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School autonomy and school values: religion, pedagogical concepts and philosophical

approaches

## **EFFE Summary**

To show how autonomy and pedagogical choice can work in school and what it brings, a concrete example, based on a study of 3 inclusive schools, is given.

For inclusive school to function properly, autonomy is needed at all levels : classs level, school level, structural level, space and time organisation.

Results are academic, emotional, social, societal and very encouraging.

At the same time, by signing the UN Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities, EU states commit themselves to have their schools become inclusive. This can be a powerful lever for implementing school autonomy and free pedagogical choice.

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