



# Exchanging Best Practices through EU Platforms



## Learning outcomes

At the end of this module, you will be able to:

- ✓ **Search for and connect** with schools and educators across Europe using a set of EU Platforms (European School Education Platform, Digital Education Hub, Education for Climate etc.)
- ✓ **Identify potential partners** for Erasmus+ and eTwinning projects based on shared interests and priorities
- ✓ **Get inspired** by successful EU-funded projects and adapt ideas for their own school context
- ✓ **Use EU platforms strategically** to internationalise their school's activities and promote collaboration
- ✓ **Exchange best practices** and **join communities** focused on inclusion, sustainability, digital learning, and civic education



# The European School Education Platform





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The [European School Education Platform](#) is the official platform for the entire school education community in Europe. It serves as the single gateway for Erasmus+ school activities, eTwinning collaboration, and professional development. It provides teachers and school staff with opportunities to network, learn, connect with other schools, find project partners, and gain inspiration.

In the following slides, we will explore each section of the platform and their functionalities: Discover, Learn, Teach, Connect and eTwinning

## European School Education Platform

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# 👆 European School Education Platform - Discover

## Filters

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**Topics**

## Search results (248)

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RESOURCE | 16.06.2025

### NEST: A roadmap for novice teachers in disadvantaged schools

The NEST mentoring model offers an innovative approach to guiding novice teachers and improving retention in the profession.

[Curated resources](#) [Initial Teacher Education](#) [Wellbeing](#)

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RESOURCE | 15.05.2025

### YIMinds: Youth Information minding young people's mental health

The project aimed to foster dialogue between youth workers, mental health professionals and young people, while addressing



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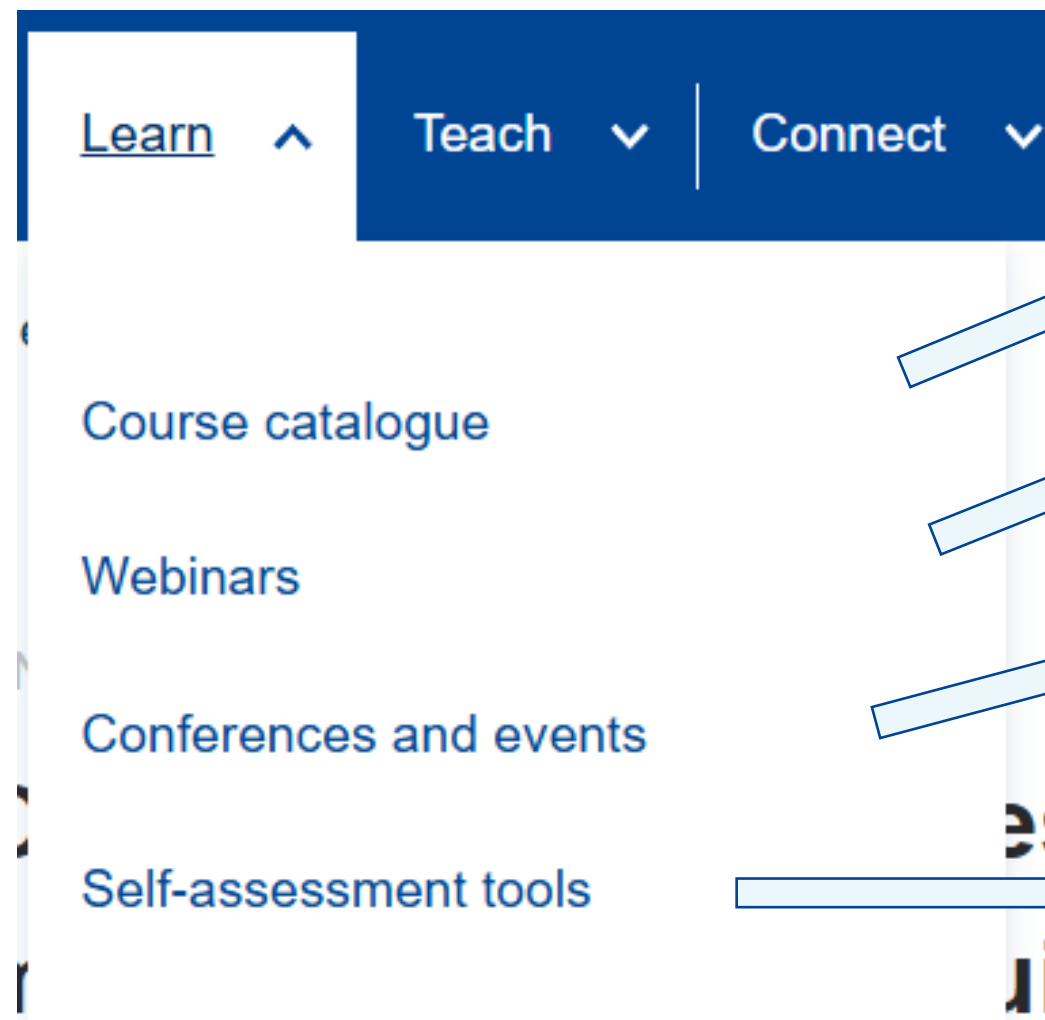
### 📘 Topics

