

CARN^{D.A.CH.} VIII at the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano in Brixen-Bressanone

The 8th German-language CARN^{D.A.CH.} conference was held at the Faculty for Educational at the Campus in Brixen-Bressanone of the Free University Bozen-Bolzano from the 17th to the 18th of January, 2020. The conference focussed on “Action research, Lesson & Learning Study at all levels of education from Elementary to Tertiary: the Challenge of Multilingualism”.

CARN^{D.A.CH.} is the German-language network of the international Collaborative Action Research Network (<https://www.carn.org.uk/?from=carnnew/>) and CARN^{D.A.CH.}-Conferences take place every year in a German-speaking country or region.

50 participants from universities, pedagogical universities and educational authorities from South Tyrol, Austria and Germany came to the Conference. As in previous years there were participants from the local region as well as members of the international CARN Network. A member of the co-ordinating group of the **Action Research Network of the Americas**, Joe Shosh, travelled to Brixen to attend and present at the Conference.

Following words of welcome by the dean Professor Paul Videsott and Prof.em. Dr. Hans Drumbl, the first CARN^{D.A.CH.} conference proceedings, a result of the 2019 conference "Sustainable Education", were presented.

Ulrike Stadler-Altmann (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano) and Vladimir Wakounig (University of Klagenfurt) gave the opening talks on the topics "Learning to research and learning to research - approaches and suggestions from an action research project in the context of teacher education" and on "Immersive bilingual teaching - lifeline for minority languages? On the second day, Renata Zanin (Free University of Bozen-Bolzano) gave a talk on "Observing and evaluating linguistic input in kindergarten. An action research".

Overall there were 27 presentations held by colleagues from South Tyrol, Austria, Germany and the U.S. The conference programme can be found at https://carndachsuedtirol.events.unibz.it/?page_id=130).

Professor Franz Rauch closed the conference with information on the next international CARN conference in Dundee in October and the Journal Educational Action Research and thanked the conference organisation team of the Free University of Bozen-Bolzano. Conference proceedings will also be published for this conference. The next CARN^{D.A.CH.} meeting will be held in Klagenfurt from the 22nd to 23rd of January, 2021.

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