

NW 13: Special Call for Long Papers

Special Call for Long Papers for the Philosophy of Education Network at the 2026 ECER Conference in Tampere, Finland (August 2026)

The convenors of Network 13 *Philosophy of Education* are pleased to announce a special call for long papers (4,000–6,000 words) for the 2026 European Conference on Educational Research (ECER), to be held in Tampere, Finland. This year accepted long papers will be considered for publication in the Nordic journal *SPEKI, Nordic Philosophy of Education Review*, with Marie Hållander and Elisabet Langmann as guest editors.

Theme:

We invite long paper submissions that engage philosophically with the theme of ECER 2026 conference on Knowing and Acting: The changing conditions and potentials of education research. Within the broader scope of the conference, we especially welcome papers that critically explore how educational practices and discourses construct temporal orientations - such as development, urgency, progress, or nostalgia - and how these temporal framings shape ethical and educational responsibilities toward future generations, planetary sustainability, and/or democratic life.

Long papers engaging with the theme of the conference will be eligible to be considered for publication in *SPEKI, Nordic Philosophy of Education Review*. Full information about the conference and the theme can be found here: <https://eera-ecer.de/conferences/ecer-2026-tampere>

SPEKI, Nordic Philosophy of Education Review

Speki, old Norse for wisdom, is a Nordic peer-reviewed, electronic, open access and non-profit journal that publishes original contributions within the field of philosophy of education. The journal focuses on the philosophical, theoretical, normative and conceptual problems and issues in educational research, policy and practice. <https://journals.uio.no/NorEduPhil/index>

Submission and Review Process:

- Long paper proposals should be submitted via the regular ECER conference management system, which will be open December 1st 2025, and ends January 31st 2026.
- All proposals will undergo the standard review process by the Network 13 convenor group.
- Accepted long papers will be presented in person at ECER 2026 in Tampere, each with a dedicated 45-minute slot.
- Following the conference, a selection of long papers will be eligible to be reviewed for publication in a special issue of *SPEKI*.
- The journal's peer review process will take place during the fall of 2026.
- We expect the special issue to be published spring 2027.

Please indicate if you are interested in the issue in SPEKI in the 'intent of Publication' in the ECER 2026 Conftool system. We encourage prospective authors to consult the 'Instructions for Authors' section on the SPEKI website:

<https://journals.uio.no/NorEduPhil/about/submissions>

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We look forward to your submissions!