



# E.U. AND ME: A NEW "EUROPEAN DIMENSION OF EDUCATION"



## Course Summary

Europe, as a joint project, is facing one of the most severe challenges in its recent history. Building a sense of belonging among EU citizens undoubtedly involves deepening the development of initiatives and the widespread incorporation of European themes into School curricula.

The experience of various daily lives in European countries, while also recognizing local and regional identities, as well as the friendly relationships that European exchanges and projects create, contribute decisively to the knowledge and appreciation of the multiple identities, institutions and lifestyles of European citizens, while reinforcing their sense of belonging and identity at regional, national, European and universal levels.

If at the outset the concept of the European dimension was centered on the knowledge that students and professors should have about the Member States, today it means not only that knowledge, but the exercise of active European citizenship by informing learners of the need to be prepared to face the challenges of the global world, taking advantage of what EU has to offer, acquiring capabilities and developing skills that are appropriate to the demands on the labour market as well.

## Course Objectives

In the context of the New European Dimension of Education, the aim of the course is to raise awareness among teachers and, by means of dissemination, Education Institutions, in order to provide students and young adults with the learning of themes of European construction and identity. This course settles within a framework of global citizenship advancement, alongside the development of attitudes and values that will lead to the expansion of participants' awareness about Europe's richness and cultural diversity. The overall aim must be to strengthen the sense of European identity in young generations and teach them the advantages and challenges of European citizenship.

### Learning outcomes:

- acquisition of a sense of responsibility in an interdependent society, and equal opportunities for all;
- abilities to act autonomously, to make value judgments, to critically evaluate issues and to adapt to the challenges of innovation;
- Enhance young people's learning potential at a professional and personal level, motivating them for lifelong learning;
- Provide training and qualifications that help the participants to enable students to make a smooth transition to working life and, in particular, to prepare them for the demands of technological development;
- Enable the identification and sharing of good practices that can be implemented at local level.

**These objectives aim to create good pedagogical practices for European citizenship based on shared values of interdependence, democracy, equality, mutual respect and equal opportunities. This, in turn, will also lead to an improved quality of education by helping students to establish a better social integration and transition to working life.**



# PROGRAMME

Contents	
Day 1 Sunday	<p><b>Meet/reception at 18:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Welcome session and course overview and Hand-out of material</li> <li>✓ Presentation of the participants and team;</li> <li>✓ Team building;</li> <li>✓ Dinner and Icebreaking.</li> </ul>
Day 2 Monday	<p><b>Meet at 8:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ The European Union. Historical and institutional introduction</li> <li>✓ The Maastricht Treaty. The Lisbon Treaty</li> <li>✓ The Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union</li> <li>✓ Guided Tour through the heart of Porto City, exploring its landmarks and local European constructions, at a cultural and citizenship level.</li> </ul>
Day 3 Tuesday	<p><b>Meet at 08:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ The pillars of the European Dimension of Education:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Europe and the World</li> <li>✓ Process of building European unity</li> <li>✓ Today's European Challenges</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Day 4 Wednesday	<p><b>Meet at 8:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ The role, good practices and activities that education institutions can develop to deepen full European citizenship:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Schengen Agreement and its importance in building European unity</li> <li>✓ Awareness of the importance of the great migratory movements of peoples today</li> <li>✓ Recognize the importance of solidarity in building a more cohesive Europe</li> <li>✓ Link European citizenship with the entrenching of the rights of EU citizens</li> <li>✓ Understand the importance of civic and democratic participation in building Europe</li> <li>✓ Mobility in the EU: the role of Institutions</li> <li>✓ Know programs, projects and exchanges of cooperation and promotion of European citizenship</li> <li>✓ Enhancing mobility opportunities in the EU Reflect on the importance of European cooperation networks</li> </ul> </li> <li>✓ Erasmus+: Capacity Building Testimonial - from current and past beneficiaries of Erasmus+ mobility programmes, who will tell us about the multiple advantages of taking part in mobility programmes.</li> </ul>
Day 5 Thursday	<p><b>Meet at 8:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ How can education institutions participate in mechanisms for disseminating social, energy and environmental sustainability values and practices?               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ the principles and methodologies</li> <li>✓ the specificity of students' new behaviors</li> <li>✓ the universal themes</li> <li>✓ good practices to be adopted</li> </ul> </li> <li>✓ EU concerns in education and sport</li> <li>✓ Guided Visit to social and informal spaces and sites, attended by Erasmus students.</li> </ul>
Day 6 Friday	<p><b>Meet at 8:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Trip to Braga and Guimarães – to be experienced in a historical perspective, focusing on the history of the Church in Portugal and Guimarães is the birthplace of Portugal. A rich place in cultural heritage, for several years a UNESCO World Heritage place. There will also be a visit to University of Minho and to Reitoria, in Braga.</li> <li>✓ The future and guidelines for strengthening education policies</li> </ul>
Day 7 Saturday	<p><b>Meet at 8:00</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Work presentations</li> <li>✓ Course roundup and review</li> <li>✓ Validation of learning outcomes</li> <li>✓ Certification.</li> </ul>



## Location

The course will be held in Porto – Portugal. There will also be trips to the cities of Braga and Guimarães.

## Course Duration and Costs

All costs of our courses can be supported with a grant under KA1 of the Erasmus+ programme.

Learning Together charges for a **7 days course 640 euros per participant (A+B)**

**A - Course fee and Duration:** our 7 days course has a cost of 490 euros for tuition and materials (7 day course x 70,00 Euros per day). This is covered with the course fee that you get with your KA1 grant: 70 euro per day.

**B - Organizational Support:** Payment of 150 EUR per participant (total amount)

In average, educational organizations receive 350 Euros per participant for organizational support. Learning Together will only charge you 150 Euros for administration and organization costs (local organization, trips, pedagogic support activities, learning validation, certification and Europass Mobility validation). This fee also includes the social program below.

### Social Program

- ✓ Cultural Heritage day: Guide visit to the city of Porto.
- ✓ Visit to "Ribeira" and 6 Bridges Boat Trip.
- ✓ Visit to Port Wine Cellars.

## To be paid by yourself from the KA1 grant

- Your grant covers travel costs. The amount is calculated based on the distance that you need to travel from your home place to the course.
- Your accommodation and meals will be assured through **Individual support**. The amount that you receive to cover the costs of your stay depends on the country that you choose. The range for Portugal is between 60-120 Euros per day and participant. This amount covers your stay at hotel and your meals. Learning Together don't book your stay at the hotel but we can give you tips and advice for your booking. Plenty of restaurants are available on the city for your daily meals. This option allows you to explore freely our city, hotels, restaurants and course travels.

## Course Dates

### Porto – Portugal

- 03 May 2020 to 09 May 2020
- 02 May 2021 to 08 May 2021

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