

Friday, 14 November 2025

ABU DHABI TIME ZONE (GMT+4)	LONDON TIME ZONE (GMT+0)	The Vision Room	The Nurture Room	The Mosaic Room	The Leadership Room	The Discovery Room	Montessori Exploration Room	The Bright Start AI LAB
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In-Person at HCT Abu Dhabi with Global Live Transmission
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10:00-11:00		HCT Abu Dhabi Campus & Conference Secretariat Open					
11:00-11:30	7:00-7:30		Outdoor Math Magic: Nature as a Classroom for Early Learners, <i>Prof. Rebecca Giles, & Prof. Dr. Paige Vitulli, USA</i>	Harmonising Inclusive Learning: A Neurological Approach to Integrating AI and Music Technology in Early Childhood Classrooms, <i>Dr. Joy Hernandez, USA</i>	Integrating Cognitive Neuroscience and Holistic Development Practices in the Early Years, <i>Fatima Boush, UAE</i>	Navigating AI in Early Childhood Teacher Preparation, <i>Dr. Ahmet Sami Konca, Dr. Robert Miles, Dr. Ian Parker & Dr.Nadya Moosa, UAE</i>	
11:30-12:00	7:30-8:00						
12:00-13:00	8:00 - 9:00	Networking Lunch — HCT Abu Dhabi Campus					
13:00-13:30	9:00-9:30		Tiny hands, shared screens: a UAE snapshot of early digital parenting, <i>Assia Nait Kassi, & Prof. Antje von Suchodoletz, UAE</i>	Championing Equity and Inclusion: Culturally Responsive Approaches in Early Years Education, <i>Sally Hill & Erica Livy, China</i>	Developing Inquiry & Advocacy in an Open-Concept Model, <i>Sabine Luckhardt, Ami Hirsch, Ghida Jalloul, UAE</i>	Wearable Tech Meets Early Years: Insights from Real-World Research, <i>Dr. Gemma Goldenberg, UK</i>	
13:30-14:00	9:30-10:00		The Learner's Voice: Transforming Engagement in Early Childhood, <i>Dr Kathryn Peckham, Kuwait</i>				

n-Person at HCT Abu Dhabi & Park Plaza Victoria, London — with Global Live Transmission

