

International Mentoring Symposium 2007

"Mentoring for Developing Profession of Preschool Teachers"

~Cultivating Competence to Understand "Learning" in Play~

Towards the turning point of early childhood education in Japan, "Learning in Play" or "Collaborative learning in Play" is focused by many researchers and practitioners. What kind of knowledge do children need to acquire in preschool period? What kind of environment should we organize to promote the learning in play? Are there any cultural differences on idea of learning or knowledge? Through communication without borders in this symposium, we hope to exchange the idea and practice on learning in play in preschools and to explore cultivation of competence of preschool teachers to understand and promote it.

Date&Time : Saturday, December 1, 2007

13:00 ~ 18:00

**Venue : Conference room,
National Center of Sciences,
2-1-2, Hitotsubashi, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo**

-Program -

13:00 Opening
13:30 Key Note Lecture
15:30 Panel Discussion
18:00 Closing

Main Key Note Speaker

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