A VIEW FROM SWEDEN

“Lifelong effects of the infant-parent attachment?”

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• European umbrella organisation
• Founded in 1983
• 19 member organisations
• UN, Social Platform, European Womens Lobby
About me

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Haro

- Swedish organization
- Founded 1982
- 700 members
- Empowering parents with the child in focus
“The lack of emotional capital around the world should be a high priority if we want human beings to develop and become more peaceful and caring than today”
“From birth to age 18 months, connections in the brain are created at a rate of one million in a second.”
“Parenthood is transferred from generation to generation. We need to be very protective of this silently transferred but highly important knowledge.”
“A child’s communication grows through the adults they are attached to and the interaction between them”
Finland - Sweden

Finland:
• State
• 2 % private
• 17 868 USD
• 50 % 3 year olds at home
• Day care
• Family
• Compulsory education
• Top results - Pisa

Sweden:
• Municipality
• 15% private
• 23 219 USD
• 7 % 3 year olds at home
• Pre school
• Individuals
• Compulsory school attendance
• Average results - Pisa
The family is the basic unit of society
United Nations

Society is like a family in a macro system
“There is nothing wrong with seeking high educational standards and accountability, but there is surely something very wrong indeed if this comes at the cost of natural development.”

Wendy Ellyatt, founding director of Save Childhood Movement Great Britain