

Erasmus+ project

Facilitating e-Learning for an Inclusive Pedagogy (e-FLIP)

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REPORT ABOUT THE MOBILITY

Learning/Teaching/Training Activity 4 (LTT 4)

The fourth Learning, Teaching and Training Activity took place in Volos, Greece as part of the Erasmus + e-FLIP project (Facilitating eLearning for an Inclusive Pedagogy) from March 20th to March 24th, 2023.

The central theme of the event revolved around the introduction of the e-FLIP Model, as well as training sessions focused on several WEB 2 tools such as Kahoot and Padlet (Iceland), VideoAnt and e-Story (Greece), EddPuzzle and Metimeter (Germany). Attendees were also treated to exemplary lesson plans presented by partner schools, as well as an exhibition of the digital platform. Finally, there were two workshops held during the event, by the Turkish partner, one dedicated to material development with WEB 2 tools, and the other focused on engagement with the digital platform.

On day one, the partners convened at Park Hotel at 1 pm, as some of them had arrived earlier. The Center for Education and Innovation (InnovED) provided lunch at the venue – Park Hotel - before the e-FLIP Model by GAUN was introduced. Additionally, two digital tools, EddPuzzle and Kahoot, were presented.

The second day's agenda included two study visits in the morning that took place in Volos city center. The first stop was at the Center for Lifelong Learning – Dynamiki Educational Organisation (<http://www.dynamiki.gr/site/?lang=en>), where Continuing Professional Training programs were implemented for the unemployed, employees, self-employed individuals and people from sensitive social groups. Furthermore, the Center provides counseling services aimed at sensitive social groups and promotes the employment of individuals who complete their professional training programs. The second stop was at The Public Beneficiary Enterprise of the Municipality of Volos, Support is a key body for the exercise of social policy. Its main purpose is to provide social care, through the development of programs in the fields of Social Care and Solidarity, Health Promotion and Culture. It has undertaken the preparation and implementation of actions concerning the most sensitive groups of the population, the elderly, children, the disabled, the needy and unemployed citizens of the Municipality.

After concluding the study visits, the partners proceeded to a local restaurant for a traditional lunch before returning to the meeting venue to resume their session. During this session, they presented two digital tools, VideoAnt and Mentimeter.

The day of Wednesday, the 22nd of March, was dedicated to a trip to Meteora. Meteora is widely known for its unique rock formations and the ancient monasteries that are perched on top of them. These monasteries date back to the 14th century and offer stunning views of the surrounding landscape. After visiting Meteora, we continued our journey to Trikala, a nearby city known for its historical sites and natural beauty. Trikala is home to the impressive 17th-century Ottoman-built Alaca Imaret Mosque, and the picturesque Koziakas mountain range, where visitors can go hiking and explore the serene countryside. The town also features several enchanting Byzantine churches, making it a fascinating destination for history and architecture enthusiasts."

The fourth day of the training began with an engaging workshop presented by our Turkish partners. Following this, the school partners showcased their exemplary plans. After lunch, the group delved deeper into digital tools, with a particular focus on Padlet and e-Story. With the presentations complete, the partners began preparations for the farewell dinner in the charming village of Makrinitza, situated near Portaria, the most popular Pelion villages.

Makrinitza is located at an altitude of 600 meters and is known for its well-preserved traditional architecture, with stone houses, cobblestone streets and beautiful squares. Portaria is another picturesque village in Pelion that boasts of its beautiful mansions, lush greenery and scenic views of the Aegean Sea. Both these villages offer a wonderful glimpse of traditional Greek rural life and are popular tourist destinations.

The evening also included a certificate ceremony to commemorate the successful completion of the training.

On Friday, the last day of the training, the partners visited a remarkable public association in the morning called "The Sunflowers." This association provides professional training and employment opportunities for people with disabilities and is supported by the municipality of Volos and the social enterprise of social protection and solidarity. After a meaningful morning, the partners returned to the meeting venue at noon to start the second workshop focused on engagement with the digital platform, led by our Turkish partners. Following a lunch, the partnership convened for a project meeting, where they discussed all the necessary aspects to complete the project in the next six months.

The following day, all partners made their travel arrangements to Athens and Thessaloniki airports to return home.