Youth for democracy!

Let's strengthen democratic skills by respecting basic human needs!



Education prevents radicalisation

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Newsletter 4

The freedom that democracy has brought us also confronts us with new challenges. In order to cope with them well, we need assured self- and social competencies.

In the EU Heart project (start 09/2020), students learn to develop an empathic relationship with themselves and others using an emotional-empathic approach, which assumes that all people have the same basic needs, while acquiring a critical distance from emotionalizing rhetoric.

In summer 2022, the next products have been completed: The final versions of all interactive presentations (related to basic needs according to William Glasser, the strategies to fulfil basic needs and the historical episodes addressing students aged 13 to 16) are available for download on our project website. This teaching material familiarizes young people with the Five Basic Needs according to William Glasser and shows them that all people, regardless of their gender, origin or culture, have the same basic needs. The different types of materials enable the topic to be addressed through different digital and analogue approaches in a motivating way, adapted to the needs of the individual learners.



In July 2022 the second real meeting took place in Rhodes (GR). In the framework of ICICTE conference the European Heart Project was presented to the international scientific community. Furthermore, we worked on finalizing the IO2 (movies) during the meeting and had time for preparations for the next steps and products, which will be the Active Citizenship Team-game (IO3) and the module guide (IO4) for working with the materials for basic needs, strategies, episodes and movies for teachers.

In fall the continuing work on the ACT game (IO3) will be in our focus: this is an interactive team board game with IT extensions for students in the languages EN, DE, FR and GR, it aims to promote social and inter-

Content

All interactive presentations are available

Movies on historical episodes are available

Meeting and congress in Rhodes (GR)

Work on development of ACT game

cultural competences, critical thinking, understanding of the EU's common values, and civic engagement and participation among young people in a playful way.

All materials are developed for use in history and ethics classes, for political education and for interdisciplinary projects. They are intended to make history tangible, to enable emotional learning from history, and to motivate active participation in society. More information on our project website:

https://european-heart.eu/

Interesting points

 The project trains students aged 13-16 to acquire democratic skills.

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