To find inspiring projects and discover relevant content, teachers can explore the Platform's online resources by using a set of filters:

- **Type of Content** - Articles, Practices, News, Events, Training Opportunities, Policy Guidance
- **Topic** - EU priorities in education (e.g. digital education, inclusion, sustainability, well-being, multilingualism)
- **Target Group** - Early childhood, primary, secondary, VET, school leaders, teacher educators, policy makers
- **Language** - Filter resources based on the language they are available in
- **Country or Region** - Useful to explore national-level practices or contributions
- **Date or Publication Period** - To access the most recent or archived resources



# 👤 European School Education Platform - Learn



The Course Catalogue offers free, self-paced online courses for teachers on topics like inclusion, digital skills, and EU education. Simply log in, enrol in a course of your choice, and learn at your own pace.

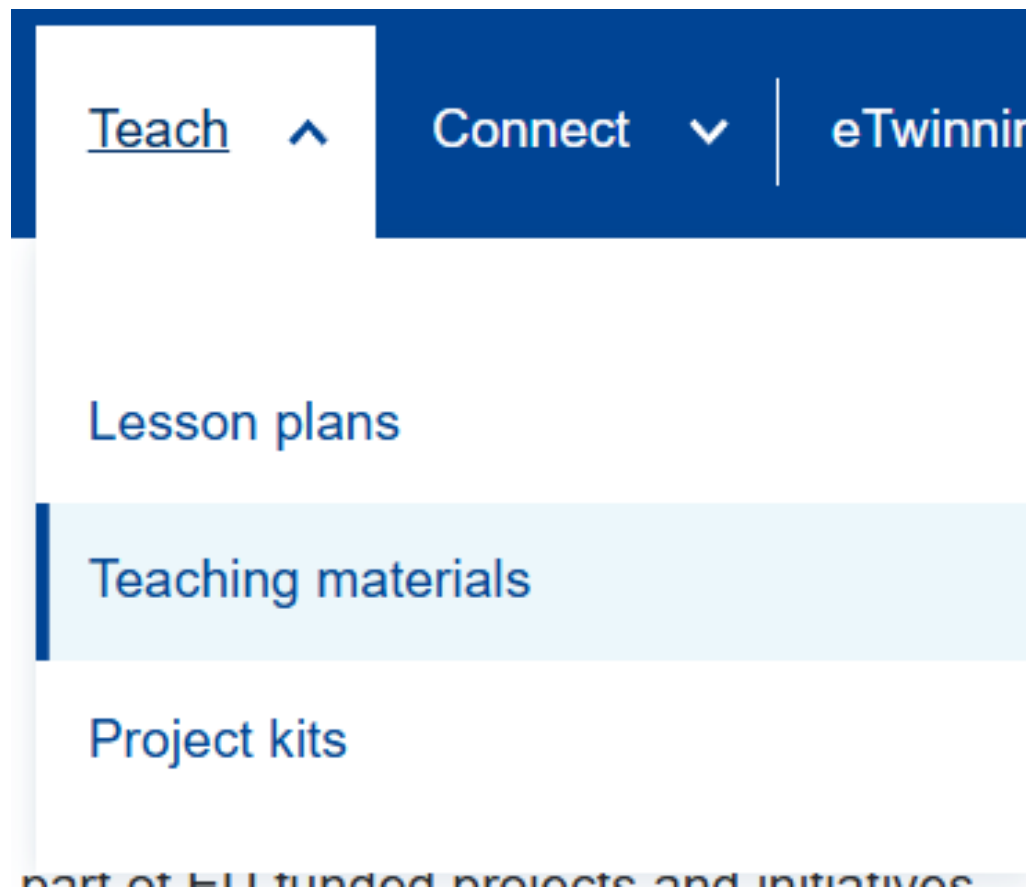
Free, expert-led webinars on key topics in school education – from digital tools to inclusion – open to all educators for inspiration and professional growth.

