

SHORT REPORT ABOUT THE ‘LEARNING AND SOCIETY (2025)’ CONFERENCE AND THE MEC-SZ-24-149026 PROJECT

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“Learning and Society (2025)” International Interdisciplinary Conference was held in Eger, between October 3-5, 2025, in the main building of Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, as one of the events aimed at celebrating the 200th anniversary of the Hungarian Academy of Sciences.

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About the conference

Based on preliminary registration data, 182 people from at least nine countries (Cambodia, the Netherlands, China, Hungary, Malaysia, Romania, Serbia, Slovakia and Ukraine) registered for the event, at which 194 authors (including 12 who were not registered by the conference but were listed as co-authors) presented a total of 141 presentations in 13 sections. The presentations were public.

Four public plenary lectures were:

- Horák, Rita (Prof. PhD; Serbia): The Responsibility of Education in Environmental Protection: Perspectives from Serbia.

- Nagy, Melinda (Dr. Habil. PaedDr.; Slovakia): Learning and Society: Expert Dialogues and Community Engagement in Addressing Local Challenges

- Pásztor, Rita (PhD; Romania) and Gál, Katalin (PhD; Romania): Promoting Student Success and Equal Opportunities: Needs Assessment for the Foundation of Disadvantage Compensation Programs in Secondary and Higher Education

- Mező, Ferenc (PhD; Hungary) and Mező, Katalin (PhD; Hungary): The OxIPO Project: increasing the human information processing performance

Accompanying programs were:

- 2025.10.03-05.: Art and Poster Exhibition

- 2025.10.03., 18.10-18.30: Military history model exhibition

- 2025.10.04., 9.00-10.00: Filming, interviews

- 2025.10.04., 16.30-17.30: Science show in the astronomy tower

- 2025.10.04., 18.00-19.00: International Learning Research Network

- 2025.10.04., 20.00-22.00: Conversation circle with Dudás Éva, Halasi Szabolcs, Juhász Dániel, Mező Ferenc, Nagy Kanász Viola, Papp Zoltán, Pintér Krekic Valéria, Udvaros Anna, Udvaros Borbála, Varga Zsolt.

- 2025.10.05., 10.30-12.00: “Innovation – from the aspect of learning and society” workshop

- 2025.10.05., 14.00-16.00: Organizing Committee Meeting

Organizing Committee

The Head of the Organizing Committee was Ferenc Mező (Ph.D., Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary).

The Members of the Scientific Committee were:

- Gál, Katalin (Ph.D., Partium Christian University, Romania)

- Hanák, Zsuzsanna (Habil., Ph.D., Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)

- Horák, Rita (Prof., Ph.D., University of Novi Sad, Serbia)

- Mező, Katalin (Ph.D., University of Debrecen, Hungary)

- Mogyorósi, Zsolt (Ph.D., Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)

- Muntean, Loredana (Ph.D., Universitatea din Oradea, Romania)

- Pšenáková, Ildikó (Habil., Ph.D., Trnava University in Trnava, Slovakia)

- Szabó, Tibor (Ph.D., Constantine The Philosopher University in Nitra, Slovakia)

- Szabóné, Balogh Ágota Márta (Ph.D., Gál Ferenc University, Hungary)

- Szűts, Zoltán (Ph.D., Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)

- Ujfaludi, László (Ph.D., Prof.emeritus, Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)

- Varga, Zsolt (Ph.D., University of Debrecen, Hungary)

The members of the event organizing group were the next coworkers of the Eszterházy Károly Catholic University (Hungary):

- Gál, Tibor (Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)
- Kormos, Ádám (Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)
- Oszlanczi, Krisztina (Eszterházy Károly Catholic University, Hungary)
- Tóth, Ádám (Project Manager, Project Management Group)
- Román, Enikő (Finance Manager, Project Finance Group)
- Varga, Ferenc (Head of Department, Communication Department)
- Berecz, Adrienn (Event Planner, Communications Group)
- Bíró, Tünde (Graphic designer)
- Izsóf, Rebeka (Event Planner, Communications Group)

