

RURAL VIRTUAL CLASSROOM:

A platform for the rural education community

EDUCATIONAL COMMUNITY PLATFORM

The Rural Virtual Classroom platform is already an educational community with more than 130 users, including teachers and schools from all over Europe.

There are only users from the educational world, a space where they can interact and share projects with rural schools from all over Europe. Currently, it already has an active community that is starting collaborative activities and projects within the platform.

All areas of the platform have been updated, making available for all the users video tutorials explaining how each section works. There are produced through AI (Artificial Intelligence).

If any school or teacher is interested in registering to the platform, they can request the access code through the following email: info@ruralvirtualclassroom.eu

The Rural Virtual Classroom platform has been recognised by the National Institute for Documentation, Innovation and Educational Research (INDIRE). It is the oldest research organisation of the Italian Ministry of Education (<https://www.indire.it/>).

The Platform was recognised by INDIRE, who organised a webinar for all rural schools in Italy, where more than 75 teachers from rural schools participated in the event.

Link: <https://piccolescuole.indire.it/webinar-eu-rural-virtual-classroom-scopri-il-nuovo-ambiente-di-scambio-per-le-piccole-scuole-europee/>

INDIRE was involved in the monitoring and validation of the platform. They defined the platform as an intuitive and user-friendly space.

INDIRE also recognised its security as:

- It is an EU-funded platform with all the guarantees of the EU GDPR.
- Fully identified members: only official schools and institutions can register and allow their teachers/professionals to register.
- Students are never alone: they only enter by direct invitation of their teacher to specific activities.

MULTIPLAYER EVENTS

Between the months of November and January, a total of 6 multiplayer events were organised to present the project to the countries of: Italy, Lithuania, Ireland and Spain.

A total of 176 teachers and education professionals attended. In general, there was a good perception of the platform. 94% think that the platform can be useful and would recommend the use of the platform. All attendees responded that they liked it.



1 Pictures from the Multiplayer events in the Basque Country and Lithuania

FINAL PROJECT

After 2 years accompanying the creation of the platform, we put an end to the project. Over the next few years, the platform will remain operational and maintained for users.

Thanks to all partners for their contribution in the design of the new Rural Virtual Classroom community and to the European Erasmus+ programme for funding it and making it possible to meet and compare different countries and expertise.

See you on the Rural Virtual Classroom platform!

For more information: www.ruralvirtualclassroom.eu

E+ VIRTUAL CLASSROOM

The EU Rural Virtual Classroom project, strongly anchored in ICT, has an innovative approach to face educational deficiencies in rural areas: a collaborative virtual space in real time where rural schools can support each other, filling their deficiencies in teachers' shortage, comparison, content and activities immediately.

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