



VIRTUALLYEDU: Virtual exchanges and education on Digital Skills

The impact of the VIRTUALLYEDU project on academic affairs

The VIRTUALLYEDU project is an Erasmus+ initiative boosting digital skills and virtual exchanges for students, including those at Yerevan Komitas State conservatory, fostering cross-cultural collaboration via online platforms Zoom, focusing on digital maturity, cybersecurity, and innovative EdTech to prepare students for a digital future.

Aram Hovhannisyan: vice rector for academic affairs of YKSC "I would like to especially emphasize that the participation in the VIRTUALLYEDU project allowed the conservatory to improve activities in the field of virtual academic affairs".

Virtual education uses digital tools for remote teaching, while academic affairs manages university programs, curriculum and faculty; together they involve adapting policies for online delivery, ensuring student support in digital spaces, leveraging technology for accessibility and personalized learning and addressing challenges like digital divides, engagement, and involving virtual conduct creating a modern, flexible, but complex educational landscape.

The VirtuallyEdu project benefits academic affairs by boosting digital literacy and cybersecurity skills, fostering intercultural competence through virtual exchanges with diverse peers, introducing innovative digital teaching methods, enhancing employability, and building a global network for students and staff, all while developing crucial skills for the modern digital work -force. It addresses gaps in digital skills, offers flexible learning, and creates sustainable, open-access educational resources for long-term use.

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