This section showcases a variety of live and interactive events such as online workshops, training sessions, conferences, and community discussions. Teachers can join events to exchange ideas, explore EU education priorities, and connect with colleagues across Europe.

This section offers interactive tools to help teachers, school leaders, and schools assess their practices in areas like digital competence, inclusive education, and whole-school development. Use them to reflect on your strengths, identify areas for growth, and receive tailored recommendations.



# 👆 European School Education Platform - Teach



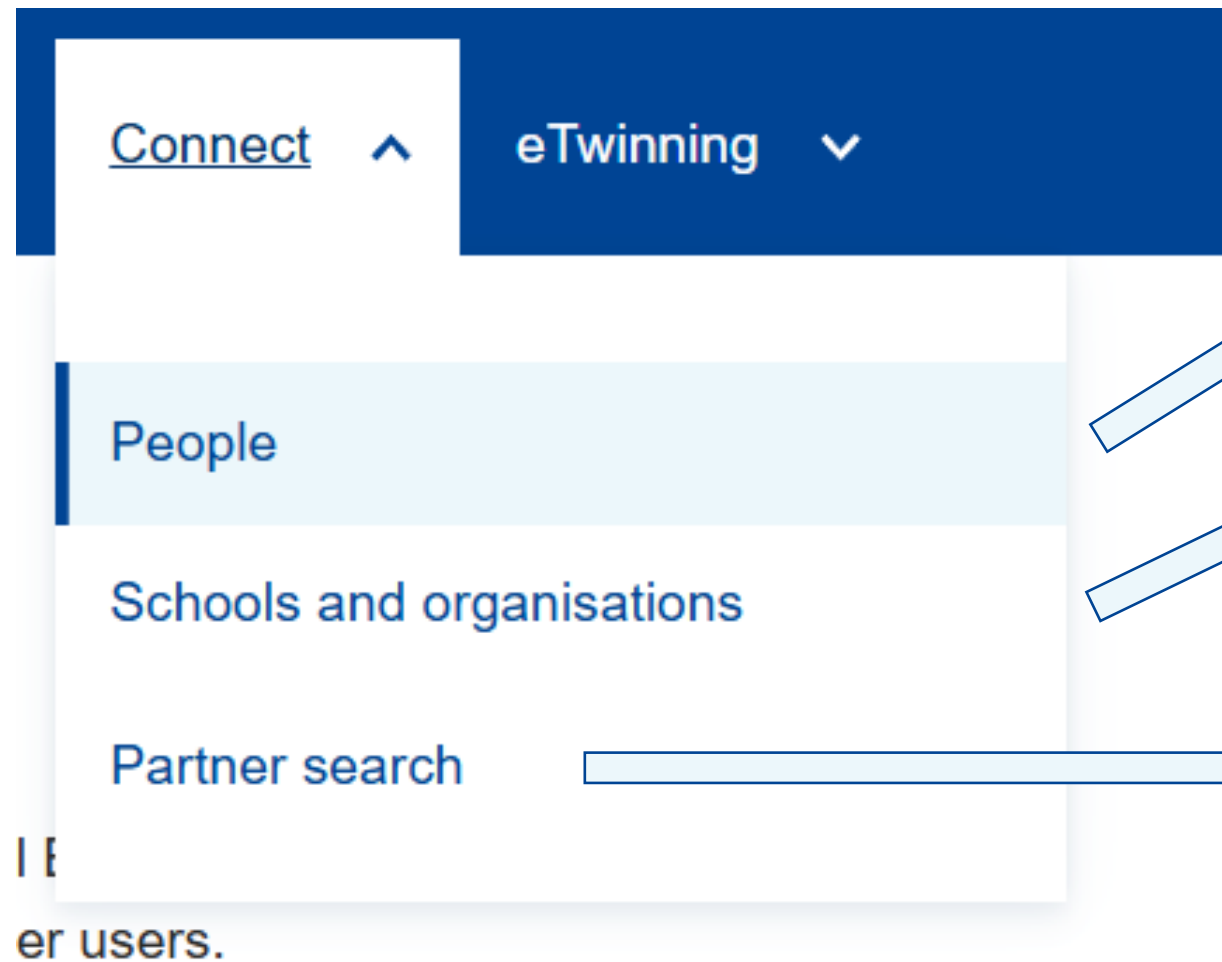
This section provides a collection of practical, classroom-ready lesson plans created by teachers across Europe. They cover various subjects and age groups, and often focus on key EU themes like citizenship, inclusion, sustainability, and digital literacy – all free to adapt and use.

