

EPALE Webinar

Introduction to EPALE and Good Practices

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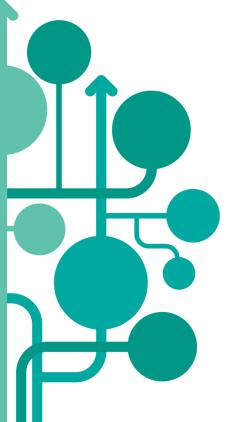
Presentation Overview

- My Role as an EPALE Ambassador
- Ice breaker using the annotation tool
- Background and Introduction to EPALE
- EPALE in Malta
- EPALE Features including good practices for each aspect
- Live Demonstration
- Discussion- How can you contribute ?



My Role – EPALE Ambassador

- EPALE Ambassador since 2016
- Role of EPALE Ambassadors
 - User recruitment
 - Resource sharing
 - Promotion of the mission of EPALE
 - Article, Resources, Blog Posts and Events contributions
 - Participating in and organising EPALE related events
- Promoting adult learning and education



Ice Breaker

Question 1- Are you familiar with EPALE ? Are you a registered member? –Use the Annotation Tool and write in the space below



Question 2- What are your expectations from today's session ? Use the Annotation Tool and write in the space below





Background & Introduction

What is EPALE ?

- EPALE is funded under the **Erasmus+ programme** via the Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency.
- Online community for adult learning professionals over 70,300 registered members (as at July 2020)
- One-stop site for content and community
- 24 EU languages
- On a day-to-day basis EPALE is managed by a Central Support Team with the help of **38 National Support Teams** across Europe (as at July 2020)



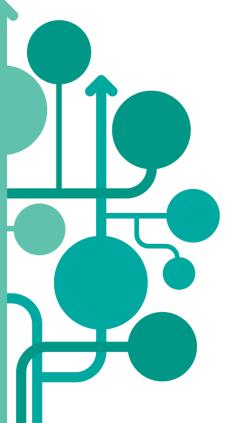
Who Can Use EPALE ?

- EPALE is an open membership platform, enabling users to connect with other adult learning professionals, practitioners and volunteers across Europe
- Anyone interested in adult education can use and contribute to EPALE, some key stakeholders include :
 - Teachers and academics
 - Adult Learning Organisations and Networks
 - Policy Makers
 - Local Councils
 - Researchers
 - Employers
 - Journalists working in education and training



EPALE in Malta

- EPALE in Malta is managed by Directorate for Research, Lifelong Learning and Employability within the Ministry of Education and Employment
- This is governed by a work programme that aims to play a key role in disseminating information about EPALE amongst adult learning stakeholders in Malta.
- A number of activities have been organised such as the EPALE Awareds-Celebrating Adult Learning in Malta (2016 and 2018) Seminars, Conferences, and various dissemination events.
- Further information can be obtained from the FB page <u>Adult Learning in</u> <u>Malta</u>



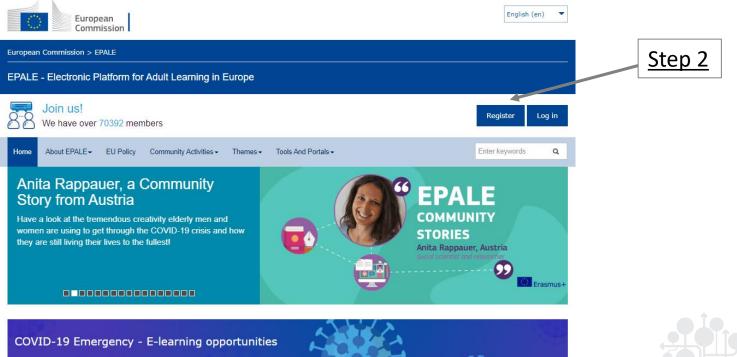
Registration

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 Registration is not compulsory, however it is <u>highly recommended</u> so as to make the best use of the platform and its features



Step 1. Go to https://epale.ec.europa.eu/en



Coronavirus won't stop education: while the emergency is keeping many EU citizens stuck at home, there are many opportunities for teaching and learning.





