäisches Seminar für Lehrkräfte und Fortbildner/innen, veranstaltet von IV und ICCS in Zusammenarbeit mit der Landesakademie für Fortbildung und Personalentwicklung an Schulen in Baden Württemberg  
**Bad Wildbad (Deutschland), 18. - 21. April 2017.** [[Flyer mit Anmeldeformular](#)]; [[Programm](#). Anmeldefrist bis 10. März 2017.

**A pedagogy of hope in a changing Europe:** Approaches, perspectives and challenges for schools European Seminar for Teachers and Teacher Trainers, organised by the International Association and ICCS in cooperation with the Academy for Further Training and Career Development in Schools of Baden-Württemberg **Bad Wildbad (Germany), 18-21 April, 2017.** [[Flyer with Registration Form](#)]; [[Programme](#).  
**Deadline for Applications is 10 March 2017.**

## News

### Kurzbericht Identität und Diversität | Report Identity and



### Latest Newsletter

[2017\\_09\\_IV\\_ICCS\\_NewsletterEn](#)

[2017\\_09\\_IV\\_ICCS\\_NewsletterDe](#)

[... older newsletters ...](#)

### IV recommends:

#### European Training for Bibliodrama, 2017-2019

An Advanced Training for Bibliodrama in cultural and linguistically mixed groups for people from different countries in different countries, organized by the Gesellschaft für Bibliodrama e.V. and supported by the ERASMUS+ Program of the European Commission. Find more details in [in English here](#) and [in Deutsch hier](#).

### Internationaler Verband für Christliche Erziehung und Bildung (IV)

Der Internationale Verband ist eine Organisation von nationalen Verbänden in verschiedenen Ländern Europas zum Zweck das evangelische Schulwesen in privater wie öffentlich-rechtlicher Trägerschaft zu fördern und die Werte evangelischer Erziehung zu bewahren.

The international Association for Christian Education is an organization of associations from different countries in Europe with the aim to support the Christian Education in privat school as in schools under public law and to save the human values of Christian Education.



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# *Our history*

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## An act of reconciliation after the first World War

*Christian education to promote peace and unity in Europe*

## A new start after Word War II

*Education for Democratic Citizenship, Respect of Human Rights*

## Opening doors after the fall of the Iron Curtain

*Regaining and preserving the values of Christian education,  
encouraging dialogue in an open, pluralistic society*

## Member organisations today coming from:

*Austria, England, Estonia, France, Germany, Ireland, Hungary,  
The Netherlands, Northern Ireland, Poland, Slovakia, Switzerland, Wales*



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# *Specific aims*

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according to the articles



Art.3.2.a

... to promote mutual exchange  
and encounter among Christian  
teachers from European countries







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Art.3.2.b

... to coordinate the interests of Christian schools and  
Christian teaching in the educational and training  
systems of Europe



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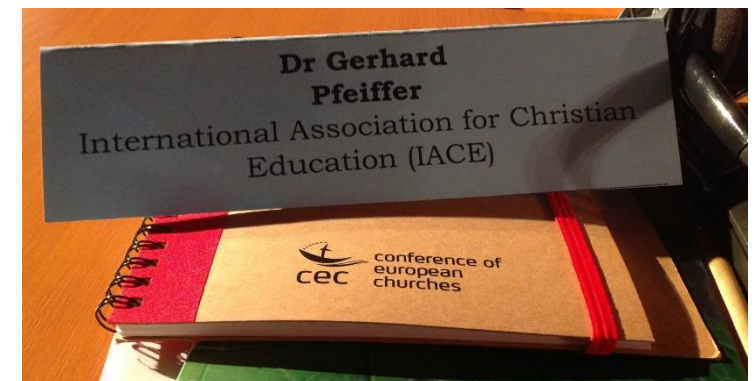
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## Art.3.2.c

... to give face and voice to Christian schools and Christian teaching in and before the churches in Europe and European Institutions ... and to provide appropriate institutional conditions for schools and teachers





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# *Working structures*

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## *Article 4*

The association seeks to achieve its objects, inter alia by:

a. meetings, seminars and conferences;



b. statements and publications;

