Why is ISOTIS relevant?

We aim to contribute to more effective policy and practice development. We will make recommendations and suggest concrete tools to:

- Support target families and communities in using their own cultural and linguistic resources to create safe and stimulating home environments for their children;
- Implement effective and inclusive pedagogies in early childhood education and care centres and primary schools;
- Professionalize staff, centres and schools to improve quality and inclusiveness;
- Establish inter-agency coordination of support services to children and families;
- Develop policies to combat educational inequalities.

What is the approach of ISOTIS?

We aim to approach the interrelated influences on children’s development.

Our focus includes the multiple environments in which children are embedded (represented as circles in the image), which interact and influence their development.

In Greek ἰσότης (pronounced “eesótis” in English) means equality, evenness, fairness, parity. In alignment with the Greek term, ISOTIS builds on the strengths and potential of culturally and linguistically diverse families, by giving them a voice in how to adapt early education systems and support services. The central goal of ISOTIS is to combat inequalities and increase inclusiveness.
How will ISOTIS make a difference?

We will design **collaborative online tools** and **apps** for parents, classrooms and professionals involved in the lives of our target children and families.

Our results will **support European practice** and **policy** to meet the challenges and advantages of an increasingly diverse, inclusive European society.

**ISOTIS is a collaborative project that includes 17 partners and 11 countries:**

- Utrecht University, Netherlands (Coordinator: Paul Leseman)
- University of Oxford, United Kingdom
- University College of Southeast Norway, Norway
- University of Amsterdam, The Netherlands
- Trinity College Dublin, Ireland
- Free University Berlin, Germany
- University of Milano-Bicocca, Italy
- University of Coimbra, Portugal
- University of Porto, Portugal
- University Institute of Lisbon, Portugal
- Hellenic Open University, Greece
- University of Warsaw, Poland
- University of Oslo, Norway
- Institute of Research and Information on Volunteering, France
- International Step by Step Association, The Netherlands
- Wise & Munro, The Netherlands
- Masaryk University, the Czech Republic

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