

SICI – The Newsletter 08/25

We support the improvement of education

through improving inspection processes

From the President

Dear colleagues,

It's been an energising period of connection and collaboration across our network. From workshops in Kosovo and Georgia to preparations for future events, our community continues to demonstrate the power of professional dialogue and shared purpose.

Thank you for the commitment and openness you bring to SICI. I look forward to seeing many of you at upcoming events as we continue to build insight, trust, and improvement together.

Warm regards,
Janie McManus
President, SICI



Upcoming Events



Bavaria Workshop – Register Now

Registration is open for the SICI Workshop in Bavaria: *“The essential role of inspection in a dynamic educational environment.”* Dates: 24–26 September 2025.

Registration date (11 July) has been extended. SICI will reimburse up to €160/night for one inspector per member organisation.

Flyer : <https://www.sici-inspectorates.org/what-we-do/workshops/sici-workshop-germany-bavaria/>

Member Highlights

Strengthening Professional Dialogue - Kosovo Workshop

The Education Inspectorate of the Republic of Kosovo, hosted a highly successful workshop in Prishtina from 28–30 April 2025. The event brought together 40 participants from across 17 members to explore “inspection in a dynamic educational environment.” The event brought together colleagues to explore the role of inspection in a changing educational landscape. Rich professional dialogue focused on digitalisation, performance assessment, and inspector development. The workshop featured contributions from Flanders, England, the Netherlands, and Kosovo, and demonstrated SICI’s ongoing commitment to shared learning, collaboration, and system improvement. We thank the Kosovo team for their outstanding organisation and hospitality, and all members who contributed their insights to support mutual learning across the network.



Recent Events



SICI at the European Education Area Dialogue

On 2nd June, SICI was one of 29 stakeholders who were invited to participate in the Implementation Dialogue on the European Education Area with Roxana Mînzatu, Executive Vice-President for Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness.

Participants representing key actors for the implementation of the European Education Area: EU Member States, social partners, stakeholder associations and civil society organisations, brought their answers to the following two questions to the roundtable discussion:

- Does the European Education Area deliver at your level? What has it changed for you?
- What are the barriers to implement the European Education Area? Who should act on these barriers, and how?

This meeting will be followed by the European Education and Skills Summit on 13 November 2025 in Brussels to bring together key actors in the field of education and training across Europe and beyond.

Find more information on EEA here:

[https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/8556fc33-48a3-4a96-94e8-8ecacef1ea18_en?filename=250201_Simplification Communication_en.pdf](https://commission.europa.eu/document/download/8556fc33-48a3-4a96-94e8-8ecacef1ea18_en?filename=250201_Simplification_Communication_en.pdf)

Projects and more ...

STESSIE Project – Promoting Social Inclusion in Education

The Erasmus+ KA2 cooperation project STESSIE (Spreading and Strengthening the Toolbox for Evaluating and Stimulating Social Inclusion in Education) began in early 2023 and runs for three years. Now entering its final phase, all seven planned training activities have been successfully delivered.

In March, colleagues from the Flemish Inspectorates hosted a training event in Flanders, followed by a session in Tartu this June, organised by the Estonian Ministry of Education and Research. Both events included expert input, school visits, and piloting of the social inclusion toolbox.

After the summer, the STESSIE website with the full framework and application will be launched. A special multiplier event will take place during the next SICI General Assembly to share findings and tools with all interested members.

Gentle Reminder

Respecting Member-Shared Materials

A reminder to all members: information shared in our password-protected Members' Area is provided by members *for* members.

Please do **not** share any documents or content externally unless you have obtained **explicit permission from the member who uploaded or authored the material**.

Thank you for supporting a safe and respectful knowledge-sharing environment.

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