



# Deliverable 5.1 - Report from the Training in Aveiro Portugal

# WP5 - ORGANISATION OF TRAINING COURSES

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### 1. Introduction

**Digit Edu 2023** (Promoting cooperation and research to address the digital needs in the area of education and training in Europe–Year 1) is a project funded by the European Union under the Erasmus+ programme, Civil Society Cooperation in the fields of Youth, Education and Training.

The **European Digital Learning Network ETS (DLEARN)** participates in this project, which runs from January 2023 and December 2023, **as a single partner**.

DLEARN is a non-profit association aimed to embrace the challenges brought by the digital revolution in terms of digital skills mismatch, toward an inclusive digital society. DLEARN pursues the aim of contributing to the objectives defined in the "Digital Agenda" through the implementation of what is necessary for the creation of the so-called "Digital Skills in the economy and European society" pillar. In addition, DLEARN's activities are designed and implemented to be in line and to concretely and positively contributing to the Digital Education Plan 2021-2027 to generate new opportunities for the education and training organisations, policy makers, researchers at national, EU and international level.

#### In Digit Edu 2023 project, **DLEARN is committed to the following objectives**:

- 1. To raise awareness and contribute to the realisation of the European Education Area and the Digital Education Plan.
- 2. To contribute to the development of policies at European level on the topic of digital skills and digital transformation.
- 3. To promote cooperation between EU organisations for the promotion of digital education and digital needs.
- 4. To promote the participation of organisations in the Erasmus+ programme, the European Solidarity Corps and other EU programmes.
- 5. To facilitate exchange of good practices, results and experiences among stakeholders for an inclusive digital society.
- 6. To increase stakeholder commitment and cooperation with public authorities for the implementation of policies and reforms in line with the European Education Area objectives.

The **Digit Edu 2023 Work Plan includes in total 6 Work Packages (WPs)**, listed as follows.

Two are horizontal:

 WP1 - Project Management and Coordination, which will ensure smooth application of activities.





• WP6 - Dissemination, Sustainability and Impact, which will ensure DLEARN's outreach.

The other four WPs are for implementation:

- WP2 Organisation of Conferences, which will organise 1 annual DLEARN conference in Brussels and 2 satellite conferences hosted by DLEARN members.
- **WP3 Networking**, which will organise 2 networking events and participation of DLEARN in EU wide networks.
- **WP4 Research**, which will launch 2 researches, one on "Digital Skills and Jobs", and one on "Digital Footprint".
- WP5 Training, which will organise three training courses and four webinars.

This document represents the **Deliverable 2.2** - **Report from the training course organised in Aveiro, Portugal**, which contains the conference proceeding and the participants' inputs on the thematic areas of the training days. This report is in English and available in Portuguese.





# 2. Preparation of the event

The training course titled "Building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects" was planned to take place in Portugal, precisely in the town of Aveiro, in collaboration with the School José Estêvão - Escola Secundária José Estêvão (AEJE)- at the premises of such school which cooperated with Dlearn for the implementation of the training course. The course was organised in three different days in October 2023 (23rd, 24th and 25th) covering each one a specific aspect of the main thematic area of this training.

The preparation of this training course was carefully planned well in advanced by involving a total of 42 people from AEJE and DLEARN and reaching out to other people outside of the organisers, demonstrating the impact of such training days on the local community and its awareness and willingness to be part of innovative ideas and methods explored by DIGITEDU 2023 project. To successfully involve those persons some measures were taken in the preparatory phase:

The agenda was prepared, the venue was set at the premises of AEJE building and the days selected to run the training course; then a mailing list was created to recruit potential attendees and participants and lastly different sectors and representatives of the local community were contacted to insure the full involvement of educational stakeholders and wider public, not only school related one.

In particular, when selecting the invitees to the 3 days training course, two main categories were engaged as preferred audience:

- 1. Trainee teachers from two different universities and their trainer teachers in order to let them acquire tools to view the ERASMUS+ Program as a facilitator and enricher of curriculum management;
- 2. University level professors in order to guarantee the participation of universities and their connections and networks to a training conceived from a European perspective.

The main goal was to attract ha wide representation of educational sphere so also other stakeholders such as the representative persons of High Education Organisations, of Institute of Employment and Vocational Training; other School directors and school leaders; Training Center Director; parents' associations and sports clubs' representatives were invited to attend the Training Course.





# 3. Detailed description of the event

The training course was organised in three different days – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023- taking place for all the three days at the Portuguese School José Estêvão in Aveiro. Each training day of the course dedicated to the main topic of building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects lasted approximately three hours and entailed a theoretical presentation followed by more interactive, Hands-on sessions structured as workshops for the sake of participant's practice. Three main thematic areas – namely a) How can EU project benefit newcomers; b) the right projects for newcomers and c) How to be involved in EU projects were explored and further expanded during the training course titled "Building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects". The speakers during the 3 days training course were Ms. Maria Gloria Leite, the current School Director of the Schools cluster AEJE; Mr. Fernando Delgado who currently recovers the position of Deputy Director of AEJE and responsible person for all ERASMUS+ co-founded projects implemented by this Portuguese school; Mr. Gianluca Coppola, President of Dlearn and expert in European level projects and Ms. Beatrice del Nero, project manager at Dlearn. The training course structure was set up similarly for each of the 3 days so that consistency was insured for the whole duration.

