

THE ERASMUS+ PROJECT “DEBATE”

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University students / University Professors / Youth associations



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This project proposes **DEBATE** as a working method which intendeds to help young university students to better understand the content of the topic being worked on and in order to developed critical thinking, empathy and public speaking skills.

The work method that the consortium proposes will allow higher education students to develop a series of skills and attitudes including:

- effective participation in a democratic society;
- argumentative skills, research and analysis of significant contemporary problems;
- critical thinking skills, or
- issue mature judgments, even on controversial valuation issues.

>>> CONSORTIUM

The consortium is constructed by the Applicant Organization: ESIC UNIVERSIDAD (Spain), and by:

- INNETICA (Spain),
- KEPDER (Turkey),
- Peloponnese University (Greece),
- ISAG (Portugal),
- the Dunarea de Jos de Galati University (Romania).

OBJECTIVES

The main objectives of the project are:

- To facilitate through the debate methodology a great motivation to learn, promote the ability to exercise critical judgment and develop the ability to know how to learn.
- To improve the quality and efficiency of education and training.
- To promote social cohesion and active citizenship.
- To enhance creativity and innovation, including entrepreneurship.

INTERNATIONAL MEETINGS

Since the beginning of the project the consortium has already met 2 times

1) Between the 7th and the 8th of February 2023, the partners held their first transnational meeting at the ESIC University in Pozuelo de Alarcón (Madrid).



In here, the partners discussed the general aspects of project management, as well as the presentation of guidelines on social inclusion and environmentalism that the consortium had to comply with when executing the work.

They also worked on developing the specific objectives, the work methodology and the strategy to follow to implement the project. On the second day of the meetings, work was done specifically on the work package consisting of the preparation of teaching materials. Specifically, it is an online manual aimed at teachers to implement the debate methodology in their classes.

2) Between the 10th and the 14th of July 2023 the consortium met for a very constructive Learning Activity in Porto, Portugal. The LTTA was held in the ISAG - European Business School facilities.

In The Learning Activity the consortium discussed on how to positively implement the handbook within the university students with the start of the next school year of 2023/2024.

Furthermore, thanks to a series of training and sharing activities, the partners were able to measure first-hand experiences and knowledge related to the debate methodology.

In addition, a series of important deadlines have been decided in order to continue with the constructive development of the project.

Last but not least, the consortium worked over a collaborative online platform dedicated for university professors and students.

