ReLearn Plastics



Innovative learning methodologies in schools for strenghtening the awareness and active citizenship about plastics consumption.

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ABOUT PROJECT

Introduction of the project

Plastic is an important material in our economy, and it is impossible to imagine a modern lifestyle without it. At the same time, however, it can have serious environmental and health drawbacks.

To use resources more sustainably for European businesses and consumers, Action on Plastics has been identified as a priority in the Circular Economy Action Plan. The first European Strategy for Plastics in a Circular Economy was adopted in January 2018 to transform how plastic products are designed, used, produced, and recycled in the EU. The European Commission is promoting an EU-wide pledge campaign for the uptake of recycled plastics and calls on stakeholders to submit ambitious voluntary commitments to boost the uptake of recycled plastics. Furthermore, the European Commission is working to support and reinforce the development of key competencies and basic skills for all, from an early age and throughout life. These key competencies are necessary for personal fulfillment, a healthy and sustainable lifestyle, employability, active citizenship, and social inclusion.

ReLearn plastics is an EU Erasmus+ project awarded by the Slovenian National Agency CMEPIUS through which 8 European and non-European partner organizations work together to enhance students' key competences through art, creativity, and new learning methodologies in order to strengthen awareness and active participation in plastic consumption.

1st TPM - On-line

The project has started, and all participants gathered online in December 2020 for a kick-off meeting. Enthusiasm for the project and a high level of motivation were also clearly noticeable among all partners, who were eager to start working on this innovative project.

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Project Objectives

The General Objective of the RELEARN PLASTICS project is: To improve students' key competencies through art, creativity, and new learning methodologies to strengthen awareness and active citizenship on plastic consumption.

The specific objectives are:

- 1: To support opportunities for students to acquire and develop key competencies, including basic skills, through art-based learning and service learning methodology.
- 2: To strengthen the profile of teaching professionals by developing innovative methodologies to increase students' awareness and action on plastics.
- 3: To develop engaged and participatory learners who struggle with plastics challenges.

Results

Intellectual Products

In total, there will be five intellectual outputs.

- IO1: Guide and learning material on the environmental hazards of plastics.
- IO2 Learning Guide: "Plastic Awareness through Art methodologies."
- 103 Service Learning Methodology: "Active Citizenship for Plastic Reduction."
- IO4 Practical guidance and tools. Implementation "Plastic Awareness" in the classroom.
- IO5 Guide: Good practices of implementing plastic challenges through Service-Learning for Active Citizenship.

Learning, training, and teaching activities

The project will carry out the following learning, training, and teaching activities (LTTA):

- LLTA1 Short-term joint training days for teachers in Spain: Training in Plastic Challenges, Methodologies through Art and Service-Learning Methodology.
- LLTA2 C2 Short-term student group exchanges for students in Slovenia: Exchange events with Students Aware and Active in Plastics Challenges.

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IMPACT

The implementation of ReLearn Plastics is expected to contribute to:

- To improve key competencies in the student body.

- -Strengthen school teachers' competencies around plastic challenges, art, and innovative educational methodologies.
- -Facilitate new opportunities for students based on innovative and high-quality learning and international experience.

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