

Strengthening EU Values through Digital Participation



MAIN INFO

SALTO E&T link:	https://salto-et.net/events/show/LV01_0738_THO_2024		
Sector:	SE VET HE AE	Priority:	Participation in democratic life (2021-27)
Scope:	Transnational		
Type of presence:	Face-to-Face	Venue country:	Latvia
Venue city:	Riga	Working language:	English
Key Action:	Not applicable	TCA documents:	Draft Agenda Participation.pdf
Postponed:	No	E+ Academy:	No
Start date:	28.10.2025	End date:	30.10.2025
Subtopic:	newcomers networking democracy EU policy		

TCA DESCRIPTION

Themes and goals:	<p>Strengthening Citizens' Understanding of the EU Through Active Participation</p> <p>As civic challenges evolve and democratic landscapes shift, promoting European values and fostering active participation is more important than ever. In alignment with the European Year of Digital Citizenship Education 2025 (Council of Europe), which highlights the significance of EU values, active citizenship, and digital engagement, the Latvian National Agency of Erasmus+ (LV01) is hosting a three-day transnational conference under the Erasmus+ Programme. The event aims to strengthen citizen engagement, promote democratic principles and European identity by encouraging active participation, digital engagement, and the mobilization of alumni networks. By merging citizenship education with digital tools and alumni-driven initiatives, the conference will contribute to building a more inclusive, democratic, and digitally empowered citizens, aligning with the core objectives of the European Year of Digital Citizenship Education 2025. At the heart of a thriving democracy lies the interconnection between EU values, citizenship education, active participation, and lifelong engagement. These elements empower individuals to take part in democratic processes, uphold fundamental rights, and foster a more inclusive society. In today's digital age, participation extends beyond physical spaces - digital tools and platforms have revolutionized how people engage, learn, and influence society. Additionally, alumni networks play a crucial role in sustaining civic engagement beyond formal education and project participation. By connecting past Erasmus+ participants, youth leaders, and active citizens, these</p>
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networks support long-term involvement in democratic life, knowledge-sharing, and policy-making processes. Whether you're an educator, youth worker, policymaker, or an active citizen, this seminar will equip you with essential knowledge, practical tools, and a network of like-minded professionals working toward the same goal - enhancing meaningful participation in the digital age. This activity is linked to the LTA TCA "PEACE," coordinated by Italy. More information can be found [HERE](#).

Expected results:

To develop and deepen the awareness and comprehension of the "Participation in democratic life" priority within the Erasmus+ 2021-2027, covering EU Policy framework, emphasizing EU values, democratic life, citizenship, support mechanisms, guidelines, international and national contexts. This dynamic event will dive deep into key aspects of digital participation, including: Understanding and strengthening EU values; Encouraging active participation in democratic life; Exploring digital participation aspects; Learning about Erasmus+ programme; Tools for participation; Challenges and solutions; Practical applications; Develop new contacts and partnerships; Exchange ideas and discuss future cooperation. Through expert-led discussions, interactive workshops, and networking opportunities, participants will leave with actionable insights and innovative ideas to foster EU values and digital participation in their respective fields. Why You Should Participate Empower yourself and others by understanding EU values, active participation in democratic life, digital participation. Expand your network by connecting with professionals, educators, leaders, and policymakers from across Europe, exchanging experiences and forming potential collaborations. Make an impact because active participation has the power to drive change at local, national, and international levels. Be part of the movement that shapes the future of engagement!

Additional information:

Additional information: The seminar will take place in Riga. National Agency will cover accommodation for 2 nights from October 28 - 30, 2025. Any additional nights need to be covered by the participants. Preliminary programme: Tuesday, October 28: start around 15:00 with agenda, networking and dinner. Wednesday, October 29: full day programme, including workshops, social event and dinner. Thursday, October 30: half day programme with lunch around 13:00. Applications will be submitted through SALTO form. **IMPORTANT!** The seminar programme requires the presence of all participants from date to date (arrival time attended for lunch). Please plan your travel accordingly.

PARTNERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Organiser NA:	LV01 - Valsts izglītības attīstības aģentūra / State Education Development Agency
Number of participants:	100
Target group:	School leaders, directors Teachers Trainers Education professionals Other support staff School authorities Policy makers Representatives of non-governmental institutions Other
Erasmus+ Programme experience level:	Newcomers and Experienced beneficiaries
Profile of participants:	TCA is for all sectors – SCH, VET, HED and ADU and Key Action: KA1 and

KA2. - representatives from all education and training sectors: school education, vocational education and training, adult education, and higher education - current beneficiaries as well as newcomers in the Erasmus+ and potential applicants- having very good knowledge of English (at least B.2). This seminar is open to educators, leaders, policymakers, researchers, civil society representatives, and anyone interested in promoting active participation, EU values, digital participation and citizenship.