The volunteer student helpers were the following psychology students of the Eszterházy Károly Catholic University (Hungary):

- Csajbók, Gábor
- Hegedűs, Marcell
- Szabó, Klára
- Cz. Tóth, Csenge Flóra
- Bodnár, Alíz
- Szentgyörgyi, Kitti

Chairmen of the sections were:

- Section 1: Szabóné Balogh, Ágota (PhD) and Szabó, Tibor (PhD)
- Section 2: Szűts, Zoltán (Prof., PhD) and Mogyorósi, Zsolt (PhD)
- Section 3: Gál, Katalin (PhD) and Hanák, Zsuzsanna (PhD, Habil.)
- Section 4: Horák, Rita (Prof., PhD) and Mező, Katalin (PhD)

- Section 5: Müller, Anetta (Prof., PhD) and Urbinné Borbély, Szilvia (PhD)
- Section 6: Mező, Katalin (PhD) and Mező, Ferenc (PhD)
- Section 7: Bogárdi, Tünde (PhD) and Frank, Tamás (PhD)
- Section 8: Pšenáková, Ildikó (PhD, Habil.) and Simándi, Szilvia (PhD, habil.)
- Section 9: Pšenáková, Ildikó (PhD, Habil.) and Pšenák, Peter (PhD)
- Section 10: Vida, Gergő (PhD) and Mikelayi, Wumaier (Drs)
- Section 11: Ujfaludi, László (Prof. CSc.) and Muntean, Loredana (PhD)
- Section 12: Lestyán, Erzsébet (PhD) és Kós, Nóra (PhD)
- Section 13: Mező, Ferenc (PhD)

Products

Products of the MEC_SZ_24_149026 project are:

- 1) The URL of the project website is:

<https://uni-eszterhazy.hu/tanulas-konferencia/hirek>

2) "Learning and Society" Interdisciplinary International Conference (Eger, October 3-5, 2025). 194 authors from 9 countries took part in the event, and 141 presentations were presented in 13 sections.

3) The e-brochure containing the program and abstracts of the "Learning and Society" Interdisciplinary International Conference was published. Bibliographic data: Mező Ferenc (Szerk.) (2025): *Tanulás és társadalom (2025) – Program és absztraktok*. EKKE, Eger. URL: https://publikacio.uni-eszterhazy.hu/8888/1/absztr_teljes.pdf

4) A 152-page (A4 size) e-publication summarizing the project was published. Bibliographic data: Mező Ferenc (Szerk.) (2025): *Tanulás és társadalom (2025) – Válogatott tanulmányok*. EKKE, Eger. URL: <https://publikacio.uni-eszterhazy.hu/8883/1/tanulmanykotet.pdf>

5) The short film related to the Interdisciplinary International Conference "Learning and Society" was released on the project website. URL: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sdnZc92kmgw>

6) 14 online news reports about the project have been published on the project website.

7) Invitations to the "Learning and Society (2025)" conference were published in the following journals and issues:

- Különleges Bánásmód folyóirat, 2024/4.
- Különleges Bánásmód folyóirat, 2025/1.
- Különleges Bánásmód folyóirat, 2025/2.
- Különleges Bánásmód folyóirat, 2025/3.
- Különleges Bánásmód folyóirat, 2025/SI
- OxIPO folyóirat, 2024/4.

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- OxIPO folyóirat, 2025/3.
- Mesterséges intelligencia folyóirat, 2024/2.
- Mesterséges intelligencia folyóirat, 2025/1.
- Lélektan és hadviselés folyóirat, 2024/2.
- Lélektan és hadviselés folyóirat, 2025/1.

8) A report on the event was published in the following journals:

- OxIPO folyóirat, 2025/4.
- Mesterséges intelligencia folyóirat, 2025/2.
- Lélektan és hadviselés folyóirat, 2025/2.

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