This section offers a wide range of educational resources, including activities, worksheets, guides, and digital tools. Designed by and for teachers, the materials support innovative, EU-focused, and inclusive teaching across subjects and school levels.

Project Kits provide ready-made templates and ideas for running eTwinning (see further) and cross-border classroom projects. Each kit includes clear objectives, suggested activities, tools, and timelines – making it easy for teachers to start a collaborative project with schools across Europe.



# 👤 European School Education Platform - Connect



Teachers can search for and connect with other educators across Europe, explore their profiles, share ideas, and build partnerships for collaboration and projects.

Use this feature to find schools and education organisations across Europe, explore their profiles, discover shared interests, and build partnerships.

Organisations can:

- Publish detailed project proposals (**Erasmus+ Mobility, Partnerships or Jean Monnet**), specifying the theme, objectives, target age group, type of activities, and the kind of partner(s) they are seeking
- Browse a directory of other schools and institutions actively looking for collaboration
- Initiate direct contact with potential partners to co-design a joint project.



## European School Education Platform - Connect

Through the “Connect” function of the Platform, teachers and school leaders can identify schools with similar interests or profiles across Europe, useful for:

- eTwinning projects
- Erasmus+ projects
- Peer exchanges and job-shadowing

The Platform allows you to view:

- School location and educational level (e.g. primary, secondary, VET)
- Languages spoken
- Areas of interest (e.g. digital learning, sustainability, inclusion)

This helps in choosing partners that align with your school’s values or project goals.



By browsing schools already involved in European projects, you can:

- Get inspired by their work
- Reach out and join existing networks
- Start a conversation around shared topics of interest



Listing your own school increases your visibility across Europe and shows you are open to:

- New partnerships
- Professional exchanges
- Innovation in EU projects



# European School Education Platform - eTwinning

eTwinning is the European platform connecting teachers and school staff from across Europe allowing them to collaborate, share best practices, and create joint educational projects.

## Why Use eTwinning?



Connect with teachers across Europe to share ideas and resources



Work together on cross-border classroom projects



Access free courses, webinars, and online training for professional growth



Join themed discussion groups to explore your interests and grow your network



National support organisation in Poland  
<https://etwinning.pl/>

Create your [EU Login](#) account and register on eTwinning at this [link](#)



# European School Education Platform - eTwinning projects

## Projects Create project

Search by keywords Search Show filters

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### Projects (159102) Order by: Most recent



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#### Raccontarsi per conoscersi – Se raconter pour se connaître

Ce projet eTwinning a pour objectif de permettre à des élèves français et italiens de mieux se connaître et de s'exprimer dans la langue étrangère à travers des thématiques proches de leur quotidien...



## European School Education Platform - eTwinning prizes

eTwinning European Prizes celebrate the best collaborative school projects in Europe, highlighting outstanding teaching practices carried out through eTwinning.

### Why They Matter

These prizes recognise projects that demonstrate:

- Strong collaboration between partner schools
- Creative and pedagogically sound use of digital tools
- Promotion of EU values like inclusion, sustainability, and citizenship

### Who Can Win?

- Projects that have already received a European Quality Label are eligible to be selected.
- Winning teachers and students are invited to special award ceremonies and events.





# European School Education Platform - eTwinning prizes

**BEST PRACTICE: WINNER 2025 (Age group 16-19)**

## [Keeping the Memory Alive](#)

eTwinning project focused on holocaust remembrance and historical awareness. It engages students and teachers in exploring Europe's 20th-century history, particularly World War II and the Holocaust, through collaborative learning and digital tools.

### Key Elements:

- Promotes intercultural dialogue and reflection on human rights and democratic values
- Encourages students to connect historical memory with current events
- Uses creative tools (videos, timelines, interviews) to foster critical thinking and empathy

### Educational Impact

Students not only learn about the past, but also develop a sense of responsibility as European citizens, understanding the importance of remembrance in preventing intolerance today.





# Platforms addressing EU priorities

Digitalisation, Inclusion. Green transition, Civic engagement





## Digital Education Hub

EU initiative that brings together educators, experts, and stakeholders to collaborate on the digital transformation of education.