Step 3- Complete the simple form as shown below and click on Register

Register with EPALE

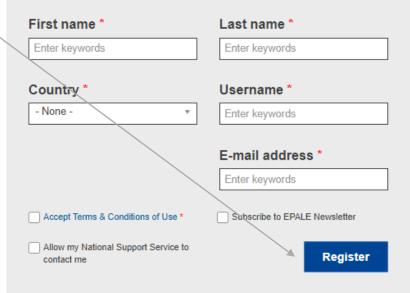
EPALE is a multilingual community for adult learning in Europe funded by the European Commission, to improving the quality of adult learning provision.

Follow the latest developments in our five themes and tends in adult education.

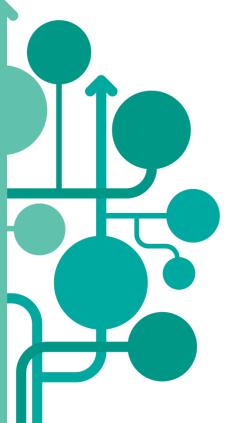
Comment on, like and share publications - On EPALE you can engage with publishers of blog posts, events and resources you're interested in.

Take part in discussions - EPALE offers you the unique opportunity to share your views and exchange ideas. Join your peers in a pan-European debate.

Join a community of over 50,000 users!



Features of EPALE

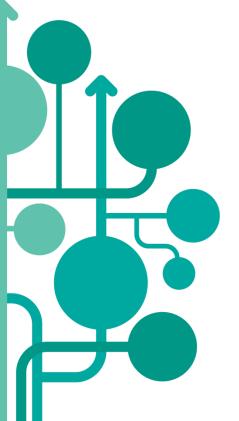


EU Policy

Keeping up to Date with Adult Learning Policy in Europe

- The EU's Role
- Implementation (The European Agenda for Adult Learning)
- Funding- How the EU supports people and projects in adult learning
- Research
- Good Practice
- Policy Analysis Tool (Very useful tool that brings together existing data on adult learning and CVET)





Community Activities

Community Activities

 Community Activities provide more opportunities for engagement both with EPALE as a platform and also with other users Community Activities

Communities of Practice Contribute Blog Events News



Communities of Practice

- Communities of practice are online groups where people with similar interests from the adult learning sector can get together.
- You can join an existing community of practice (if topic already available)
- You can also set up your own community of practice and invite peers

Adult Education Leaders, Learning in Europe

This group is to communicate and share activities of the Adult Education Leaders, Learning in Europe - KA1 Mobility Project.

Number of members: 96 Last updated: 23/06/2020

Subscribe to group

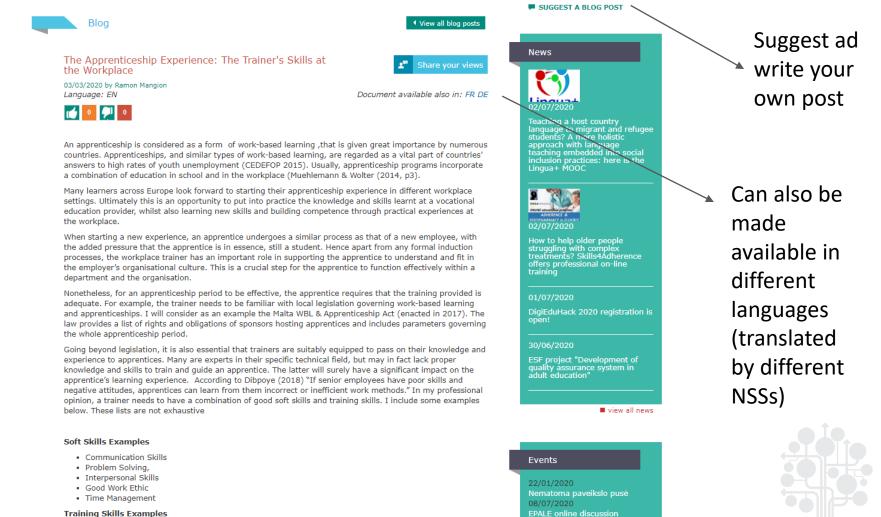


Blog

A blog post can take various forms . Examples include :



Blogs can easily be shared on Social Media to further enhance visibility



Training Skills Examples

Events

- EPALE also offers an event calendar.
- One can post major adult learning events, training opportunities and conferences from all over Europe aimed at adult education professionals.

