11th IASSIDD PIMD ECR Day Online: 8th October 2021

On the 8th of October, the researchers of the SIRG PIMD gathered during the 11th ECRM. Due to Covid-19 the meeting was online. To get to know each other we started with an introduction round. Next, there were interesting presentations about the research projects of eleven Early Career Researchers:

Presenter	Topic
David Watt	A measure of social justice? The development of the curriculum and certification of young people with learning disabilities in Scotland
Katharine Slade	The experiences of parents caring for young people with profound and multiple learning disabilities (PMLD) during the transition years to adulthood: a qualitative evidence synthesis
Victoria Churchill	Developing a music therapy resource with key stakeholders, including adults with severe to profound and multiple disabilities
Lorene Guenot-Comairas	Objects of Reference: Self-determination support for people with Profound Intellectual Multiple Disabilities (PIMD)?
Hille Voss	Health practitioners' perspectives and practices of providing end-of-life care for people with profound intellectual and multiple disability
Thomas Madhavaram Kishore & Osheen Saxena	Attitude of significant others make a difference in the life of people with PIDD
Rosie Rushton	Musical Play: investigating the impact of Musical Play on play experiences for children with Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties and their supporting play-partnerships.
Synne Skarsaune	Holding another carefully – exploring relations between persons with profound intellectual and multiple disabilities and professional caregivers.
Joao Canossa Diaz	Atypical interpersonal communication: looking for and through a different "lens"
Gilles Droogmans	"Ça va?" Pathways towards more qualitative staff-client interactions in services for persons with severe to profound intellectual disabilities
Magdalena Vaneva Hadzhieva	Study of the views of pedagogical specialists for the education of children with profound intellectual and multiple disabilities in Bulgaria and Belgium (Flanders)

Afternoon program: involving persons with PIMD in research

After a lunch break, we focused on involving persons with PIMD in research. Prof. Dr. Simo Vehmas, professor of special education at Stockholm University (Sweden), and a visiting professor at Lillehammer University College (Norway), gave an introduction on his research and about work with people who have PIMD. Afterwards, we discussed and shared some thoughts.

At the end of the afternoon, we had a social session, in which we played bingo.

It was a very inspiring and interesting meeting! For more information about the SIRG-PIMD and ECRM, see:

- https://www.iassidd.org/profound-intellectual-and-multiple-disabilities/
- https://ecrmpimd.weebly.com/

The next ECRM will be organized in Leuven in November 2022. We will also have an online session available. We hope to see you all there!