Empowering Digital Teachers TC

During EDGE Learning Activity held in Zagreb, in May, all the partners and more teachers met and had the chance to test the online course, designed to support teachers in applying digital learning in their classrooms.

THE IDEA BEHIND EDGE DIGITAL TRAINING COURSE

The course was ideated with the aim of improving one's confidence and provide useful skills to integrate digital technologies in teaching and learning: with a strong focus on how inclusive the methodology can be.

The participants can build on their existing experience and learn how to embed proven digital teaching & learning strategies in their daily practice: to help them meet students expectations and advance their school's practice.

The modules are meant to help teachers explore the benefits of using digital skills, show them how to get started with their own virtual learning environment (VLE) or help them make the best of the existing one they may have.
HOW TO PARTICIPATE AND FOLLOW THE TC

Once published, EDGE Online Training Course is going to be hosted on the platform Canvas. It will be possible to access it from PC but also through an app.

To download the app, and be ready to always have the TC with you, click here.

*The app is available for both iOS and Android.

DID YOU KNOW?

This online course was developed by a team of experienced education professionals who are passionate about promoting digital technology in learning and teaching.

Feedbacks from the partners

After the training sessions in Zagreb, the tested TC has been generating great interest in the teaching staff of our entity. In a short time, this training will enter the piloting phase, and we are sure that it will be of great use for us.

The TC has been designed to help teachers apply digital learning in the classroom, to improve their confidence and use their skills to integrate digital technologies in their teaching and learning. Teachers will be able to learn how to address inclusive teaching and learning with digital tools;

to design, develop, implement and validate active learning methodologies based on digital technologies, to meet student expectations and advance the digital practice of the educational center. We have great hopes that all this practice and teaching will have repercussions and will improve, in our case, the Valencian educational field and our students and teachers.
The EduFutura team was very happy to welcome all the partners in Zagreb and to host the training activity. It’s been a most rewarding experience for all EduFutura team members.

The Croatian teachers who took part in the training activity organized in Zagreb were very pleased with the EDGE online course and are very much looking forward to running it as online mentors later this year. One primary school teacher described the course as “giving educators the opportunity to develop and evaluate their digital teaching skills in a safe and encouraging environment.” He also said the course was flexible in terms of the workload and the time required to complete it, which is good as it caters to the needs of individual teachers. He feels the EDGE online course is best described as a place where different approaches and ideas share the same goal – which the EDGE team was delighted to hear!

We were impressed by our meeting in Zagreb. We enjoyed the atmosphere, the cooperation, and the professionals as well as the personal exchange. It has become clear that our project has made good progress. The course we tested at this meeting contains a lot of innovative ideas and concepts. It was especially enjoyable that real teachers participated in our meeting and were trained as mentors. We are very grateful for their commitment to participate and especially their helpful feedback.
Associazione NET has recently shared the final version of EDGE guidelines with one of its partner, Universitry of Chieti (UdA), which received it very enthusiastically, considering this common research job very useful and valuable for University purposes.

After the training days in Zagreb, some teachers in UdA also asked to receive access to the EDGE curriculum on Canvas to find out more about the project and its deliverables. A great interest has arisen being the topic of digital learning very current and still needful of relevant solutions. Lastly, some of the teachers that enrolled in the online course, expressed their availability and interest in piloting the course which for them represents a great chance to discover useful resources for a better and more successful digital teaching experience.

The meeting in Zagreb allowed us to exchange views and opinions and enabled us to participate in vivid discussions in order to share our experience and know-how with a group of educational experts from various countries in Europe. During the training we got familiarised with the full course proposal; we discussed various modules and discussed potential amendments to its contents and structure before the implementation of the piloting phase. The talks we held with project partners were both professional and friendly which proved that months of cooperation within the project have made us a cohesive and cooperative group with a shared goal of developing an innovative pathway for personal and professional development scheme.

With the prototype IO2 course complete the partners used the recent Training Activity in Zagreb to test some of the course functionality and design elements. Each of the partners demonstrated the course content they had developed and asked the other partners and the invited course mentors to participate in the online activities and provide feedback on the course.

GCC were delighted by the contributions made to the discussion "Let’s not reinvent the wheel” which was included to try and encourage course participants to share resources. The screenshots from the discussion below show the wide variety of resources highlighted by just 3 of the 10 contributors. GCC would take this as a clear indication that this type of discussion could be very useful as it exposes participants to a wide range of tools and resources.

“We would like to thank the Croatian hosts for the smooth, problem-free organisation of the training and the possibility of meeting all project partners in person after so many months of distant cooperation.”

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