



Registration is open!

**ICEVI-Europe Teaching and Teacher Training Professional Interest Group Seminar
May 23 and 24, 2024 in Paris, France**

*Theme: "Educating students with visual impairment in Europe in an inclusive society:
The role of specialist teachers"*

Venue: Institut D'Education Sensorielle (IDES), 88 avenue Denfert Rochereau 75014 Paris
Face-to-face.

Dates: May 23 and 24, 2024

Audience: QTVIs, teacher educators, researchers, managers and heads of service/schools and any other professionals dedicated to the education of young visually impaired people.

Language: English

Registration fee: 60 euros (including participation, coffee breaks, 2 lunches and social event on Thursday evening)

Presentation of topics: The seminar is linked to changes in schooling practices in European countries and visual impairment (VI) and the subsequent consequences among young people: These can include, increase of schooling in regular classes, increase of disorders associated with visual impairment, low prevalence of visual impairment among children. Classroom and subject teachers are expected to take responsibility for certain aspects of teaching included students, with the tasks of the specialist teacher evolving towards that of "resource person" or even an advisory role. Complex consequences of ocular or cerebral diseases need to master compensatory techniques and the number of partners involved in the success of schooling make this a difficult task, particularly in the context of inclusion, which implies distant travel for itinerant teachers. In some countries, the difficulty is augmented by a lack of advanced specific training and a shortage of trained specialist teachers.

We will be looking at the situation and at specific pedagogical support practices, from a comparative perspective, but above all with the purpose of highlighting specific pedagogical best practices that can be transposed to different national contexts to meet those challenges.

This seminar is designed to be **interactive**. To enable each participant to take an active part in discussions, **representatives from each country will be asked to send by e-mail A.S.A.P. and at least one month before the event**, a summary document of no more than 4 pages presenting:

- organization of the education system (very briefly)
- schooling arrangements for students with VI
- support arrangements for those students
- initial (general) and in-service training for teachers in the field of visual impairment

Additional interesting documents may be sent

Participants are asked to read the documents before the seminar.

Documents must be accessible to people with VI.

Organization: plenary sessions and workshops

The seminar will focus on the following four areas:

Parallel sessions (workshops) with moderators in each:

1. Schooling arrangements for pupils with visual impairments
2. Support arrangements QTVI and other professionals
3. Initial training for specialist teachers in the field of visual impairment
4. Continuous training for (Q)TVI

One of our other aims at this seminar is to prepare and organise various presentations and workshops at the 10th ICEVI European Conference scheduled to be held May 15-17, 2025 in Padova, Italy of which this seminar can support the presentations.

Registration: follow or copy and paste this link:

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A tutorial in English is available to help

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