<u>Tip</u>: This can also be a good tool to aid in the dissemination of your projects for events such as Multiplier Events, Consultation Seminars and other dissemination activities



MCAST Live Events - Information about MCAST Courses

Posted by Ramon Mangion 3 weeks 22 hours ago

Thursday 11 June 2020 to Thursday 18 June 2020 Malta

Join our online information sessions to find out more about continuing your studies at MCAST. These short information sessions will help students understand the application process and course-specific information. Get your questions answered during these live sessions.

Thursday 11th June - Institute of Engineering and Transport

Monday 15th June - Institute of Applied Sciences

Tuesday 16th June -Institute of Information and Communication Technology

Wednesday 17th June- Institute for Business Management and Commerce

Thursday 18th June - MCAST Gozo Campus

Further information about registration and how to access these live online events can be obtained from this link https://www.mcast.edu.mt/mcast-live-events/@

Event language(s):	English, Maltese			
Attending fee:	No			
Online event:	Yes			
Event website:	MCAST Live Events@			
Organiser type:	Other event			
Target group:	Academics, students, researchers in andragogy			

Erasmus+ KA2 Project 'Intergenerational Learning Partnership Over 55' (ILPO55) Final Conference

Posted by Ramon Mangion 2 years 12 months ago

Friday 28 July 2017 Paola,Malta

It is our pleasure to invite you to the Closing Conference of the " Intergenerational Learning Partnership Over 55 " project funded under Erasmus + funds.

The half - day conference will be held at MCAST MALTA - Main Hall on the 28th July 2017 and will build on the success of a series of National workshops organised throughout Europe throughout the course of the project.



The aim of this high-level stakeholder conference is to provide an opportunity to note priorities for action on a sustainable framework for the employability and

retention of workers aged over 55 based on concluded research and evaluation by the partners through online questionnaires, focus groups, individual interviews and country reports.

Earlier this year we held consultation in working group sessions and discussions wherein participants discussed the progress, gaps and challenges, required actions, partnership and coordination mechanism towards addressing the project targets. These findings have defined the final outcome of the project which will be presented on the day.

The conference will come to an end with a number of high-level interventions.

All other information can be found on the project website www.ilpo55.eu @

We look forward to having you with us at the conference.

Event language(s):	English, Maltese				
Event type:	Conference				
Attending fee:	No				
Registration deadline:	21/07/2017				
Online event:	No				
Event website:	ILPO55 Conference Registration				
Organised by:	Malta College of Arts Science and Technology				
Organiser type:	Other event				
Contact details:	Mr. Ramon Mangion-ramon.mangion@mcast.edu.mt Mr. Albert Agius - albert.agius@mcast.edu.mt				

News

 This section can be used to see the latest news from different projects and organisations across Europe.

Newsroom



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NEWS | 2 July 2020 | By Teresa Dello Monaco

Teaching a host country language to migrant and refugee students? A more holistic approach with language teaching embedded into social inclusion practices: here is the Lingua+ MOOC

The Lingua+ Teacher Training Course Guide and MOOC are a combination tool that educators working with adult immigrants can use to build a growth mind-set. It is available for use on the Lingua+ website - use it as a springboard for your own creativity!



- You can also contribute your own articles.
- These can easily be shared on social media platforms as well to further increase visibility



NEWS | 2 July 2020 | By Przemyslaw KARDAS

How to help older people struggling with complex treatments? Skills4Adherence offers professional on-line training

In the 21st century, people live much longer than they used to in the past. This positive change brings also a challenge: living longer, people develop multimorbidity, and in consequence, are often prescribed numerous drugs. This scenario, called polypharmacy, leads to non-adherence in the elderly, with all its negative health and social consequences.

