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Democratic Dialogue at School

An Online Game-Based Training Tool on Democratic Dialogue for Teachers

ABOUT THE PROJECT

The project **DD@S – Democratic Dialogue at School**, emphasizes on the importance of dialogue in tackling intolerance and discrimination at school to stimulate inclusive education all over Europe. It aims to enhance secondary school teachers' professional development to acquire effective dialogue skills to handle difficult situations that originate in the context of sociocultural diversity in schools.

A gamification-based online training in democratic dialogue, a toolkit with tools and good practices, including content managed system and a guide to help teacher teams develop their own specific training cases, teacher modules, and a guide for implementation and policy recommendations will be developed to address the project objectives.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES

The specific objectives of the DD@S project are to:

- Build awareness concerning controversial topics within the school context and the effects this might have on the school climate.
- Support school teachers in reflective thinking, communication skills, and dialogue on controversial themes, such as religious or ethnic intolerance.
- Help teachers feel confident in dealing with controversy and intolerance at school.



WHAT'S NEW IN THE PROJECT?

The DD@S project has officially launched its **online survey**! The aim of this survey is to identify real-life controversial situations in schools and provide tools and methods to address the specific needs that emerge.

Are you a secondary school teacher?

We would like your opinion.

Click on your country to complete the survey:

BELGIUM
CYPRUS
GREECE
ITALY

TRANSNATIONAL PROJECT MEETINGS

Kick-off Meeting

The DD@S project officially kicked off its activities online on January 28th, 2022. Representatives from the eight partner organizations in four European countries: Belgium, Italy, Cyprus, and Greece, met online to discuss their initial steps and plan their work.

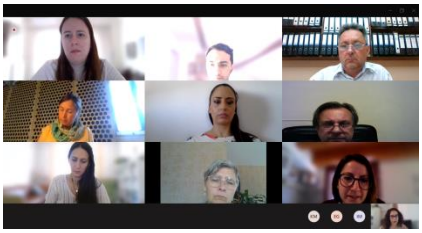
2nd Meeting

On March 29th, 2022, the DD@S project consortium held their 2nd online meeting to discuss the progress of the project's first result, the DD@S Toolkit.

3rd Meeting

On May 13th, 2022, the consortium had their third meeting for the DD@S project during which ideas regarding the conduct of focus groups in Belgium, Cyprus, Greece, and Italy were gather.







NEXT STEPS!

The project consortium will analyze the data collected from the surveys and focus groups in the following months and develop a theoretical framework for the DD@S Toolkit, including good practices for teachers and school teams. Once the toolkit is finalized, each partner country will collaborate with teachers to organize and deliver pilot trials to evaluate the materials. Alongside the pilot implementations, partners will begin the development of the content for the Teachers' Modules.

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