Participants per country:

Sending partner(s) - Booked places:

AT01 - 7	BE01 - 4	BE02 - 4	CZ01 - 4	DE01 - 7	DE02 - 5	DE03 - 4
DK01 - 2	EE01 - 6	EL01 - 3	ES01 - 9	FI01 - 4	HR01 - 1	IE01 - 2
IT02 - 10	LT01 - 10	LU01 - 2	LV01 - 30	MT01 - 2	NL01 - 3	PL01 - 5
SI01 - 2	SK01 - 4	BE03 - 1	LI01 - 3	MK01 - 4	PT01 - 3	SE01 - 6
TR01 - 3	IT01 - 6					

Pending Sending partner application(s) - Booked places:

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Accepted Sending partner(s) - Accepted places:

AT01 - 4	BE01 - 4	BE02 - 4	CZ01 - 3	DE01 - 3	DE02 - 2	DE03 - 4
DK01 - 2	EE01 - 4	EL01 - 3	ES01 - 6	FI01 - 3	HR01 - 1	IE01 - 2
IT02 - 7	LT01 - 4	LU01 - 2	LV01 - 30	MT01 - 2	NL01 - 3	PL01 - 3
SI01 - 2	SK01 - 4	BE03 - 1	LI01 - 3	MK01 - 4	PT01 - 3	SE01 - 3
TR01 - 3	IT01 - 4					

Pending booked places: 0

Accepted places: 123

TCA PARTICIPANT APPLICATION

Start date of TCA Participant Application:	07.04.2025	Application deadline:	31.05.2025
Confirmation deadline for Sending NAs:	07.06.2025	Confirmation deadline for Organiser NAs:	10.06.2025

LONG-TERM ACTIVITY INFO

Title:	PEACE+		
Coordinator:	IT02 - Agenzia Nazionale Erasmus + - INDIRE	Priority:	Participation in democratic life (2021-27)
Subtopic:	networking democracy EU policy raising	Sector:	SE VET HE AE

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Country:

 Austria | Belgium
 Czech Republic
 Estonia | France
 Germany | Greece
 Italy | Latvia
 Lithuania
 Luxembourg
 Republic of North
 Macedonia | Poland
 Portugal | Romania
 Serbia | Slovakia
 Slovenia | Spain
 Sweden

Working language:

English

Start date:

01.2025

End date:

12.2027

Rationale and background:

The new edition of LTA PEACE+ (2025-2027) aims to expand the achievements of the first LTA PEACE initiative, reinforcing European identity and civic engagement through an integrated network of Erasmus Alumni, Ambassadors, and Role Models. The key objectives include: Strengthening cooperation between Erasmus+ National Agencies to broaden participation and outreach. Enhancing communication and dissemination efforts to engage a larger number of stakeholders and citizens. Providing structured training on EU values and European citizenship education. Continuing research on civic engagement to better target messages and content. Increasing synergies between different European programs to foster mobility and civic participation.

Challenges:

Expansion of Networks The initiative seeks to: Unify and expand networks of Erasmus+ Ambassadors, Alumni, and Role Models across multiple countries to foster a deeper sense of European belonging. Strengthen partnerships with institutions at local, national, and international levels to promote civic engagement. Develop a robust governance structure that ensures sustainability and impact measurement through national Observatories. Institutional Collaboration and Measurement Establish stable relationships with territorial institutions for sustained collaboration. Implement tools to periodically assess improvements in civic engagement, internationalization, social inclusion, and digital transition. Event Planning and Outreach Define a recurring program of events at the national and international levels, here follow a draft calendar: PEACE+ Kick-off Meeting (February 2025, Florence, Italy - INDIRE) PEACE (April 9-11, 2025, Cluj-Napoca, Romania) EU Values and Participation (October 2025, Riga, Latvia) TCA for Kindergarten Teachers (October 2025, Tallinn, Estonia) TBD Event (October 2025, Greece) TBD Event (November 2025, Germany) TBD Event (2026, Vienna, Austria) TBD Event (2026, INAPP, Italy) Organize multi-country meetings where Alumni and Ambassadors collaborate in outreach activities with students and teachers. Enhance the impact of Erasmus+ initiatives through coordinated communication strategies.

Planned Activities:

Planned activities divided for Work Packages (WPs) WP1 - Governance Coordination and strategic oversight of PEACE+ activities. Establishment of a Board of Directors and an Operational

Board. Signing of a Memorandum of Understanding among National Agencies. Monitoring progress and impact measurement through key performance indicators. WP2 - Networks Strengthening and expanding Alumni and Ambassador networks across Europe. Formalizing agreements with established Erasmus+ networks (e.g., ESN, Erasmus Garage). Developing IT tools for efficient network management. Creating structured methodologies for selecting and engaging network members. WP3 - Training Developing training modules on European values, civic engagement, and political literacy. Producing digital learning materials, including e-modules and interactive resources. Facilitating knowledge exchange through structured online and in-person training events. Creating an open-access training platform to support Erasmus+ beneficiaries and the general public. WP4 - Communication Designing and implementing a comprehensive communication plan. Producing promotional materials, reports, videos, and case studies to highlight Erasmus+ impact. Conducting targeted outreach campaigns at the national and European levels. Engaging media and stakeholders in dialogue on civic participation and European citizenship. WP5 - Research Conducting studies on key themes such as political engagement, social inclusion, and EU citizenship. Collaborating with academic institutions to develop research reports. Integrating findings into policy recommendations and future Erasmus+ initiatives. Organizing international conferences to disseminate research outcomes.

Expected results:

Strengthened and expanded networks of Erasmus+ Alumni, Ambassadors, and Role Models. Increased public awareness and participation in European civic engagement initiatives. Greater synergy between Erasmus+ programs and other EU-funded initiatives. Enhanced training opportunities to promote EU values and citizenship education. A data-driven approach to measuring the impact of Erasmus+ on civic engagement.

SINGLE ACTIVITIES CONNECTED TO THIS LONG-TERM ACTIVITY

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| SK01_0722_THO_2025 | Erasmus+ as a Path to Global Citizenship Education |
| LV01_0738_THO_2024 | Strengthening EU Values through Digital Participation |
| PL01_0756_THO_2025 | EU-Engage: Promoting Civic and Democratic Engagement in Higher Education |
| EL01_0785_TSS_2025 | Unlocking Democracy: Inclusive Participation through Erasmus+ |

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