



# Inclusion: Every Child's Right to Belong, Be, and Become

# What is Inclusion for the youth?



## Valuing Diversity

Inclusion means actively valuing and celebrating diversity in all its forms: social, cultural, linguistic, and ability differences.



## Equitable Access

Ensuring all children, regardless of their background or abilities, have equitable access to opportunities and feel recognised and valued.



## Community Recognition

Creating environments where every child's unique identity is acknowledged and celebrated within their community.

# The fundamental trilogy of inclusion:



## Belong

To be part of a community and feel genuinely accepted and connected.



## Be

To be themselves authentically and have their unique identity recognised and celebrated.



## Become

To reach their full potential and develop into who they can be.



# Field Visit Insights of the week

During the field visits, we saw inclusion in action.

**EFFATA: AFTER-SCHOOL GUIDANCE CENTER FOR CHILDREN**

**BASCA THEATER**

**REHABILITATION AND THE USE OF ROBOTS**

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# Interprofessional Approach:

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## Nursing

From a nurse's perspective is important to adopt a holistic approach towards the youth.

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## Social Work

A social worker might focus on the individuality and mental wellness while simultaneously on the social aspect of one's inclusion.

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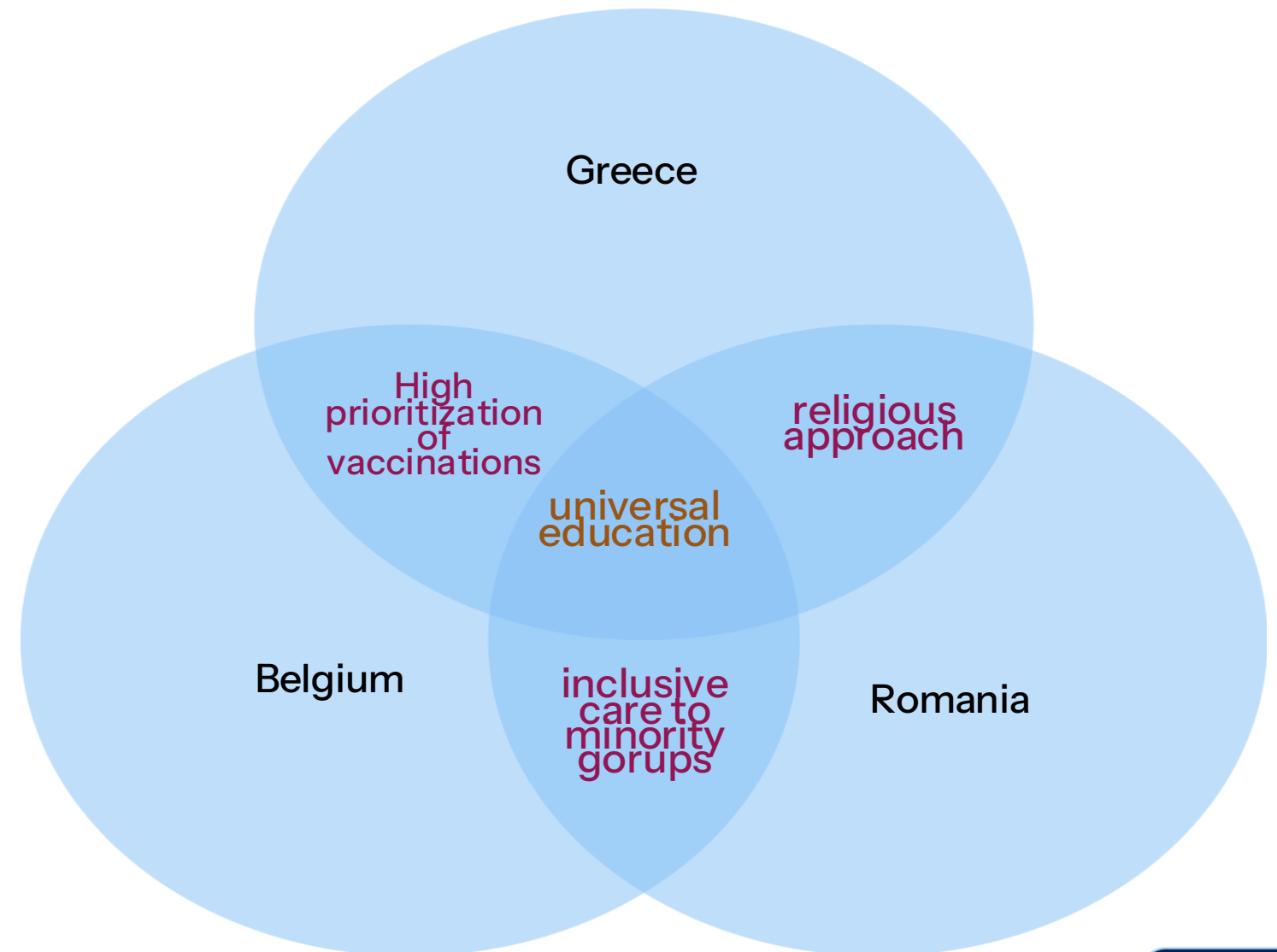
## Art