The first day, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2023, started in the afternoon with a warm welcoming of participants and explanation of the training course program day by Ms. Leite followed by the intervention of Dlearn staff, Ms. Del Nero who introduced to attendees her organisation -European Digital Learning Network ETS- and the DIGIT EDU 2023 project, with a particular emphasis on its scopes, target groups and results. The theoretical part of the day was covered by Mr. Delgado with his presentation on how EU projects can benefit newcomers. After that another session was opened during which the very same speaker gave useful tips and shared his expertise on writing EU projects. The first day of course was hence closed by an open discussion about the topics of the day and some questions and answers slot.

The second day dedicated to the training course was the afternoon of 24<sup>th</sup> October 2023. The usual welcoming of participants and explanation of the programme of the day was followed by an insightful presentation and explanation of the right projects for newcomers provided by Ms. Del Nero who focused her attention in particular on learners and their specifics as target groups. Another useful intervention was made then by Mr. Delgado who offered some best practices from winning past projects in order to illustrate the 'must do' for an EU co-founded activity. The day continued with a practical workshop during which attendees brainstormed ideas for their first EU project and worked in group moderated by AEJE and Dlearn staff. The closing remarks wrapped up the topics covered and offered the occasion for questions and relative answers.

The last day of the training course dedicated to building capacity for newcomers' organisations was the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023.





The attendees were welcomed by Ms. Leite who introduced the programme of the day. The floor was then of Mr. Delgado, with his presentation and speech on how to be involved in EU projects. This session offered an overview of main rules and conditions of the Erasmus+ programme in order to inform also new potential organisations dealing with their first experience within EU co-founded activities. The same speaker delivered another illustrative presentation on creating effective partnerships and identifying target groups. The presentation was accompanied by practical examples from previous projects. Maintaining the structure of the previous training days, the course foresaw a workshop; this time on building a project consortium. Participants implemented such exercise and an open discussion moderated by AEJE staff followed. The day, being the closing one for the whole training course, was concluded with an overall wrap up and lesson learnt from the 3 days.

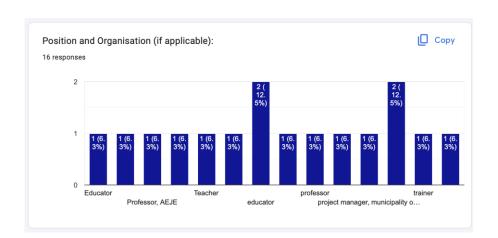
The 42 participants to the training course "Building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects" organised in the framework of DIGITEDU 2023 projects were quite different people in terms of backgrounds, countries of origin and professional status. The educational world as its wider was represented and all attendees showed a deep interest and motivation. The open discussion moments and brainstorming sessions helped the sharing of expertise and testimonies, while the hands-on practical activities and exercises as well as the analysis of good practices and examples from other/previous protects and initiatives were also very helpful and crucial for the training richness and for its sustainability.





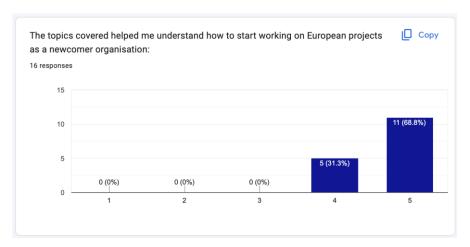
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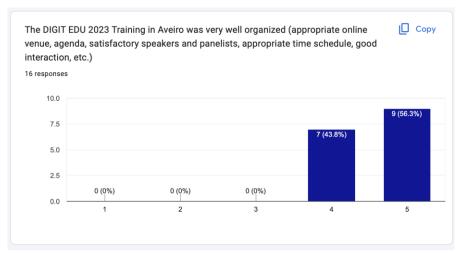
The evaluation and follow-up of the three days training on "Building capacity of newcomers organisations in EU projects' organised in October 2023 in Aveiro was guaranteed through an online questionnaire circulated among attending people. As it is understandable form the graphs reported below, a total of 16 people replied to such online survey and the results show a very good result in terms of attendees' appreciation of the training and lessons learnt. The participants — whose position and organisations where investigated by the questionnaire; confirm their belonging to the educational field and policy related world- affirmed that the training course helped them in grasping how to work on EU project as newcomers actors (almost 70% said so). The course was highly rate also for what concerns its organisational aspects — venue, agenda, time scheduling, speakers, interactions- and the themes touched during it are clear to the totality of participants. Overall the training was extremely well rated gaining only 4 and 5 score — the highest possible in the scale used for this evaluation- and attendees reporting having appreciated the boosting of skills and competences covered by the course; in particular, they perceived an increase of knowledge in regards to the steps to do as newcomer organisation when building an EU co-founded project, setting up a consortium, writing phases and selection of target groups.

