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VIRTUALLYEDU

**VIRTUAL EXCHANGES
AND EDUCATION ON
DIGITAL SKILLS**

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THE GOAL:
TO CONNECT YOUTH FROM EUROPEAN UNION
AND EASTERN NEIGHBOURHOOD TO ENHANCE
CULTURAL AWARENESS, DIGITAL SKILLS, LEVEL
OF CYBERSECURITY AND ELIMINATE
CYBERBULLYING

SPECIFIC OBJECTIVES:

- BUILD DIGITAL SKILLS AND VIRTUAL COLLABORATION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION GROWTH THROUGH A JOINT DIGITAL SKILLS ECOSYSTEM FOR HEIS, YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS, TRAINERS, STAFF, AND STUDENTS
- UPSKILL HEIS' STAFF AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS' TRAINERS IN DIGITAL SKILLS AND ONLINE SAFETY TAILORED TO EACH LEARNING ENVIRONMENT
- TO BRING TOGETHER HEI STAFF AND STUDENTS FROM EU AND EASTERN NEIGHBORHOOD COUNTRIES TO ACHIEVE A GREATER IMPACT ON HEI'S DIGITAL UPSKILLING AND ELIMINATION OF CYBERBULLYING



VIRTUALLYEDU WILL RESULT IN:

- DEVELOPMENT OF THE VIRTUAL LEARNING AND ONLINE COLLABORATION CURRICULUM AND TRAIN THE FACILITATORS SCHEME
- IMPLEMENTATION OF VIRTUAL EXCHANGES

PROMOTING:

- DIGITALIZATION IN EDUCATION
- ENHANCED CYBERSECURITY AND DIGITAL AWARENESS
- BRIDGING THE DIGITAL SKILLS GAP FOR YOUNG LEARNERS AND INCREASING EQUALITY AND RESILIENCE AMONG PEERS
- VIRTUAL EXCHANGE PRACTICES IN THE EUROPEAN-SOUTHERN NEIGHBORHOOD COLLABORATION AMONG HEIS AND YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS
- TOLERANCE AND INTERCULTURAL SENSITIVITY

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IN THE VERGE OF STARTING VIRTUAL EXCHANGES

WE'RE THRILLED TO ANNOUNCE THE UPCOMING LAUNCH OF OUR VIRTUAL EXCHANGES, A UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS TO ENGAGE IN CROSS-CULTURAL LEARNING AND ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP COURSES. THESE EXCHANGES ARE DESIGNED TO CONNECT YOUNG PEOPLE FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS, FOSTERING COLLABORATION AND MUTUAL UNDERSTANDING.

WHAT ARE VIRTUAL EXCHANGES?

VIRTUAL EXCHANGES ARE ONLINE PROGRAMS THAT BRING TOGETHER PARTICIPANTS FROM DIFFERENT COUNTRIES TO ENGAGE IN MEANINGFUL DISCUSSIONS, COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS, AND CULTURAL ACTIVITIES. THROUGH THESE EXCHANGES, STUDENTS WILL:

- PARTICIPATE IN ENGAGING COURSES ON ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP.
- EXPERIENCE CULTURAL ACTIVITIES THAT HIGHLIGHT THE TRADITIONS AND PERSPECTIVES OF PEERS FROM AROUND THE WORLD.
- DEVELOP DIGITAL SKILLS AND COMPETE IN EXCITING HACKATHONS FOCUSED ON RELEVANT ISSUES.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?

- RECRUITMENT AND ENROLLMENT: WE ARE CURRENTLY RECRUITING AND ENROLLING PARTICIPANTS FOR OUR FIRST ROUND OF EXCHANGES. WE AIM TO INCLUDE STUDENTS FROM VARIOUS BACKGROUNDS, ESPECIALLY THOSE FROM VULNERABLE GROUPS WHO HAVEN'T HAD SIMILAR OPPORTUNITIES BEFORE.
 - ORIENTATION SESSIONS: SOON, WE WILL BEGIN OUR VIRTUAL ORIENTATION SESSIONS, WHERE PARTICIPANTS WILL BE INTRODUCED TO THE PROGRAM, THE ONLINE PLATFORM, AND THE EXCITING ACTIVITIES PLANNED. THESE SESSIONS WILL SET THE STAGE FOR AN ENRICHING AND COLLABORATIVE LEARNING EXPERIENCE.
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**THE CONSORTIUM CONSISTS OF
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**LET'S BUILD BRIDGES AND SHAPE A
BRIGHTER FUTURE TOGETHER !**