Can these problems be solved? So far, healthcare professionals were lacking effective tools to manage polypharmacy and non-adherence in the elderly.

TAGS: Career-long professional learning



F SUGGEST AN ARTICLE



The Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology launches a new degree course for prospective teachers in VET

Share your views

View all news

Upcoming events

Friday, 3 July, 2020 - 09:00

Latgales mazākumtautības aicina apgūt Aktīvo iedzīvotāju fonda līdzekļus

Friday, 3 July, 2020 - 09:00

Aizmāršīgo lasītāju diena visās Jelgavas pilsētas bibliotēkās

Friday, 3 July, 2020 - 12:30

Közösségépítés és kapcsolattartás az online térben



Participatory Video empowers!

view all events

Latest blog posts

02/07/2020

Ghosting in the job market

02/07/2020

The two birds and a new stone meeting language and skills development needs of refugees

02/07/2020

Ivana Hrpalo, a Community Story from Croatia

01/07/2020



WHY was there a need?

03/06/2020 by Ramon Mangion Language: EN

MCAST has identified the increasing need for teachers in Vocational Education and Training (VET) who can provide students with the necessary knowledge, skills and attitudes. This need is evident in particular vocational strands like health and social care, hairdressing and beauty, engineering, agribusiness, retail, media and fashion, which are also taught in secondary schools.

WHO is it intended for?

There are many heroes in society, among which teachers who make a difference in students' life by teaching vocational subjects in a hands on way and with a direct link to industry. Teaching is truly a vocation. Therefore, if you feel that you love a particular VET subject as those mentioned above, believe to have the skills of helping others progress in their learning, but above all have the right attitudes of a person-centred approach, please give this course due consideration.

HOW is it different?

MCAST has built on its extensive experience in VET and the close relationship with industry related to these fields, to launch the three-year full time Bachelors Degree which focuses on Vocational Education and Training in the light of the 4th Industrial Revolution (BVET4.0). This forward-looking qualification equips participants with real practical industry competences. Therefore, BVET4.0 graduates will be able to work as warranted teachers in compulsory education, other VET institutions as well as mentor students in work-place settings.

WHERE is it offered?

It is offered at MCAST through the Centre for Professional Development. It is a offered in a blended learning approach. This means that besides personal presence in a physical classroom space, learning will also happen online as well as through research and self-study.



Tools and Portals

Tools And Portals -

Resource Centre Partner Search Case studies Nordic Portal EPALE Useful links Help

Resource Centre

 The Resource Centre provides thousands (4688, at the time of writing) of free resources based on the themes discussed above

 You can also propose new resources and upload accordingly





View all resources

Using Time Wisely during the COVID-19 Crisis: Personal Development Planning & Online Learning Opportunities

Language: EN



Posted by Ramon Mangion

The #EPALE webinar was facilitated by Mr Ramon Mangion on 13 May 2020 as part of the #EPALE webinar series from 11 - 15 May 2020.

Resource Link(s):	Using Time Wisely during the COVID-19 Crisis: Personal Development Planning & Online Learning Opportunities @ Ramon Mangion		
Resource Author(s):			
Publication Date:	Tuesday, 19 May, 2020		
Language of the document:	English		
Copyright Status:	Exclusive rights		
Type of resource:	resource: Opportunities and Resources		
Country:	Malta		





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Online Healthcare Assistants Course

Language: EN



Posted by Ramon Mangion

This course

Resource Link(s):	Healthcare Assistants Course			
Resource Author(s):	Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology Brainshuttle			
	SGM Solutions gmbh			
	Universidad De La Laguna (ULL)			
Publication Date:	Tuesday, 11 June, 2019			
Language of the document:	English			
Copyright Status:	Free			
Type of resource:	Open Educational Resources			
Country:	Malta			



