

**FIRST TRANSNATIONAL
PROJECT MEETING HELD IN
GYMNASION ME LYKEIAKES
TAXEIS ASOPIAS, GREECE
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Youngsters Nowadays. Where from? Where to?



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The project meeting activities we carried out were according to the meeting programme which we had established prior to the meeting. The activities were chosen so that they should meet the project aims for the first transnational meeting. We had three full days in which we got to meet one another, in person and cooperate to set up the implementation project plan after the Croatian partner's withdrawal. Besides this great pleasure to meet our partners, to see how cooperative, friendly, open-minded and dedicated to fulfilling the project objectives each of the partners is, the meeting showed that some teachers from different countries who only had interacted via the Internet to devise the project, once they met, they behaved like mutually understanding friends who knew what to do so that the common aims should be achieved, in this particular case, our project objectives.

All the participants considered that the activities were relevant to the project objectives as they managed to devise all the plans they had proposed to, they improved their communication and organizational skills, and raised their cultural awareness.

The first day of the transnational meeting, 14.12.2017

The "Welcome" meeting with the project team in Assopia, Greece and the school presentation by the host. Asopia Junior and Senior High School is located in a village in the prefecture of Viotia. It has 115 students and 15 teachers and provides general education in secondary level to students coming from an agricultural background. Most of their parents are self-employed in olive, vegetables (carrots, onions and potatoes) and vineyard farming, while struggling to develop packaging industry of their products. In addition, 40% of the student population of the school includes a number of immigrants coming from European and Asian countries. It is situated 20 km away from Thiva. All these places are the backgrounds on which these wonderfully hospitable and warm people made their history and traditions, that our partnership will allow us to discover, understand and admire.



As a symbol of our long lasting friendship and cooperation, the principal of the host school, took the initiative of planting an oak tree in the school yard, that we all watered and took photos of, surrounding it. It is the tree of the project that symbolises the desire to continually develop ourselves professionally and as human beings in a tolerant and constructive environment.



The first day of the meeting was dedicated to devising the project plan of implementation for the digital visualization of the project activities and results, which meant the proper functioning of the project website, the project Twin-space, the project Facebook community; communication sessions via Skype (schedule, their evaluation and SWOT analyses.) According to the tasks allocated to each team when we devised the project, the Italian team was in charge with the setting up of the project website, the Greek team with our project Twin space and the Turkish team was responsible for the project Facebook community. All these responsibilities were well carried out and together we established some aspects regarding the proper functioning of these digital results, ways of interactions and containers of our activities. so that the communication and visualization of the project should be improved. We also established the schedule for Skype sessions, so we agreed to meet virtually once a month and we also agreed on these sessions evaluations and SWOT analyses.





Our project website : <https://youngstersnow.wixsite.com/youngstersnowadays>

Our project Facebook community: <https://www.facebook.com/mpalerasmus/>

Our project Twin space: <https://twinspace.etwinning.net/44914/home>

We discussed the organization of the Logo competition with details and deadlines . We decided that each partner would propose several logos and would conduct an internal vote competition on its own logos to participate in the final vote and each country's selected proposal would be uploaded on the 9th February on a Google environment which would contain restrictions so that the participants from a country would not be allowed to vote for their own entry. The survey will be conducted on Tuesday 13th February, by 30 students from each country.

We also discussed the measures through which we would improve our communication, so that we achieve the objectives of the activities. As the Croatian school withdrew, we talked at that time about how we reallocated the tasks that this school initially had, and during this meeting we talked about the reallocation of responsibilities and tasks among the remaining partners, and we agreed with the tasks each country has after this withdrawal. Besides the initial ones, that all of us maintained, the reallocated ones were: the organisation of the logo competition-Italy, the initiations of Skype meetings- Portugal, the evaluation of the Skype meetings - Turkey. Romania would organise the third LTTAs whereas Greece would host the 3rd Transnational meeting.

