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**INVITATION and CALL for CONTRIBUTIONS to
ELINET's Annual Cross Cutting Topic 2020:
"Enhancing Digital Literacy Skills:
Good Practices for Early and Primary Years Education"**

This CALL addresses all members of the ELINET Association (see: www.elinet.pro) and external experts to contribute to our Annual Topic. We want to collect, exchange and analyze *research and good practice examples* on this topic – especially projects, reports and examples which are only available in national languages and need to be translated into English in order to reach out to the international community of literacy experts, researchers and practitioners. This exchange will mainly be carried out by online media - our website, skype conferences, webinars – and shall lead to create a *European policy paper* addressing policymakers, practitioners and other stakeholders in this field. This paper shall contain research based recommendations for educating pre-school and primary children to become digitally literate citizens.

We are looking for *three kinds of contributors*: 1) people who want to be actively involved in the full process and be part of the editing group for this paper; 2) people who contribute with single research reports or good practice examples; and 3) people who are interested to review good practice examples according to agreed criteria.

Please join us:

- **in addressing the chairpersons of our Thematic Working Group:**
Fabio Nascimbeni (fabio.nascimbeni@gmail.com) or Jeroen Clemens (jeroencl@gmail.com)
- **and / or in participating in our face-to-face meeting** at the 4th Baltic Sea Conference on Literacy in Tallinn on January 18, 2020, from 11.30 to 17.30!

Programme of the ELINET Meeting in Tallinn:

ELINET members and external experts are cordially invited to meet in Tallinn to work on our Annual Topic "Enhancing Digital Literacy Skills: Good Practices for Early and Primary Years Education" in **Room M-135 of Tallinn University**. Schedule for this meeting:

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11:30 – 13:00 Session I on Annual Topic: Digital Literacy (Skills and Competences) for Children: Definitions, Frameworks and Research to build on.

Input:

Fabio Nascimbeni (by video conference on skype): Proposal for a starting definition, based on the UNICEF Scoping Paper “Digital Literacy for Children” (15 Min.)

Eufimia Tafa: Main findings and policy recommendations from the COST Action “Digital Literacy and Multimodal Practices of Young Children” (DigiLitEY) (15 Min.)

Renate Valtin: Main findings and educational recommendations from Maryanne Wolf: “Reader, Come Home: The Reading Brain in a Digital World” (2018) (15 Min.)

Sari Sulkunen: Print reading and digital reading: Main findings and policy recommendations from the COST Action E-READ (Evolution of reading in the age of digitisation) and the meta-analysis by Virginia Clinton 2019 on print and digital reading (15 Min.)

Discussion: 30 Min.

Moderation: Jeroen Clemens

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break

14:00 – 15:00 General Assembly of the ELINET Association

15:15 – 16:15 Session II on Annual Topic: The Structure of our Policy Statement – Which questions do we want to tackle? Discussion of a proposal which will be prepared by the TWG’s Digital Literacy & Early and Primary Literacy.

Moderation: Sari Sulkunen & Bill Brozo

16:30 – 17:30 Session III on Annual Topic: Preparing the collection and review of Good Practice examples

We want to engage *all our members* as well as future members and externals to provide us with good practice examples in the domain of our annual topic. ELINET currently represents members from 15 countries, thus our ambition is to collect, review and – if approved – publish examples from many countries on our website. The subject of this third session will be to prepare this process: Defining the areas and criteria of good practice and discussing the tools and procedures how to collect and review good practice examples. As for the tools, we will build on the Good Practice Tools which the ELINET project developed in 2014-2016 which however need to be modified.

Moderation: Renate Valtin, Tiziana Mascia & Eufimia Tafa

Please find **more information** about the concept of annual topics, the work process and resources on our website: www.elinet.pro