Resource Case Example-ESF2.63 Project

Financial Literacy Accredited Course at MCAST					
Language: EN					
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Posted by Mahira Spiteri					
	s Rights and Social Solidarity in collaboration with the Malta College of Arts, Science and Technology shall be al Literacy at MQF Award level 3 to those working with disadvantaged groups.				
Resource Link(s):	circular financial literacy award.pdf@				
Resource Author(s):	MCAST The Ministry for the Family, Children's Rights and Social Solidarity				
Publication Date:	Tuesday, 3 July, 2018				
Language of the document:	English				
Copyright Status:	No cost. Freely available to download.				
Type of resource:	Articles				

- Chosen programme developers and lectures were informed about EPALE's Financial Literacy Theme
 - Used for lecture resources

Video Testimonial-Financial Literacy Programme



Partner Search

- This is a useful facility for anyone working in EU projects or seeking partners for various activities
 - Application for EU funding
 - Exchange of ideas/best practice
 - Job Shadowing
 - Virtual Project
 - Discussing Ideas
- Can be useful for schools, adult education centres, training providers, local councils, etc...



Study visit in Istambul Turkey

Post by: Maja Radinovič ...

Publication date: 24/06/2020

GROUP STUDY VISIT HOST INSTITUTION SEARCH

Združenje izobraževalnih in svetovalnih središče Slovenije (ZISS) is a voluntary, non-governmental and non-profit association of public adult education organizations in Slovenia, founded to pursue common interests and needs of...

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INTERESTED IN PARTNERSHIP UNDER E+ CALL (Entrepreneurship Institute)

Post by: Vaidotas Levickis

Publication date: 01/06/2021

We are looking to join or build a consortium under ERASMUS+ call.

ENTRI – is a non-profit association, based in Vilnius, Lithuania. Association has a vast network of business mentors all across the country. ENTRI's mission is to develop and promote entrepreneurship skills across all age and...

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We would like to be your Erasmus+ partner

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Post by: Melis Türker

Publication date: 16/06/2020

WE WANT TO COLLABORATE FOR INNOVATIVE BUSINESS FORMS, MUTUAL LEARNING AND VALUE GENERATION THROUGH...

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Looking for Partners for Erasmus + KA205: European network on awareness creation for youth on social distancing in every day life.

Post by: Triada Servou

Publication date: 09/06/2020

In these times that cities are overpopulated and diseases seem to have a larger impact on the vulnerable older population, young individuals underestimate the importance of social distancing and self control measuring. As a result, young people are the center of transmitting procedure that...



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Case Studies

- This section can help you to find good practice examples and case studies from adult learning projects around Europe.
- You can use EPALE to get inspiration and learn more about how different adult learning projects were implemented.



Case Study

Coronavirus (COVID-19)- guidance for providers and students

This Office for Students guidance webpage provides links to briefing notes, case studies, resources, and advice for both educators and students on the topic of COVID-19. Content on this page that may be of interest to adult learning professionals includes ...



Trends and perspectives for continuing education in the National Report on Education 2020

Reading time approximately 5 minutes- Read, like, comment! This article has originally been published in German by Jonathan Kohl and Ina Rüber. The latest edition of the German national report on education "Education in Germany 2020" was introduced at a ...



Good Practice

Good Practice

09 Jun 2020

30 Jun 2020

29 Jun 2020

About Environmental Awareness in the Training World In Spite of the Crisis

This blog post was originally published in Estonian by Kadi Kass We are living in a special time. There is so much going on

EPALE Useful Links

• A number of links to key portals as recommended by EPALE. These are categorised as follows

- European Commission
- European policies related to adult learning
- Glossaries on adult learning





European Commission

Erasmus + Programme

The Erasmus+ programme aims to boost skills and employability, as well as modernising Education, Training, and Youth work. The seven year programme will have a budget of €14.7 billion; a 40% increase compared to current spending levels, reflecting the EU's commitment to investing in these areas. Erasmus+ will provide opportunities for over 4 million Europeans to study, train, gain work experience and volunteer abroad.