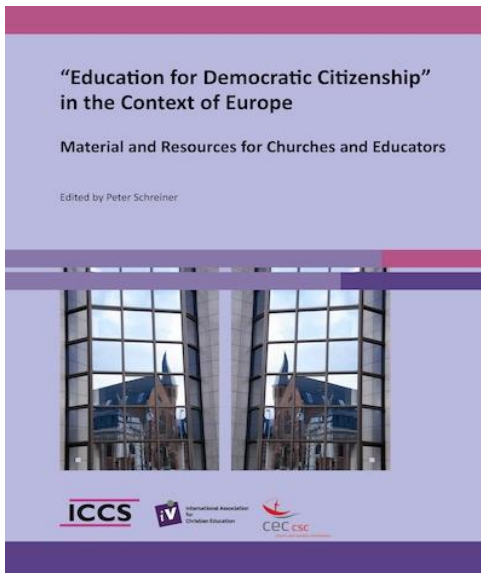
c. joint projects;

d. cooperation with other agencies



e. mediation in the establishment of contacts

f. engagement in any other activities that may meet the objective.





# Partners

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Intereuropean Commission  
on Church and School (ICCS)

Joint projects (conferences, study  
trips, publications)

Common Newsletter (in English, German  
and French)

Mutual attendance of board  
meetings



**Willkommen - Bienvenue - Welcome to the ICCS website**

**NEWS AND INFORMATION**

 **Letter to Correspondents** - a letter to all the ICCS correspondents - [download](#)

 **New publication** - on "Education for Democratic Citizenship" in the Context of Europe. Available to buy (printed) or download for free (PDF) - [more](#)

 **New publication** - Religion in Education Innovation in International Research - [more](#)

**The Situation of RE in Georgia:**  
[download the report.](#) (pdf - 15kb)

**Klingenthal Colloquy 28-31 Apl 2014:**  
"Church and School Issues in Europe today"  
[download the report.](#) (pdf - 1.6Mb)

**Klingenthal Colloquy 8-12 Oct 2012:** "Social Cohesion, Religion and Education in the Context of Europe" - [see the conference report and materials on the CoGREE site.](#)

ICCS, along with [IV](#) took part in the 13th Assembly of the Conference of European Churches. [Download a report](#) of the conference and [the flyer](#) to introduce ICCS and IV to the assembly.

The [Toledo guidelines](#) on Religious Education are now available

**CONFERENCE 2011 - Praha**

- For the [conference pages](#) which has downloads from the conference.

[Conference Website](#) for "Diversity shapes Europe's Future" which took place in Berlin; Sept. 18th and 19th, 2008.

The [main site](#) is in English - some of the pages are also available in other languages.

 ICCS is a member of [CoGREE](#)

**ICCS and IV newsletter: Number #5**

auf [Deutsch](#) in [English](#) en [Français](#) (#4)

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Co-ordinating Group for  
Religion in Education in  
Europe (CoGREE)

together with ICCS, EFTRE and others

Joint conferences on Religious Education

Klingenthal Colloquy on interreligious  
and interconvictional dialogue

Common representation at the  
Council of Europe



The screenshot shows the CoGREE website with a purple and green color scheme. The header features the CoGREE logo and the text "The Co-ordinating Group for Religion in Education in Europe". Below the header is a collage of images showing people at conferences and meetings. The main content area includes a welcome message and two columns: "NEWS" and "UPCOMING EVENTS".

**CoGREE** The Co-ordinating Group  
for Religion in Education in Europe

Welcome to the CoGREE site. We hope that this site will be a centre for religious education in Europe and if you are one of the organisations that are connected with CoGREE we hope that you will contribute information about your organisation and the events.

NEWS	UPCOMING EVENTS
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>CoGREE conference:</b> <i>"Religion in schools in secular Europe? Perspectives from research, politics and practice"</i> - <a href="#">conference materials</a></li> <li>• <b>New Publication:</b> Education for Democratic Citizenship" in the Context of Europe - <a href="#">more</a></li> <li>• <b>New Publication:</b> Religion in Education: Innovation in International Research - <a href="#">more</a></li> <li>• <b>Klingenthal Colloquy 8-12 Oct 2012:</b> "Social Cohesion, Religion and Education in the Context of Europe" - <a href="#">conference materials</a>.</li> <li>• <b>11-15 April, 2012 EUFRES</b> Forum in Madrid</li> <li>• <b>6th-10th March, 2012</b> - "Church Schools and Citizenship", a School Leaders Education Visit to Wales and</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The next <b>Klingenthal colloquy</b> will be from 6th to 10th of October, 2014</li> <li>• The next <b>EFTRE conference</b> will be in Vienna, August 2016.</li> </ul>



