

European Partnerships for School Development Kick-off Meeting and Community of Practice

Vienna, 8 – 10 February 2027

Venue: [Novotel Wien Hauptbahnhof](#); Canettistraße 6, 1100 Wien

Programme

Monday, 8 February 2027

Welcome – Getting to Know Each Other – Building the Community

- 13:30** **Guided Walking Tour of Vienna** *(optional for early arrivals)*
- 15:00** Registration & Welcome Coffee
- 16:00** **Welcome to Vienna**
Opening by **Jakob Calice**, Managing Director, OeAD *(tbc)* or **Ernst Gesslbauer**, Director Erasmus+ and ESK, OeAD
- 16:15** **Setting the Scene**
European Partnerships for School Development – Vision, Objectives and Roadmap
Christian Kiefer, DG EAC, European Commission
- 16:35** **Interactive Icebreaker – Around Europe**
Facilitated networking activities introducing participants, organisations and expectations.
- 17:25** **Meet the School Authorities**
Thematic project tables *(arranged by key areas/tasks)*
- 19:00** Networking Dinner

Tuesday, 9 February 2027

Inspiration – Good Practice – Capacity Building

- 08:00** Registration
- 09:00** Welcome Back & Energizer
- 09:10 Official Opening**
Opening Remarks by Federal Minister Christoph Wiederkehr (tbc)
Opening Remarks by Diana Jablonska, Director EAC.B Erasmus+, Education and Skills (tbc)
Welcome Words by Jakob Calice, Managing Director, OeAD
- 09:40 Keynote | School Development in Austrian Schools**
Doris Pfingstner
- 10:15** Questions & Discussion
- 10:45** Coffee Break
- 11:15 Workshop Round 1 – Peer Learning & Community Building**
Working on tasks in common in facilitated international groups
- 12:30** Lunch
- 14:00 Good Practice Marketplace**
Interactive exchange of successful approaches from participating School Authorities.
- 15:00 Workshop Round 2 – Operational Kick-off**
 - Organisation level
 - Partnership level
 - External communication

(Coffee Break included)
- 17:00** Reflection & Harvesting
- 19:00** Networking Dinner



Wednesday, 10 February 2027

Community of Practice – Impact – Looking Ahead

- 08:00** Registration
- 09:00** Morning Energizer
- 09:10** **Interactive Input | From Results to Impact**
Creating organisational and system-level change through European cooperation.
- 09:45** **Workshop Round 3 – Managing for Impact**
Long-term impact strategies for organisations and partnerships.
- 10:45** Coffee Break
- 11:15** **eTwinning for Sustainable Partnerships**
How eTwinning can strengthen collaboration, dissemination and the Community of Practice.
- 12:00** **Community Building**
Commitments for the next six months.
- 12:45** **Closing Session**
Summary of key takeaways
Launch of the Community of Practice
Next milestones and farewell by EK and OeAD
- 13:00** Optional Networking Lunch