

## ECHA 2014 Call for Proposals

The 2014 conference highlights Re:thinking Giftedness: Giftedness in the Digital Age. The concept of giftedness is continuing to undergo change at a rapid pace and the experiences of those who work in the field are being transformed as a consequence. Presentations and discussions will explore European and global trends and examine what research into rethinking giftedness in a digital age tells us about the impact of these changes.

The conference offers presenters the opportunity to submit research results and/or experiences from practice in five different proposal formats: symposia, papers, posters, workshops, and demonstrations. For all formats an **e-abstract submission** is required by **April, 30, 2014**. Abstracts will be reviewed by the conference programme committee for relevance to the conference theme and methodological rigor. Detailed guidelines on the submission process are available from the conference website **www.echa2014.info**.

**Symposia:** 3 – 4 papers from different countries and a discussant around a common theme. Each session will last for 120 minutes including discussion.

**Papers:** 30 minutes each including discussion. Individual papers will be grouped into larger sessions by theme.

**Posters:** posters will be displayed, and informal sessions will be organised for conference participants to interact with authors.

**Demonstrations:** 30 minute practical demonstrations relating to teaching or research tools and methods in ICT, music, dance, theatre, painting, photography, video, and other art forms.

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# 14<sup>th</sup> INTERNATIONAL ECHA CONFERENCE



17 – 20 September 2014  
Ljubljana – Slovenia  
[www.echa2014.info](http://www.echa2014.info)

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Dear Colleagues,

The European Council for High Ability, the Faculty of Education University of Ljubljana, and the conference organising company MiB are delighted to invite you to the 14th ECHA Conference to be held in Ljubljana, Slovenia, from 17th to 20th September 2014.

The theme of the conference is Re:thinking giftedness: Giftedness in the Digital Age. Through an examination of current theory, research and practice the conference will explore the possibilities and challenges that the “digital age” offers to the education of the gifted across the lifespan. In addition the conference will highlight current trends in research and practice considering how to best support and nurture giftedness now and in the future. The conference offers a range of formal and informal opportunities to further develop existing links and to establish new connections and networks that will lead to a greater understanding of giftedness in the digital age.

We are looking forward to meeting you all in the beautiful city of Ljubljana and to providing a forum to share and discuss common issues within an international community of researchers and practitioners from Europe and the rest of the world.

Dobrodošli.  
Welcome.

*Prof. Peter Csermely*  
President of ECHA

*Assoc. Prof. Mojca Juriševič*  
Chair of the Conference  
Programme Committee

## Keynote speakers

Prof. Peter Csermely, Hungary  
Prof. Mihaly Csikszentmihalyi, USA  
Prof. Joan Freeman, UK  
Prof. Márta Fülöp, Hungary  
Prof. Norbert Jaušovec, Slovenia  
Prof. Albert Ziegler, Germany



House of Experiments – The Slovenian Science Centre (Photo: Branko Čeak)

## Invited speakers

Prof. Sheyla Blumen, Peru  
Jasna Cvetković-Lay, Croatia  
Prof. Rosa Angela Fabio, Italy  
Csilla Fuszek, Hungary  
Dr Lianne Hoogeveen, Netherlands  
Assoc. Prof. Martin Kubala, Czech Republic  
Prof. Slavica B. Maksić, Serbia  
Prof. Peter Merrotsy, Australia  
Dr Claudia Resch, Austria  
Prof. Frank C. Worrell, USA



Bled (Photo: www.bled.si)

## Social Programme & Tours

### Tours

Ljubljana walking tour  
Bled  
Postojna  
Piran

### Social Programme

Gala dinner  
Slovenian culture  
Book & Wine

more: [www.echa2014.info](http://www.echa2014.info)



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