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Leadership in Action – Project #6
Access & Success for Students with ASD

Presented by: Ms. KIN Tepmonyneath (Cambodia)
Access and Success for Student with AUTISM

About the Leadership in Action Project #6
How much do you know about Autism Spectrum Disorder?
Background

What is Autism?

Autism is a lifelong developmental disability that affects how a person communicates with and relates to other people. It also affects how they make sense of the world around them.

Autism is a spectrum condition. It affects people in different ways. Like all people, autistic people have their own strengths and weaknesses.
That is the reason why we intend to implement such a project.
Objectives

▪ The project "Access & Success for Students with Autism" connects students of mixed abilities and educators in higher education for a peer-to-peer exchange and collaboration across the ASEM countries.

▪ The objective is to develop a mini comparative research study on teaching & learning experiences as well as development opportunities and support mechanism for students with ASD.

▪ The project takes place between June to November 2021.
# Project Team

The project team comprises of university lecturer, experts and students from the two continents including:

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LEADERSHIP IN ACTION: ACCESS & SUCCESS FOR STUDENTS WITH ASD

Team Members

We are Access Diversity Success Team
Project Timeline

August
- Workshop on Quality of educational support for people with ASD

September
- Workshop on Improving Students’ Knowledge Regarding Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD)

November
- Workshop on Autistic Student Needs in Higher Education
Intangible Outcomes

- The first workshop was about the Quality of Educational Support for People with ASD.
- The webinar was conducted in a form of lecturer/presentation addressing Autism and the discussion of the solution.
- We invited experts from Laos to shed some light on the issue reflecting from their practical experiences and knowledge including some brief information of resolution.
QUALITY OF EDUCATIONAL SUPPORT FOR PEOPLE WITH ASD

Our Speaker
Ms. Chanthaphone Sanouvong

General Manager at Minna no Cafe (Marche Du Lao Project-Social Business for People Living with Disability)
Affiliated to Asian Development with the Disabled Persons (ADDP)
Snapshot of the Workshop

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Leadership in Action Projects

Virtual Workshop on 31 August 2021

Levels of Intellectual Disability

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Intangible Outcomes

- The second workshop was about Improving Students’ Knowledge Regarding Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).
- The workshop was conducted in a form of lecturer/presentation addressing Autism and the discussion of the solution as the first one.
- We invited the speaker from Singapore who experienced Autism.
James Chan, Singapore

Speaker & Advisor

James is an Inclusion Advisor for ASEF, in this position he helps establish inclusive organizational practices. He is also an advisor for LiA project. James is also a Singapore University of Social Sciences student. At the Singapore Goh Chok Tong Enable Awards ceremony, he was one of 16 people honored by Emeritus Senior Minister Mr GOH Chok Tong and Her Excellency the President Halimah YACOB. He was also given a grant by SGEnable through the MediaCorp Enabling Fund to attend the All-Ireland Fleadh Cheoil 2018 in Ireland, making him the first Singaporean to compete in the annual national music championships. Since being diagnosed with Autism in 2017, he has been collaborating for a more inclusive and diverse society, serving as an Inclusion Ambassador with the Disabled People’s Association, and attending the 21st ASEF Summer University on ‘Youth and Disabilities: Shaping Inclusive ASEM Societies.’

A note on language

- I use Identity First language.
- I am proud to be Autistic.
- When discussing about my Autism, please acknowledge me as an Autistic person.
- Saying “You (James) are Autistic” is okay. I love it! 😊

We do things. Contributed to many errors.
Snapshot of the Workshop
Intangible Outcomes

- The third workshop was about Autistic Student Needs in Higher Education.
- This time, project lead Dr. Myagmarsuren Orosoo was a speaker.
- She presented briefly about needs and support for Higher Education Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder.
Dr Myagmarsuren OROSOO, Mongolia

Project Lead

Myagmarsuren holds a Doctorate degree in Linguistics, Language Policy and Planning. She graduated from the Mongolian University of Science and Technology as an English and Korean translator. Her research interests are applied linguistics, terminology work and teacher development. Myagmarsuren has published more than 45 articles and presented 40 presentations at scientific conferences. She worked as an intern at Karunya University, India and as a volunteer, interpreter and guide for the Asian Boxing Championship. She is currently working as a Senior Lecturer at the Mongolian National University of Education. Myagmarsuren is an ASEFEdu alumnus.

Autistic Student Needs in Higher Education

Academic Advising

- Get help on your degree plan
- Choose a major and career
- Find support for your academic career
- Register for your courses
- Prepare for graduation
- Get engaged on campus
- Explore campus resources

Source: Gina Grogan: Austin Peay State University
Question

- Do you have a particular hobby or specific area of interest? Please describe. What are your career plans?
- What do you consider your greatest strength or what you are good at?
- What do you consider a weakness of yours or something that is very difficult for you?
All the workshops had very interesting topics and most participants engaged actively. They were looking forward to participating in the next workshop sessions.
Thank you very much for your attentions!
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