

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



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Estel Malgosa holds a PhD in Anthropology and is a Juan de la Cierva postdoctoral researcher at the Faculty of Education, University of Girona (2026–2028). She works at the intersection of feminist studies, childhood studies and sexuality education. Her current research combines ethnography, participatory methodologies and new feminist materialist approaches to explore the entanglements through which sexuality, gender, consent and education are constituted. She is currently conducting an ethnographic study of consent practices in early childhood and is involved in several international projects on sexual and gender diversity and queer childhoods.

She completed her doctoral research on sexuality and childhood in public primary schools in the Barcelona metropolitan area within the framework of the SexAFIN-Catalonia project at the AFIN Research Group, Autonomous University of Barcelona. Between 2017 and 2025, she co-coordinated the SexAFIN-Catalonia participatory action research project with Bruna Álvarez, engaging more than 5,000 children through participatory methodologies.

She has published in leading international journals in the fields of sexuality, gender and childhood, including *Sexualities*, *Sex Education*, *Gender and Education*, *Children & Society* and *Reproductive Health*. She was also guest editor of the special issue entitled *Sexuality Through Children's Eyes: Experiences, Perceptions and Meanings* in *Children & Society*, which brings together contributions from both the Global North and the Global South.

She has contributed to knowledge exchange and social impact activities, including training programmes for families and educators. She also directed the documentary *Rethinking Sexuality Education*, broadcast on Catalan Public Television in November 2023, and led the national project *Rethinking Sexuality Education from a Child-Centred Gender Perspective* (2022).