### How Can Teachers Use It?

- Join a community of practice to exchange ideas and challenges
- Access up-to-date resources and solutions for teaching with digital tools
- Stay informed about EU actions, funding, and strategies in digital education
- Take part in discussions, working groups, and collaborative activities



[Register here](#) to become part of the Hub



SELFIE is a free, EU-developed **self-assessment tool** that helps schools reflect on how they are using digital technologies for teaching and learning.



## How SELFIE Works - 3 Simple Steps

- 1 The school coordinator sets up the SELFIE process online by selecting participants and timeline. Custom questions can be added.
- 2 School leaders, teachers, and students complete an anonymous, easy-to-use questionnaire (15-30 min)
- 3 The system instantly generates a tailored report showing the school's strengths and areas for improvement in digital learning. Schools can then use the report to: launch internal discussions; set digital development goals; guide strategic planning and Erasmus+ digital projects

Visit [education.ec.europa.eu/selfie](https://education.ec.europa.eu/selfie) to get started



# SALTO Resource Centre for Inclusion & Diversity

SALTO is an EU-funded resource centre that supports inclusive and diverse education and training across Europe. It helps schools and educators make their learning environments more accessible, equitable, and inclusive for all learners.



## Why Use It?

- Offers guides, tools, and training resources on inclusion and diversity
- Focuses on underrepresented and disadvantaged groups (e.g. migrants, students with fewer opportunities, disabilities, etc.)
- Supports schools in aligning with Erasmus+ inclusion strategies

## Project Examples for Schools

Teachers can visit the “*Get Inspired*” section to:

- Explore real, funded project examples in school education
- Find ideas to adapt or replicate inclusive practices in their own schools
- Discover how others address challenges like access, equity, language, well-being, and more

Visit <https://saltoinclusion.eu/> to get started



# Education for Climate



EU-supported platform that brings together educators, students, and stakeholders to co-create solutions for climate and sustainability challenges through education.

Education for Climate

## Why Use It as a Teacher?

- Internationalise your work by joining a European network of climate-focused educators
- Exchange best practices in sustainability education with peers across Europe
- Find partners for collaboration on green initiatives and Erasmus+ projects

## Key Features for Teachers

Join or co-create real-world sustainability challenges and involve your students in problem-solving → [Challenge Hub](#)

Connect with others using the European Green Competence Framework in their teaching → [GreenComp Community](#)

Network with local peers working on climate education in your language and context → [Country Groups](#)



# European Parliament Ambassadors School Programme

EPAS is an official programme of the European Parliament that promotes active European citizenship in secondary schools and VET institutions. It engages teachers and students in learning about democracy, EU institutions, and citizens' rights through interactive and participatory activities.



**CONNECT, LEARN AND EXPERIENCE THE EU!**

## Why It's Useful for Teachers and Schools

- Promotes civic awareness and EU values in the classroom
- Connects schools across Europe through a growing network of ambassadors
- Shares best practices in teaching about democracy and the European Union
- Helps schools internationalise their offer and involve students in real-life EU issues

## Explore the EPAS Network

Around 2,000 Ambassador Schools across the EU and 5,000 teachers appointed as senior ambassadors – find schools in your country or connect with others across Europe

[View the EPAS School Map](#)



# EXERCISE

## Planning Your European Initiative with the Support of EU Platforms





## Exercise

Based on what you've learned in this module, develop a brief outline of an initiative that you would like to implement in your school to strengthen its European dimension. Then, identify the most suitable EU platform to support your idea and use it to search for relevant partners, stakeholders, and best practices.

### 1. Outline your idea

- What is the goal of your initiative?
- What EU theme or priority does it address (e.g. inclusion, sustainability, digital, citizenship)?
- Who is involved? (e.g. students, teachers, external actors)

### 2. Identify the most relevant platform(s) to support this idea

(Choose from those explored during the module)

### 3. Search for and list potential partners and stakeholders

- Use the chosen platform to identify schools, organisations, or communities that could support or join your initiative
- Create a short list (3-5 entries) of useful profiles to connect with

### 4. Search for relevant best practices/past projects

- Use the same platform selected and use filters when possible
- Note 1-2 examples that align with your idea and could inspire your next steps

### Your Output

Prepare a short presentation or written note including:

- A short description of your idea
- The platform you selected and why
- A list of potential partners/stakeholders
- Relevant best practice(s) you identified

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