	9:00-10:00	London Venue & Conference Secretariat Open						
							<u>Montessori Exploration</u> Innovate and Imagine Touch & Try Create Your Own Montessori Material Montessori-Inspired STEM & STEAM Montessori Practical Life in Action	
14:00-14:30	10:00-10:30		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr.Tania AlAghar, UAE</i> The pivotal role of the practitioner in supporting self-regulation in the early years, <i>Jayne Carter, UK</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Slim Khemakhem, UAE</i> Physical Literacy for the 21st Century Child: Tech-Smart and Active, <i>Trent Davis, Australia</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Sahbi Hidri, UAE</i> Intentional Interactions: Transforming Teacher-Child Interactions - The CIRPA Approach, <i>Esteban Morales, USA</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Robin Ogdol, UAE</i> Every Child a Thinker: STEAM & Early Problem-Solving Skills, <i>Prof. Lea Ann Christenson, USA</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Fatema Al Awadhi, UAE</i> Discover Literacy-Focused AI in Google Read Along, <i>Cat Lamin, CANOPY EDUCATION CIC, United Kingdom</i>
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15:00-15:30	11:00-11:30							
15:30-16:00	11:30-12:00	Shaping the Future of Early Childhood: Project Zero, Harvard’s Global Insights, Co-Chairs - Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr. Priti Verma & Dr Slim Khemakhem, UAE</i> Session Moderator – London: <i>Dr. Jacqueline Harding, UK</i> <i>Dr. Edward Clapp, & Dr. Christina Smiraglia, USA</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Hiea Mizyed, UAE</i> What is the impact of early intervention on very young autistic children and their families? <i>Lucie Wheeler, Dr. Theodora Papatheodorou, & Tracy Pepper, UK</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Laila N. Boisselle, UAE</i> The Art of Observation, <i>Karen Chetwynd, UK & Marvin Reyes, Germany</i>		<u>Montessori Exploration</u> Innovate and Imagine Touch & Try Create Your Own Montessori Material Montessori-Inspired STEM & STEAM Montessori Practical Life in Action	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Tasleem Kala, UAE</i> Lion Breathing with Robots: Exploring AI in Early Childhood Environments, <i>Jen Poulton, UK</i>
16:00-16:30	12:00-12:30	Reclaiming Care, role of families in Education, Co-Chairs - Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr. Priti Verma & Dr Slim Khemakhem, UAE</i> <i>Prof. Gordon Harold, Dame Alison Peacock, Prof. Verity Campbell Barr, & Karen Chetwynd, UK</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Huda Alblooshi</i> Puppetry as Empowerment: Providing Opportunity for Every Child’s Voice to Be Heard, <i>Alexandra Ashworth, USA</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Hiea Mizyed, UAE</i> From the Crib to Coding: How Early Learning Fuels the Future of AI, <i>Dr. Aimee Ketchum, & Prof. Crystal Loose, USA</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Laila N. Boisselle, UAE</i> Empowering Educators to Support Multilingual Learners, <i>Karen Nemeth, USA</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Britannie Diaz, UAE</i> Leveraging Google’s NotebookLM in Early Years & Primary Settings, <i>Katie Wells, CANOPY EDUCATION CIC, United Kingdom</i>
16:30-17:00	12:30-13:00							
17:00-17:30	13:00-13:30	Coffee/Tea Break — Abu Dhabi & Lunch Break — London						
17:30-18:00	13:30-14:00	'Part of the Evolving Voices of Children Pedagogy™ International project'' Voices of Children Pedagogy™ Leaders' Forum, Co-Chairs: <i>Dr. Eirini Gkouskou, UK, Prof. Susan Edwards, Australia, Dr. Priti Verma & Dr Slim Khemakhem, UAE</i> Opening Address: <i>Dr. Sarah Aiono, New Zealand</i> Presenters: <i>Andrea Lopes, Brazil, Parul Sindhwani & Amrisha Salvan, India</i>	Session Moderator – London: <i>Dr. Jacqueline Harding, UK</i> Reggio Reimagined: Developing a Principles-Based Curriculum for Meaningful and Joyful Learning, <i>Melanie Moore, & Gillian Quantrell, UK</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Huda Alblooshi</i> Wheels of Change: Innovating Power Mobility for Every Child, <i>Sara Murchison, Canada</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Aisha Alteneiji, UAE</i> The Role of the Montessori Guide, <i>Preeti Patel, Jayde Davies, UK</i>	Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Dr Robin Ogdol, UAE</i> e-MoBo: A Social Robot Helping Young Children Recognize, Label, Express, and Regulate Emotions, <i>Dr. Yarden Kedar & Prof. Keith Evan Green, USA</i>		Leveraging Google’s NotebookLM
18:00-18:30	14:00-14:30						<u>Montessori Exploration</u> Innovate and Imagine Touch & Try Create Your Own Montessori Material Montessori-Inspired STEM & STEAM Montessori Practical Life in Action	
18:30-19:00	14:30-15:00		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Fatema Al Awadhi, UAE</i> Simple Moves, Big Impact: Early Years Movement Made Easy!, <i>Darlene Koskinen, Finland</i>	Session Moderator – London: <i>Dr. Jacqueline Harding, UK</i> Roots Before Wings: Nurturing Social & Emotional Well-Being in Early Childhood Through Play and Parent Involvement, <i>Theodora Bogiou, Greece</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Basma Abdulla, UAE</i> Nature as a Classroom: Transforming Learning for All Children, <i>Katharina Ehrenfried, Germany</i>		Session Moderator – Abu Dhabi: <i>Savita Parashar, UAE</i> Introducing Magic Tools in Canva, <i>Hannah Matthews, CANOPY EDUCATION CIC, United Kingdom</i>
19:00-19:30	15:00-15:30	<i>Nadira Alborno, UAE</i>						
19:30-20:00	15:30-16:00	Close of In-Person Sessions (Abu Dhabi) Coffee/Tea Break (London)						
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	16:30-17:00		Teaching from the Heart: The Calming Classroom, <i>Sarah Jane Anthony, Kristin Einarsdóttir, & Rachel Bennett, Iceland</i>	Growing Resilient Learners: Practical Approaches with the ROOTS Framework, <i>Dr. Amanda McCabe, USA</i>	Strengthening Professional Identity: Redefining the Role of Early Childhood Professionals, <i>Dr. Isabel Lainez, USA</i>	Therapy Animals in Early Learning Environments: Enhancing Social and Emotional Development, <i>Sara Bradley, & Dr. Robyn Maitoza, USA</i>		
	17:00-17:30			Stronger Together: Building Family and Community Partnerships for Every Child’s Success, <i>Parul Sindhwani, India</i>	From Classroom to Leadership: Driving Early Childhood Excellence Under Vision 2030, <i>Prof. Nahla Gahwaji, Saudi Arabia</i>	Sustainable Play in Action: A Hands-On Journey for Every Child, <i>Caroline Kerr, Ireland</i>		
	17:30-18:00		Montessori for Inclusion, <i>Dame Alison Peacock, Catherine Mole, UK</i>					
			Meeting Families Where They Are: Navigating Hard Conversations with Compassion and Purpose, <i>Nicola Maher, UK</i>	Invitations to Play: Unlocking the Magic of Child-Led Exploration, <i>Dr. Syeda Rizvi, UK</i>	From Burnout to Brilliance: Transforming Educator Wellbeing for Lasting Impact, <i>Rowena Hicks, UK</i>	Montessori Magic: Crafting Materials that Inspire, <i>Romali Rosales Chavarria, UK</i>		
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	19:00-19:30	Montessori Global Awards 2025 Ceremony, Presented by Montessori Global Education						
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	20:00-20:30							
	20:30-21:00	Networking Reception with Buffet Dinner – London— <i>Sponsored by Montessori Global Education</i>						