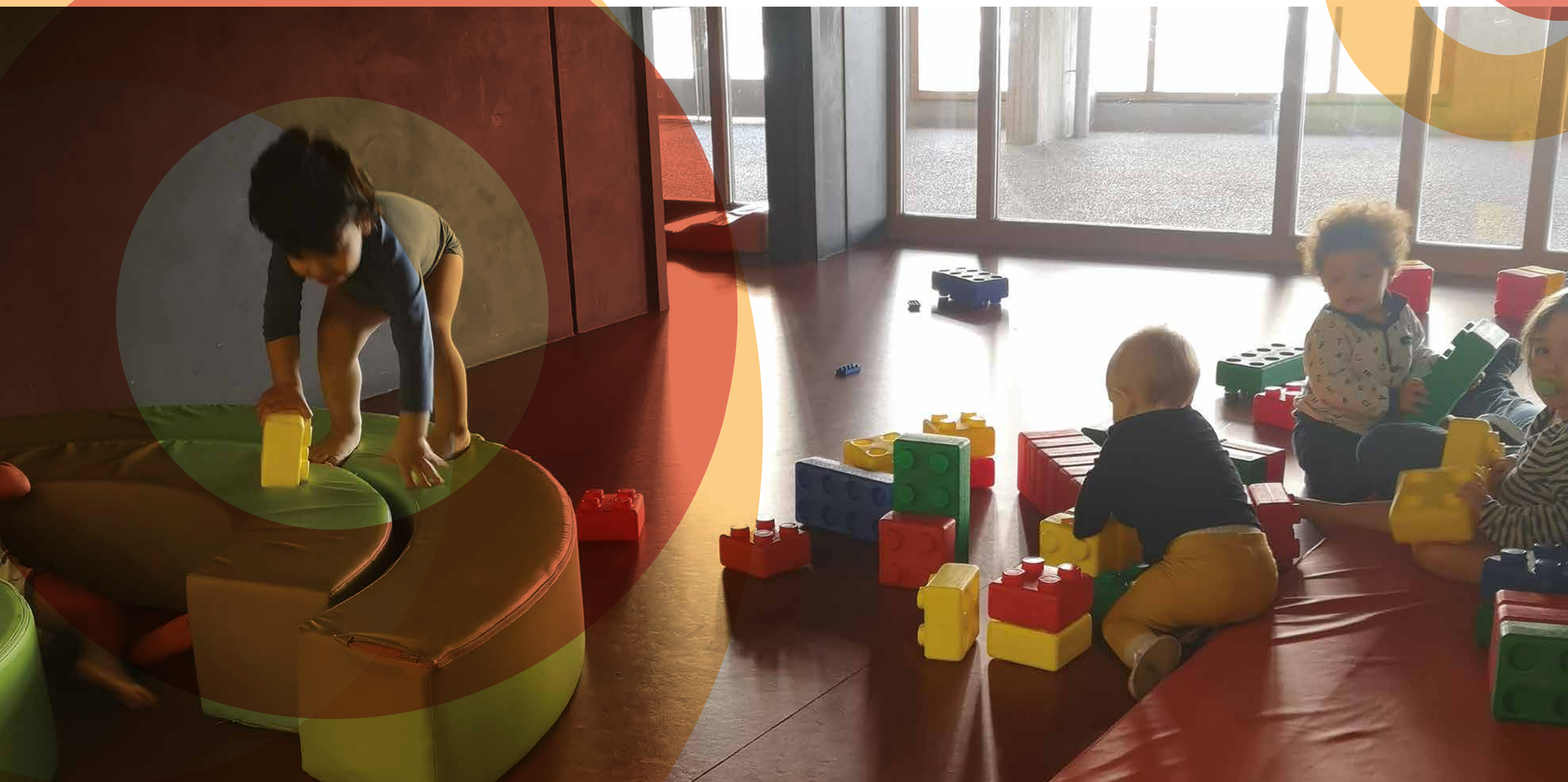


# Cross-border day-care centre Strasbourg-Kehl

*“Bringing up young children from two different cultures together and enabling them to learn a second language is what cross-border cooperation is all about.”*



## DESCRIPTION

Every day, 60 young children aged between 10-weeks-old and 3-years-old are dropped off from both sides of the Rhine to a very special cross-border day-care centre.

Here, children from Strasbourg, France and Kehl, Germany – which are less than 30 minutes apart – are brought up together in a multicultural environment in which two languages are spoken.

The seven French and seven German staff all speak their mother tongue, and the children learn about each other's cultures.

There can be challenges, such as differing attitudes about the age at which mothers return to work. In France, it's considered normal for them to leave 3-month-old babies in daycare, while in Germany this is more common after one year. Therefore, German educators were shocked to see young French parents leaving their babies all day long. But such obstacles represent a lesson for the children: that overcoming cultural difference through kindness and tolerance is the key to enriching, healthy interactions.

## GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

Strasbourg (France) and Kehl (Germany).

## PROGRAMME

Interreg Upper Rhine (Rhin Supérieur / Oberrhein).

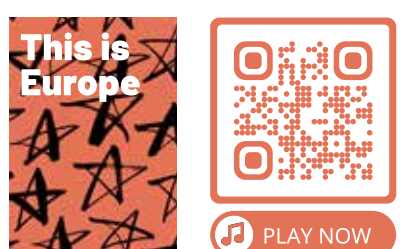
## TOTAL BUDGET

€ 3,360,000.00

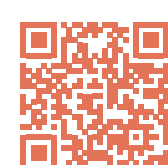
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