

Building bridges between schools and migrant and refugee parents



*We are glad to announce the
launch of Parents Engage platform!*

ParentsEngage – Building bridges between schools and migrant and refugee parents in Europe is a 2-year project funded by Erasmus+ Programme, which aims to strengthen the skills of teachers in promoting productive relationships with the families of pupils with a migrant background and to support the involvement of foreign parents in the educational pathway of their children improving the educational offer and combatting school drop-outs of pupils with migrant backgrounds.

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Therefore, the objective of the project is to reinforce teachers' skills in fostering productive relations with migrant and refugee families tackling early school leaving.

To achieve this goal we will develop a useful and comprehensive set of interactive online training materials for teachers who need to develop their skills in working with migrant and refugee students and their families. Also, an Information Package for parents will be produced to navigate them into the local school system in order to support their children's education.

Currently, the partnership is working for the collection of innovative CSO and school practices on parental involvement in partner countries and at European level. These innovative practices will be freely downloadable from the platform by early autumn.

The Parents Engage platform will function as an online knowledge hub, an Open Educational Resource where educators and teachers will be engaged to mutually learn and adopt different educational strategies which facilitate parental involvement in the lives of students.

Follow the Parents Engage Platform to keep updated with the project progress and to know more about innovative educational strategies in the field of inclusive education!

Partners

ParentsEngage is a project co-funded by the Erasmus+ Programme: Erasmus+ KA2 – DG Erasmus+, Cooperation partnerships in school education. The project is implemented in six Countries and it involves seven organisations as partners:

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- [STIMMULI FOR SOCIAL CHANGE](#) (Greece)
- [CESIE](#) (Italy)
- [BUYUK ORTADOGU SAGLIK VE EGITIM VAKFI](#) (Turkey)
- [CSI CENTER FOR SOCIAL INNOVATION LTD](#) (Cyprus)
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