

Reggio Emilia International Forum on Early Childhood

# Learning by Exploration

16-20/11/2026

Reggio Emilia- Italy



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Vinice

## Introduction

Reggio Children manages an extensive network of cultural exchanges both nationally and internationally, which take on concrete form in activities in a few specific areas, all interrelated. Research, in addition to being one of the founding activities of Reggio Children, is the approach that characterizes each area of work.

Reggio Children is promoting for the fall 2025 a professional development initiative on the Reggio Emilia Approach, a study opportunity for deeper investigation into the concepts, contents, and values that are part of the educational project of the Municipal Infant-toddler Centers and Preschools of Reggio Emilia.



## What are the kindergartens in Reggio Emilia?

It is a group of children's schools run by the city's municipality, taking advantage of the impetus provided by motivated families to provide advanced education for their children.

The founder of the Reggio Emilia Experience is the educator Malagozzi.

### Loris Malagozzi ◀



Behind all these insights is a visionary mind that is Loris Malagozzi (1920-1994), the godfather and founder of what is now universally known as the Reggio Emilia style.

Malagozzi says, "We drew and built our theories from different fields, and we thought and contemplated these theories and the events that occurred in our hands personally. But we know perfectly well that the unified educational theory that gathers and summarizes all educational phenomena does not exist (and will not exist). Nevertheless, we do have, in fact, a nucleus or core firmly rooted in our approach to Reggio Emilia, which is directly formed from theories and active pedagogical experiences and is realized in specific images of the child, the teacher, the school, the family and the community. Taken together, these things produce a culture and a society that links with activity, creativity and creativity, both individual and collective growth.

The Reggio Emilia approach to pre-school education was started by the Reggio Emilia Schools after the Second World War and is known all over the world. It is inspired by the theories of Malaguzzi, Brunner, Vygotsky, Dewey, Piaget and Gardner. The municipality of Reggio Emilia houses the Loris Malagozzi International Center, a modern building in which the Reggio Emilia approach is applied, exported and spread throughout the world.





## Childcare and kindergarten centers of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia

The municipal centers for infants and kindergartens in Reggio Emilia have always been known for their novelty in theoretical thinking and their unwavering commitment to research and experiments. These early childhood services are transformed into a reality every day, representing an educational project for pre-school to sixth grade (6-0). It transforms based on the image of the child with great potential, who is the subject of these rights and for this reason children receive special attention with the necessary attention given to monitoring and documenting the learning processes, exchange of views and views and discussion. Other distinguishing features include work organization based on fellowship bond, and relationships based on work organization. The great importance of environments and spaces, the intense participation and collaboration of families with the school administration, the relationship to the culture and civilization of the city, and the most vibrant research experiences in Italy and abroad. And spaces for workshops and educators specialized in workshops to assess creativity in children.

Since October 2003, early childhood services in the municipality of Reggio Emilia are managed by a specific body called “ISTITUZIONE”. It is a body that enjoys independence in educational, educational and administrative issues. It also has its own budget and a body of employees nominated by the head of the body. The objectives of “ISTITUZIONE” include working on the activities necessary to operate and rehabilitate municipal centers for infants and kindergartens in the city of Reggio Emilia, as well as to organize, manage and develop them. The purpose of the “ISTITUZIONE” body is not limited to being merely an instrument of effective management. But it exists to protect and renew the characteristics and values of the educational centers of the city of Reggio Emilia.



Group Photo April 2026

## OBJECTIVES

The programme has the aim of investigating the different professional educational profiles from many different points of view: responsibilities, roles, organization, strategies of work, collegiality, professional development and self-professional development, research and projections of the work.

## THE PROGRAMME OF THE WEEK WILL BE DEVELOPED THROUGH:

- Encountering the town of Reggio Emilia, its community and its social, cultural and educational context
- Learning about the identity and aims of the Infant Toddler Centers and Preschools
- Revisiting the principles of the educational project including essential elements of the daily life of the Infant Toddler Centers and Preschools
- Lectures by pedagogistas, atelieristas and teachers on the principles of the educational project of the Preschools and Infant-toddler Centers Istituzione of the Municipality of Reggio Emilia
- Presentations of research projects realized inside the Preschools and Infant-toddler Centers
- Visiting the Preschools and Infant Toddler Centers as an example of visible learning
- Visiting the Loris Malaguzzi International Centre and the Documentation and Educational Research Centre
- Participating in working groups and discussions groups