Erasmus+ Project Results Platform

The Erasmus+ Project Results Platform provides a comprehensive overview of projects funded under the Erasmus+ and its predecessor programmes. The platform gives access to project information (descriptions, funding, partners, results, contact information) and highlights best practice projects and success stories (i.e. projects that distinguished themselves in terms of policy relevance, communication potential, impact or design).

EAC

The Directorate General for Education and Culture (DG EAC) is the executive branch of the European Union responsible for policy on education, culture, youth, languages, and sport. DG EAC also supports these issues through a variety of projects and programmes, notably Creative Europe and Erasmus+.

EACEA

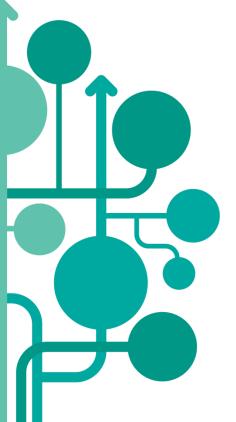
The Education, Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency (EACEA) is entrusted with the management of specific parts of the EU's funding programmes in the fields of education, culture, audiovisual, sport, citizenship and volunteering.

European Policies related to adult learning

Digital Agenda for Europe

Link to the Education subsection of the Digital Agenda for Europe. The Digital Agenda for Europe (DAE) aims to help Europe's citizens and businesses to get the most out of digital technologies. It is the first of seven flagships initiatives under Europe 2020, the EU's strategy to deliver smart sustainable and inclusive growth.





EPALE Themes

Various Pertinent Themes

Home About EPALE - EU Pol	licy Community Activities -	Tools And Portals -		Enter keywords Q
Learner Support Barriers to learning Immigrants Older persons Persons with disabilities Social inclusion Validation of prior learning	Learning Environments Community learning E-learning Learning in prisons Non-formal and informal learning Second chance schools Workplace learning	Life Skills Basic skills Career-long professional learning Cultural education Entrepreneurship and employability Financial literacy Health literacy Languages	Policy European policies projects and funding National policies and funding Research and evaluation best practices Regional policies	Quality Measuring impact Professional development of staff Provider accreditation Quality assurance Outreach and guidance Teaching methods

CREATE CONTENT



managers of SMEs.

TAGS:

Adult Education

Blog posts	News	Events	Discussions	Resources	Latest Discussions
Ę	BLOG 22 June 2020 By Giova Motivation and learning in As soon as Covid 19 began use of online platforms for d adifferent appearance, some	an Battista I the time of Covid 19 to take over the world, UN listance learning and a new	NTO quickly swept into action w chapter began. Teaching a lenging for all of us.	n and established the	Andrew McCoshan EPALE Community: Share your successful projects on workplace adult learning Welcome to this opportunity to share your experiences about adult learning at the workplace! More Mariadaniela Sfarra EPALE Community: Share your successful projects on workplace adult learning Il percorso di istruzione di 2° livello per adulti dell'ITS "Aterno-Manthoně" di Pescara
	BLOG 17 May 2020 By Andreia Monteiro				lavora per lo sviluppo di alcu More
G		ME's Growth and Innovat	ion through Learning at the an initiative supported		Kirsi KEKKI EPALE Community: Share your successful projects on

Audiovisual and Culture Executive Agency of the European Commission (call EACEA/36/2018)

foresees the development of tools & resources addressed to managers and human resources

Entrepreneurship

Workplace learning

Career-long professional learning

inity: Share your successful projects on workplace adult learning Unionlearn has been leading Mid-Life Skills Review project



Live Demonstration

https://epale.ec.europa.eu/en

Electronic Platform for Adult Learning in Europe

Discussion-Reflection Point- Contribute !!-Use Annotation Tool

Following this presentation and live demonstration. How do you think you can contribute to EPALE ?

Discussion-Reflection Point- Contribute !!-Use Annotation Tool

Following this presentation and live demonstration. Do you feel that your expectations were fulfilled ?



Contribute From teachers to policymakers

Share adult learning resources and events
Write articles on adult learning topics
Find partners for your adult learning project
Network and discuss ideas with your peers

EPALE has something for everyone working in the adult learning sector.

REGISTER