The artist might try to bring out the imaginative side of a child and protect their spirituality.



## Intercultural Perspectives Similarities:

While the histories of our countries might differ, they share some strong core structural similarities.

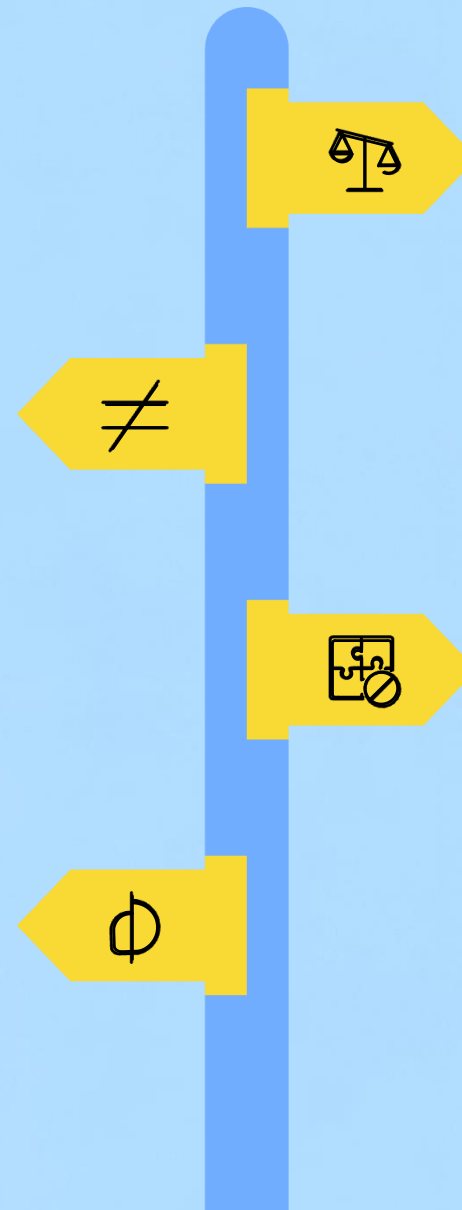


# Intercultural perspectives

## Differences:

In Romania and Greece, mentally ill/disabled children have 100% coverage of their medication. Whereas in Belgium, coverage depends on the type.

In schools around Romania and Belgium you can find student guidance and psychologists, while in Greece this remains an unsolved problem.



In opposition to Greece and Romania, Belgium provides a department for newborns in almost every clinic. The other two usually have pediatric hospitals.

Belgium remains more progressive towards marginalized communities than Greece and Romania, which opt for more conventional approaches.



# Where the professions clash vs where they work together:



## where they clash

While all three professions aim for inclusion, their methods and their ideologies might come into conflict.

>The artist might opt for a more creative type of engagement in order to achieve inclusion, whereas the healthcare workers and social workers might deem their approach as more risky and will focus on protocols and clinical safety.

>Nurses will observe the physical changes and developmental health, unlike social workers who will focus on the environment and being able to hit a socialization milestone by any means possible. The artist will note the inner world and identity of each youth participant individually.

# Where the professions clash vs where they work together:



## where they align

While on different methods, all the aforementioned professions align in one fundamental goal:

The holistic wellbeing of the child and their connection to the environment surrounding them.

To takeaway, professions in our opinion and from our insights, align when they move away from the hierarchical model and gravitate towards a team-based model.

# Multidisciplinary Approach:

Professionals from different fields collaborate together in order to achieve an equal participation in society regarding children. Inclusion is not limited to one environment.

Potential Benefits:

- **Enhanced social integration**  
stronger sense of belonging

- **Inclusive communities and workplaces**  
promotion of diversity and accessibility  
form a fairer and more accepting society.

- **Early identification and intervention**  
collaboration gradually will lead to improved long-term outcomes.