## WHO IS THIS FORUM FOR?

- Early Childhood Institutions and KGs teachers
- nursery workers
- Investors in early childhood settings
- Faculty members at universities
- Educational leaders in MoE
- Owners of private and public schools

Day	Date	Time	Programme Details
Sunday	15/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Arrivals and Hotel- Check-in</b>
		2:00-3:00 pm	Check-in procedures
		3:00-5:00 pm	Introduction to the study group
Monday	16/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Centro Internazionale Loris Malaguzzi - Auditorium</b>
		8:30-0:00	Registrarion
		9:00-10:45am	1. Welcoming remarks Christian Fabbi President Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia
			2. Introduction to the programme of the study group Paola Ricco and Emanuela Vercalli, International exchanges – Reggio Children
			3. The educational project of Reggio Emilia, Presented by a pedagoga, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia (Establishment of Schools and Nursery Schools)
		10:45- 11:15	<b>Beak</b>
		13:00	<b>Group picture &amp; Lunch</b>
		14:30-15:45	4. Introduction to the visit to the infant-toddler centres (0-3) Presented by a teacher, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia
		16:00	buses from the International Centre to the infant-toddler centres
		16:30-18:45	5. Visit to the municipal and cooperative infant-toddler centres
18:45	buses from the infant-toddler centres to the International Centre		
Tuesday	17/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Centro Internazionale Loris Malaguzzi - Auditorium</b>
		9:00-10:30	1. The culture of the atelier Isabella Meninno, atelierista, Reggio Children
		10:30-11:00	<b>Break</b>
		11:00-13:00	Participants will form two groups Group A - Auditorium
			2. Presentation of an experience from a preschool Atelieristas and teachers, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia
			Group B - Spaces International Centre Atelier parallel groups (6 groups)
		13:00	<b>Lunch</b>
		14:30-16:30	3. Being received in an infant-toddler centre or in a preschool Daniela Lanzi, pedagoga, Elisabetta Borciani, teachers – Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia
		16:30-17:00	4. Introduction to the School at the International Centre Atelieristas and teachers, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia and the primary school at the International Centre
			17:00-18:30

\*This schedule subject to changes and the final version of programme will be provided 2 weeks before the starting date of the programme

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Wednesday	18/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Centro Internazionale Loris Malaguzzi - Auditorium</b>	
		8:30	1. Buses from the International Centre (bus terminal) to the preschools	
		8:30-12:30	2. Visits to the preschools in groups	
		12:30	Buses from the preschools to the International Centre	
		13:00	Lunch at the International Centre	
		14:00-14:30	3. Introduction to Remida, the Creative Recycling Centre <b>Laura Pedroni, Remida, the Creative Recycling Centre</b>	
		14:30-16:30	4. Presentation of an experience of preschool <b>Elisabetta Borciani, insegnante – Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia</b>  Free visit to Remida (shuttle bus provided)	
Thursday	19/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Centro Internazionale Loris Malaguzzi - Auditorium</b>	
		9:00-11:00	Groups of Tuesday swap: Group B - Auditorium Presentation of an experience from a preschool	
			Atelieristas and teachers, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia	
			Group A - Spaces International Centre	
			Atelier parallel groups (6 groups)	
		11:00-12:00	Coffee and time for individual and self-organised group reflections on the visits to the centres and on the experiences in the atelier	
		12:13:00	Plenary discussion	
		13:00-14:30	<b>Lunch</b>	
		14:30-16:30	Presentation of an experience from the primary school	
		16:30	Buses from the International Centre to the preschools and infant-toddler centres	
17:00-18:30	Tea time in the preschools and infant-toddler centres			
18:30	Buses from the preschools and infant-toddler centres to the town centre and to the International Centre			
Friday	20/11/2026	<b>Location/Place</b>	<b>Centro Internazionale Loris Malaguzzi - Auditorium</b>	
		9:00-13:00	Presentation of an experience from a preschool Atelieristas and teachers, Scuole e Nidi d'Infanzia Istituzione del Comune di Reggio Emilia Conclusions of the study group Prof. Claudia Giudici, President of Reggio Children Daniela Lanzi, pedagoga Elisabetta Borciani, teacher Emanuela Vercalli – International exchanges Reggio Children Paola Riccò, - International exchanges Reggio Children	
			13:00	Lunch
			15:00:00	Encounters in the town and with the town
				Cultural tours

## Fee with Hotel: 3,900 USD

The fee includes the following:

**Program Fee:** Covers participation in the program.

**Information Package:** Includes essential materials and resources.

**Forum Organization and Support:** Assistance provided before and during the Forum.

**Induction Meeting:** A preparatory session conducted the day prior to the program's commencement.

**Hotel Booking Assistance:** Facilitation of reservations with the approved hotel.

**Visa Support:** Issuance of invitation letters for Schengen visa applications, contingent on full payment.

**Accommodation:** 5 nights at the approved hotel in a single room with breakfast. An additional charge of \$30 per night applies for

### Discount Policy

5% for early bird registration before 30/07/2026

5% for group of 3 and more

For payments and bank transfers should be to our bank account details below:

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### Note:

You can register online when visiting this website:

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*With Prof Ali Ashoor Jaafar from Kuwait University who translated many Reggio Emilia books to Arabic Language*

## Fee without Hotel: 3,250 USD

twin-room accommodations.

**Workshops and Lectures:** Delivered at the Loris Malaguzzi International Center.

**Translation Services:** Italian-to-English translation for workshops. Note: Lectures will not be translated into Arabic; participants are encouraged to have a working knowledge of English.

**Field Visits:** Organized visits to nurseries and kindergartens.

**Transportation:** Provided to schools as required.

**Discussion Groups:** Opportunities to engage with international participants in group discussions.

**Meals:** Five meals provided at the main training premises from Monday to Friday.

- [Tickets are not included in the fee.](#)

Registration Early Bird Deadline: 30/07/2026

### Vinice Tour

This is an optional tour which will be arranged on spot at cost.

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### PLEASE NOTE

the programme will start on Monday, 16th Nov. 2026 at 9:00 am and will end on Friday, Nov. 20th at 1:00 pm.

Participants are advised to arrive in Reggio Emilia on Sunday November, 15th 2026.

### WHERE:

The Loris Malaguzzi International Centre will be the main venue for the study group. Bus transfers when required by the programme are organized.

### STAY/HOTEL

Majestix booked a few rooms at the following hotel: **Holiday Inn Express Reggio Emilia, Via Meuccio Ruini 7, 42124 Reggio Emilia, Italy**

### AIRPORTS

The nearest airport to Reggio is Bologna Airport (BLQ). Then by Taxi (45min) to the hotel in Reggio. Other option is Milan Malpensa Airport (MXP) then take a train to Reggio train station (2hrs) then by taxi to hotel (15 min)

### GETTING THERE

Reggio Children c/o Loris Malaguzzi International Centre, Reggio Emilia, Italy

- The Loris Malaguzzi International Centre is a few minutes' drive from the Reggio Emilia exit on the motorway, a large car park is available
- The Centre is a five-minute walk or bicycle ride from the railway station by underground passages
- The city coach station is situated in the car park facing the International Centre (Piazzale Europa)
- For local public transport routes and timetables: [www.setaweb.it](http://www.setaweb.it)



## REGISTRATION FORM

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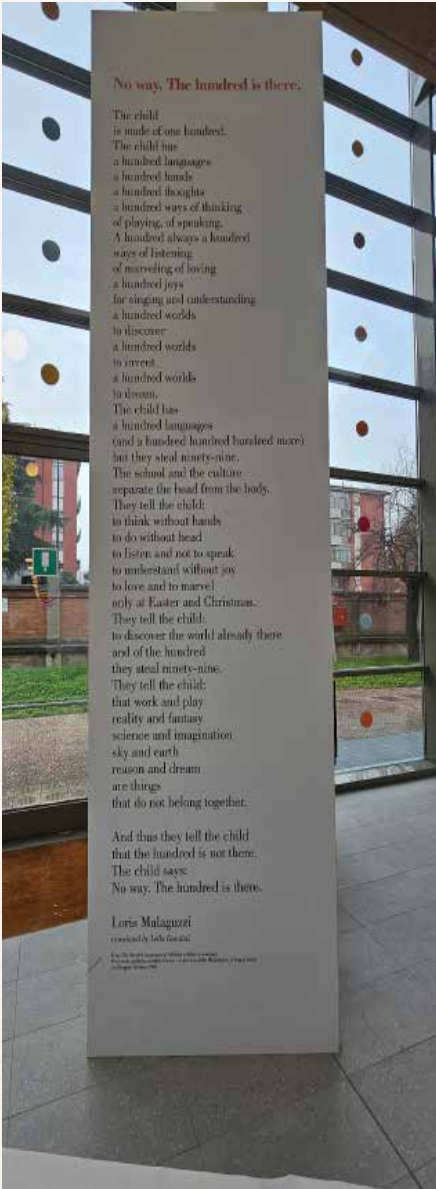
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