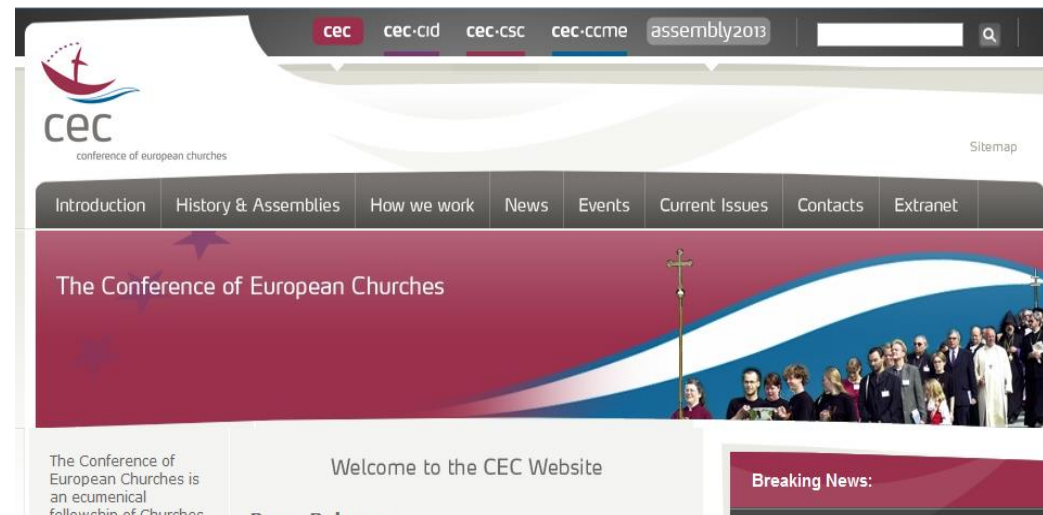
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## Conference of European Churches (CEC)



IV and ICCS as Associated members,  
now: Organisations in partnership



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# Activities I

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## General Assembly and Symposium (every year)



2012 Cieszyn(Poland): „School Chaplaincy in Protestant Schools (Central and Eastern Europe)“

2013 Soesterberg (Netherlands): „School Chaplaincy in Protestant Schools II (Western Europe)“

2014 Pápa (Hungary): „Human Rights and European Values on the Agenda of Christian Schools“

2015 Bern (Switzerland): „Developing the Capacity for Dialogue with others in a Pluralistic Society“

2016 Bratislava (Slovakia): „... and you took Me in“ – Initiatives of Christian Schools in Europe







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# *Activities II*

## European Seminar for Teachers in Bad Wildbad/Black Forest, Germany - every second year

2009 „Evaluating and Improving  
Educational Quality“

2011 "European citizenship for the future:  
the Christian contribution to education for  
democracy"

2013 „Dancing with differences in Europe -  
an opportunity for a Christian inspired  
education“



2015 „Seeking Solidarity in a Troubled  
Europe – Challenges and Choices for  
School and Education“

2017 „ A Pedagogy of Hope in a  
Changing Europe – Approaches,  
Perspectives and Challenges for  
Schools“





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# *Activities III*

## Study Trips for School Leaders (together with ICCS)

School Leaders Education Visit to Wales and England  
'Church Schools and Citizenship'  
March 2012 and April 2013



Visit to Liverpool Hope University





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High School, Wrexham





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Education Visit  
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in the Netherlands





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# Activities IV

## European Conference for Researchers and School Practitioners

**Identity and Diversity – Profiles of Christian Schools in Europe**

**Study Conference for Head Teachers and Education Experts**

organized by the *International Association for Christian Education* (IV) in cooperation with  
the *Department for Research and Development of Protestant Schools* (WAES) and the  
*Comenius-Institute* (CI) **Bratislava/Slovakia, November 17th & 18th, 2016**







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# Activities V

## Co-operating with International Networks

p. ex. Joining and supporting „schools500reformation“ from the beginning

### Regional Conference in Ghana 2014





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*Thank you for your interest!*