## Actionable Advice/ Take home message!

- 📄 Inclusion is not a matter of convenience but a commitment to equity and justice. It requires collaboration between educators, families, and communities to create environments where every child can thrive.

### Educators

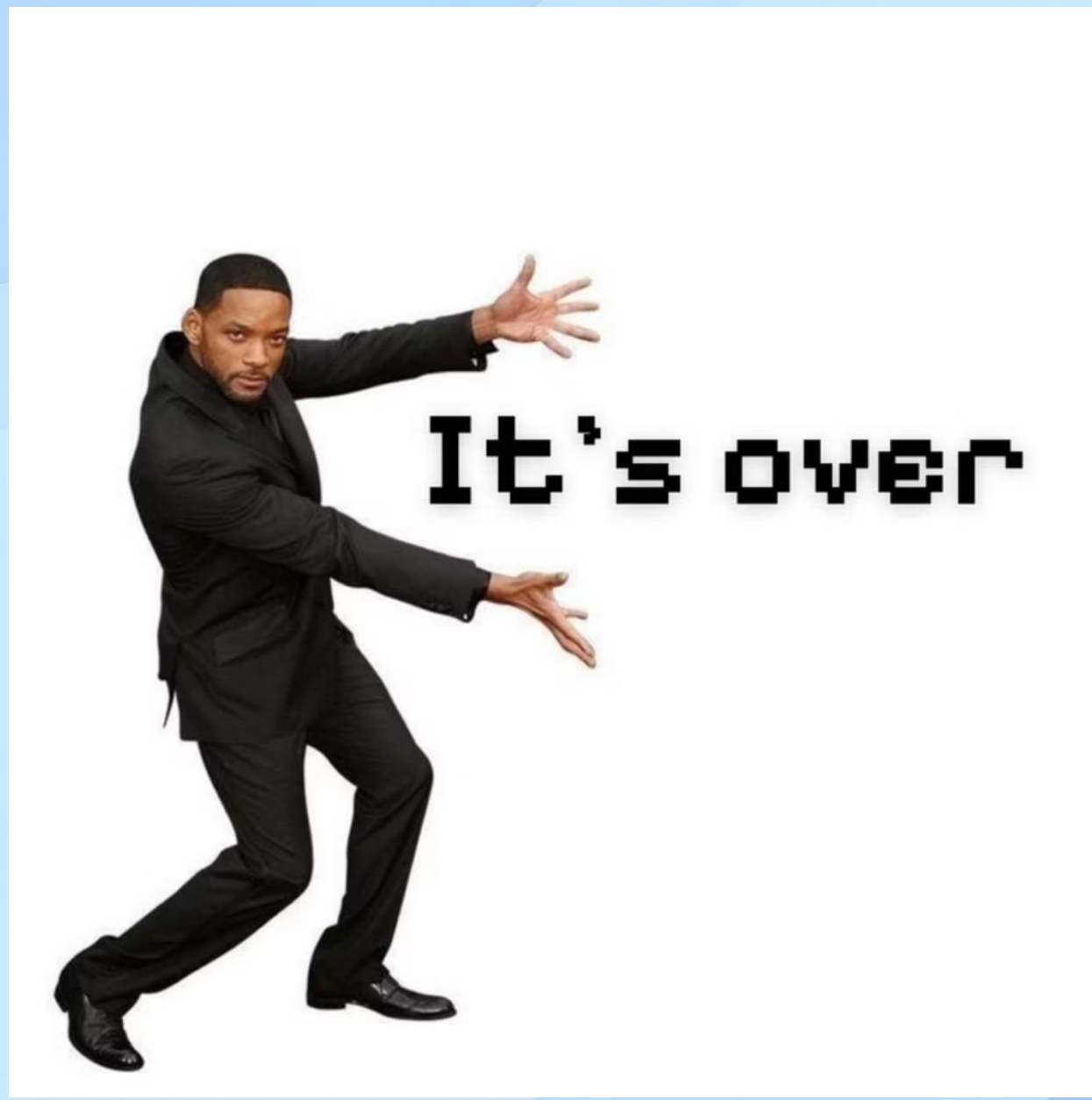
- Adopting diverse methods of teaching
- Thinking out of the box on how to make education enjoyable for children
- Evolve paraprofessionals

### Families

- Shift from explaining to advocating
- Educate your circle
- Educate yourself ,be open-minded

### Communities

- Raise awareness in diversity
- Minimize the language barrier as much as possible(using leaflets, volunteer translators ,
- Be pro-active and take part in your community's actions!



**Thank you all for your  
attention!**

**(if you have any questions, don't.)**