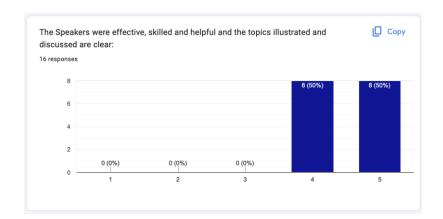






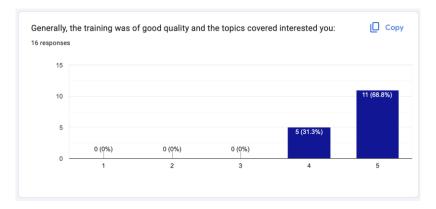


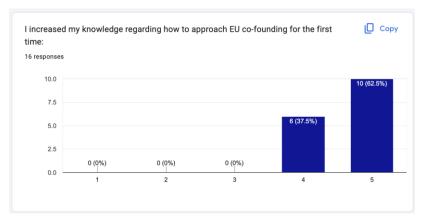


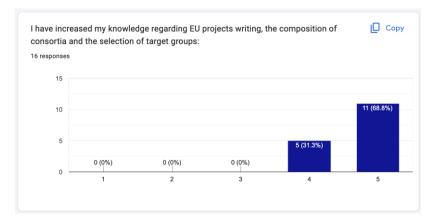








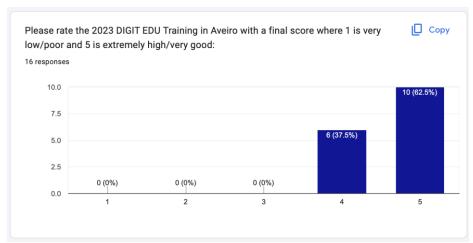
















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## **Annex 1 - The Agenda**





"Building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects"

Training course in the framework of DIGIT EDU 2023 project

Dates: 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Venue: Escola Secundária José Estêvão- Aveiro, Portugal



Agenda

DAY 1, Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October, 2023

#### 16:30-16:40

Welcoming of participants and explanation of the training course program day; Glória Leite 16:40-17:00

Introduction to European Digital Learning Network ETS and DIGIT EDU 2023 project: scopes, target groups and results – Beatrice Del Nero

#### 17:00-18:00

How can EU project benefit newcomers? Theoretical explanation-Fernando Delgado 18:00-18:30

Sharing expertise in EU project writing: which tips for newcomers? Fernando Delgado 18:30-19:00

Q&A and open discussion about the topics of the day- Glória Leite and Fernando Delgado

DAY 2, Tuesday 24th October, 2023

#### 16:30-16:40

Welcoming of participants and explanation of the training course program day: Glória Leite





#### <u>16:40- 17:1</u>0

The right projects for newcomers: diving into specifics for learners: Beatrice Del Nero 17:10-18:00

The 'must' do for an EU project: presentation of best practices from winning past projects: Fernando Delgado

18:00-18:40

Practical workshop: My first EU project is on its way! Fernando Delgado

18:40-19:00

Q&A and open discussion about the topics of the day: Glória Leite

DAY 3, Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 2023

#### 16:30-16:40

Welcoming of participants and explanation of the training course program day: Glória Leite 16:40- 17:20

How to be involved in EU projects: overview of main rules and conditions: Fernando Delgado, Glória Leite

#### **17:20-18:00**

The creation of effective partnerships and the identification of target groups: theory and examples from previous projects: Fernando Delgado

#### 18:00-18:30

Practical workshop: Build your own consortium! Fernando Delgado, Glória Leite 18:30-19:00

Q&A and open discussion about the topics of the day - Fernando Delgado, Glória Leite

#### 19:00-19:15

Wrap up of the 3 days training course and closure - Fernando Delgado, Glória Leite







# **Annex 2 - The Attendance List (or the List of Participants)**







"Building capacity of new coming organisations in EU projects"

Training course in the framework of DIGIT EDU 2023 project

#### 23rd,24th,25<sup>th</sup> October 2023 16.30 -18.30

Name	Surname	Role	Organization	Signature
Manuel	Sousa	Director of Teachers' Centre of Life Formation	Centro Formação Associação de Escolas dos Concelhos de Aveiro e de Albergaria-a- Velha, Aveiro, Portugal	Mennyle
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Joana	Alves	Trainee teacher	Universidade de Aveiro, Portugal	Jama Alus
Sofia	Pereira	Trainee teacher	Universidade de Aveiro, Portugal	Sofia Pereira
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Carlos	Marques	School Director	of Information and Administration Sciences. Escola Artística do Conservatório de Música de Aveiro, Calouste Gulbenkian, Aveiro, Portugal	Calman
Jorge	Ventura	School Director	Agrupamento de Escolas de Estarreja	
Beatriz	Bernardino	Trainee teacher	Portugal Universidade de Aveiro, Portugal	

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# **Annex 3 - Photos**











# Annex 4 - Questionnaires filled in

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