

# Intercultural Learning at School Individual Pupil Mobility as a tool for internationalisation

Venue: Lisbon, Portugal

Dates: 11-14 November 2022
- Arrivals: 11 November

- Departures: 14 November evening/15 November (accommodation on 14 not included in

the participation fee)

**Duration:** 3 days **Language:** English

Participation Fee: 750€ Number of participants: 20

The European Education Area seeks to foster cooperation between EU member states to further enrich the quality and inclusiveness of national education and training systems. Educational institutions need to improve basic and transversal skills, facilitate mobility for learners and educators and international cooperation between education institutions, foster language learning or support the discovery and management of cultural diversity.



The diversity of the world is represented within our classrooms, and in society at large. It is not sufficient anymore to casually mention interculturality during classes, but to practically act upon it via different activities both inside and outside the classroom. Whether alone or with help of relevant non-profit organisations, there is a wealth of activities that can be targeted at both educational staff and pupils to

broaden their horizons, through experiential learning. There are so many opportunities to foster school internationalisation: sending pupils and teachers abroad, but also valuing the diversity present in the school, organising specific activities, and hosting exchange pupils in the school to provide international exposure to the whole school population.



The aim of this training is to help teachers and educational staff in their global journey of school internationalisation. First through intercultural learning at school and thanks to the complementary ICL @ School toolbox, they will be able to facilitate diverse activities which support the development of intercultural competence. Then, participants will discover the mobility opportunities offered by Erasmus +, for pupils and teachers, and more specifically how Individual Pupil Mobility can foster internationalisation of the whole school. More specifically, participants will look at how to organise quality Individual Pupil Mobility in cooperation with pupil exchange organisations, and recognising the outcomes of the learning period abroad.

# **Learning outcomes:**

- Enhanced own intercultural competence
- Learn to embed intercultural competence at school through practical tools, linking it to specific subject curricula and cross-curricular activities
- Discover the Erasmus + mobility opportunities for pupils and teachers
- Conceive an internationalisation strategy for your school with activities at home and abroad
- Learn more about Individual Pupil Mobility and the recognition of its learning outcomes
- Learn about good practices from different European countries

# **Teaching methods:**

The training course will include both theoretical and practical elements to provide a well-rounded experience for the participants. The theoretical part will comprise presentations that will lean on relevant academic research in the field as well as pertinent case studies. The practical part will prevail and will cover various kinds of activities, such as team building, discussions, quizzes, games, working in small groups or daily reflections/evaluations. Non-formal education will be the main methodological instrument to guide the different sessions, which will, among other things, include experiential learning and group activities. Last but not least, emphasis will be placed on sharing best practices with other participants.

Whenever relevant, participants will be given checklists, activity toolboxes or other tools to continue their learning experience and be able to practically implement their course findings at their school.



# Aimed at:

- Teachers from secondary schools
- School counsellors/Career advisors
- Any educational staff working within intercultural learning and/or learning mobility

# **Participation fee:**

#### Includes:

- Course fee
- Course material
- Accommodation in a hotel for 3 nights
- Meals full board (3 meals, 2 coffee breaks)
- Local transport
- Social programme
- Certificate of participation and Europass Mobility

#### Does not include:

- International travel
- Local transfer to/from the venue from/to the airport
- Accommodation on 14 November (but course organisers can provide it)
- Participants' insurance

# **Agenda**

#### Day 1 - Introduction to intercultural learning

- Welcome and Ice Breaking activities
- My intercultural self
- Interactive intercultural activities
- Intercultural learning in school education: the toolbox for Intercultural Learning at School
- Planning intercultural activities for your classroom
- End-of-day reflection



## Day 2 - Internationalisation at home and abroad

- School internationalisation strategy and its activities (at home/abroad)
- Introducing Erasmus+ mobility opportunities for schools
- Focus on Individual Pupil Mobility
- Planning the internationalisation strategy of the school: from the Intercultural Learning at School Toolbox to pupil and teacher mobility
- End-of-day reflection

## Day 3 - Individual Pupil Mobility as a tool for internationalisation

- Managing Individual Pupil mobility and recognition of its learning outcomes
- Leveraging partnership between school and pupil mobility organisation for successful Individual Pupil Mobility
- Final evaluation of the training course

# **About the hosting organisation:**

The <u>European Federation of Intercultural Learning</u> (EFIL) is the European umbrella of the 25 <u>AFS organisations</u> in Europe, which promote the development of intercultural competence through individual pupil mobility and volunteerism since the 1950s. Today, **AFS is the second biggest secondary school exchange programme provider globally** with a network of 500.000+ alumni. In 2019, AFS organisations around the world sent and hosted almost 12.000 young people in 113 countries, and formed 17.000+ school alliances.

EFIL pursues the AFS mission within the European context, and is a key partner of the European Union and the Council of Europe on matters related to intercultural learning, pupil mobility and recognition of outcomes of learning periods abroad. Providing intercultural learning opportunities to all young people is the main objective, therefore EFIL supports its members in developing partnerships with schools for internationalisation through mobility and non-formal education opportunities. For this purpose, EFIL organises international teacher trainings delivered by its European Pool of Trainers.