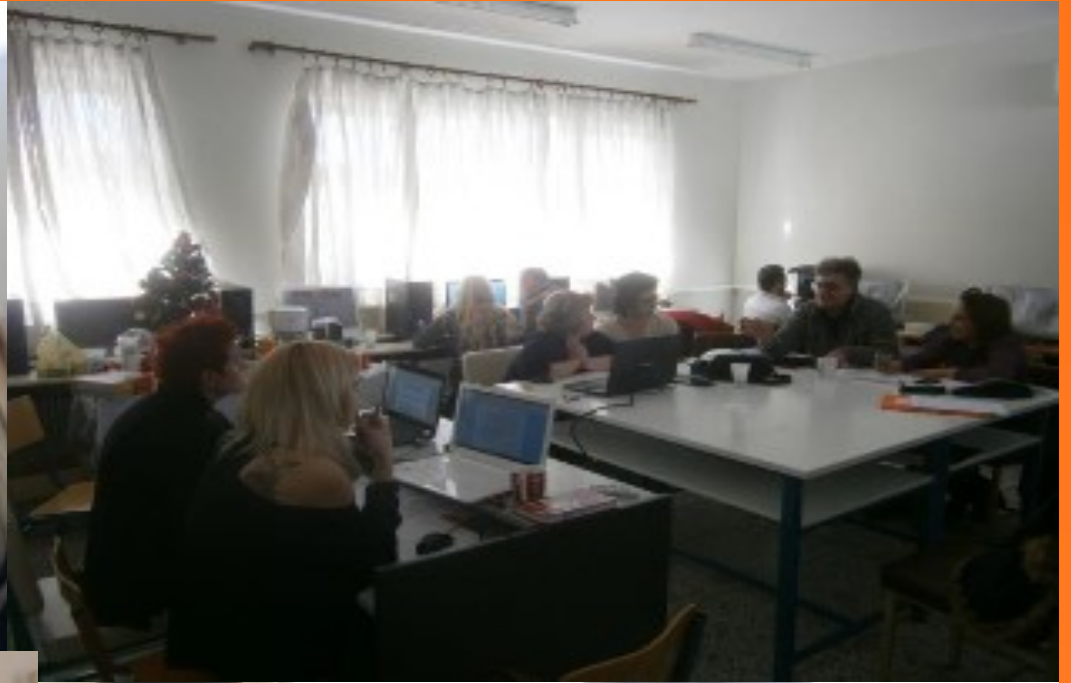
The second day of the transnational meeting, 15.12.2017

During the second day of the project meeting, the participants devised the implementation and also the evaluation plan, according to the ones stated in the application form, but taking into account the changes that had been made in the partnership and the real situations that we had encountered. We made the plan for the dissemination of activities and project work both at school level and at project level which would be monitored through an online platform that all partners will fill in regularly, as soon as they have done those dissemination activities.

We also made up a plan for the budget control and we agreed that a report about each partner country's expenditure would be sent to the project coordinator to monitor each participant country's budget.

We devised evaluation questionnaires that were to be applied on the last day of each transnational project meeting and we created a draft for the evaluation of the Learning, Teaching and Training Activities and results that would be changed according to the objectives and results of that respective meeting.

We also agreed upon a project progress evaluation that was to be made according to the implementation plan.



The third day of the transnational meeting, 16. 12.2017

During the third day of the meeting we held a discussion about the dates of the next two meetings., the first project LTTAs (in Portugal) and the second project transnational meeting (in Turkey). We decided that the 1st LTTAs would take place from 4th March to 10th March 2018 , with the activities between 5th-9th and we proposed that the 2nd TPM should be held in Bursa from 2nd May to 6th May 2018. There were many variables to be taken into account while establishing these dates: the fact that two partner schools have several international projects in progress, the school holidays and school exams.

We talked about the activities that we would carry out during the first Learning, Teaching and Training Activities in Portugal so that the project objectives for this meeting should be achieved. We discussed the final products that would be made and the ways we would implement the activities. For the two final products that we would make in C1, we devised questionnaires on food and sports habits , to be the starting points to conduct the surveys on which the products are based.

We discussed how we would make the evaluation of C1 and the tools we would use. We also established. the dissemination of the results that would be achieved during C1 and talked about the participants' travel and accommodation for C1.

The work session finished with the evaluation of the transnational meeting in which the participants filled in an online questionnaire through which they expressed their opinions about the activities during the transnational meeting.

We all thought that all objectives had been fulfilled and the meeting had given us the chance to develop our skills, competences and attitudes, to broaden our cultural horizons, knowledge that each of us would disseminate back home.



In our free time, we had a cultural and documentation visit to the Museum of Archaeology in Thiva. We made a short tour of the town where we saw places full of history, culture and traditions.







We think that the sunshine of Greece in mid December, the unbelievable splendour of these places, full of vivid vegetation, inhabited by kind and hospitable people, shaped by millenary history that we had the chance to experience first hand, at each pace, made us feel blessed that we met one another to cooperate, to exchange examples of good practice, and last but not least, to plant an oak tree that would symbolize our cooperation and friendship forever.

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