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Citizenship Learning in a Shifting Society

Module 2: EU Panorama - Good Practices



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**Good practice examples of
EU integrational processes
from the countries of our
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Portugal

- ★ **The National Strategy on Citizenship Education**
Introduced in all public and private schools. Citizenship education for all school-age people. It is not suitable for all communities, as shown by the example of children from Gypsy backgrounds, who often do not attend a school or leave it very early.
- ★ **The National Plan on Democratic Literacy**
It's being developed by the government with the aim of reaching young people. It aims to increase democratic literacy and participation among the younger generations. Its implementation hasn't yet started.



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Portugal

- ★ **Participatory Budget for Youth**
A democratic participation process in which citizens between 14 and 30 can present and decide on public investment projects.
- ★ **BEM COMUM**
It supports social and community projects developed by young people, giving them the tools to implement them.
- ★ **Mypolis**
An app that outlines the existing political and democratic proposals in the region where the participants live. It gives them the opportunity to vote for the ideas they support, present their own ideas, voice their concerns and talk to politicians.



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Austria

★ MORE

A program that gives access to public universities to young people with a refugee background. Universities are providing them some places in selected courses. Applicants also receive financial help with expenses for course materials. The program started in 2015/2016 and up to now, more than 3 500 students took advantage of this opportunity.

★ EDUKUNDO

A multi-language e-learning platform that provides free access to education-related information for parents whose mother tongue is not German. The platform offers information videos in 13 different languages on the topics of the education system, multilingual education, support and counselling services, funding, and digitalisation.



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Austria

★ Pass Egal Wahl

At the beginning of 2022, almost 1.6 million people living in Austria had no Austrian citizenship and no right to vote. For this reason, SOS Mitmensch launched the Pass Egal Wahl in 2013, which has since been used in all National Council elections and some provincial elections.

“Passport No matter Elections” are held before official election dates at the federal and provincial level and all persons of voting age who do not have Austrian citizenship or the right to vote can cast their vote. The votes are received by an election commission, to which official party representatives are invited, and counted by an election committee. The election results are then published.



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Cyprus

★ UNHCR Cyprus

The platform which supports employability of refugees.

HRW is an innovative and free web service aiming to connect job-seeking refugees with potential employers and organizations interested in providing job skills training opportunities.



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Cyprus

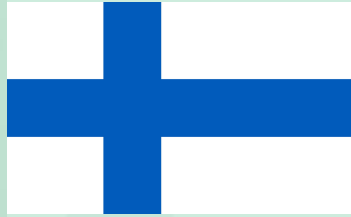
★ Actions for School and Social Inclusion- DRASE

The project is a good example of the use of resources from the Cohesion Policy Funds absorbed by the Republic of Cyprus. It is co-financed by the European Social Fund (85%) and the Republic of Cyprus (15%).

The main purpose of the DRASE program is to reduce the negative impact of the economic crisis on education and students and to address the acute problems and challenges that the Cypriot education system will have to face in the coming years. The objectives of the project are to support the population of Cyprus that falls below the poverty line, to support the economically weaker sections of the population and the socially excluded, to improve the learning outcomes of third-country nationals and to reduce delinquency in the school environment.



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Finland

★ Digital Partnership Platform

The Finnish Ministry of Economic Affairs and Employment presented a digital “partnership platform” for its Integration Partnership Programme as an important step towards developing a more active and cooperative network for integration programmes. The programme is based on an open dialogue that aims to challenge existing ways of thinking and produce new information, practises and processes that enable Finnish professionals from many fields to combine their knowledge.

The digital workspace for registered members provides a safe community space for online collaboration. The target groups are women, men, children, young people, elderly/pensioners, refugees and other people staying in Finland for humanitarian reasons, people with a disability and other immigrants.



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Finland

★ **ACCESS Self-Assessment Tool used to engage migrant youth**

ACCESS is a self-assessment tool for decision-makers and other youth workers. It is an online questionnaire that various organizations and municipalities can use to assess their practices and policies for engaging migrant youth.

The ACCESS Self-Assessment Tool invites users to look at the strengths and needs of their organizations and gives them an opportunity to learn about the best practices in engaging migrant youth (City of Helsinki 2015).



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Germany

★ ZEIK

The "**Centre for Empowerment and Intercultural Creativity**" emerged in 2014 from a group of volunteer pilots for refugees. Its strength is that it was initiated directly by members of the target group. However, this project is not possible without extensive funding from institutional and private sponsors.

It includes a course designed to teach migrant women initial skills in using computers to enable them to do practical tasks and cope with everyday digital life, but also, on the other hand, to teach them skills in critical media use. The project is successful because it starts with members of the target group, is linked to solutions for coping with everyday life, and receives institutional support, which it a certain durability.



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Germany

★ ZBBS e V

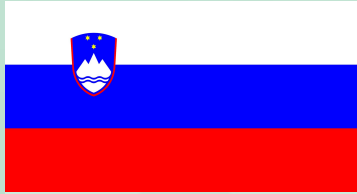
A good example of a partnership is the **cooperation of the ZBBS association with the initiative "Partnership for Democracy"**.

The ZBBS is the first point of contact for migrants in Kiel and offers support in various areas. Based on its practical help with the challenges of daily life in a foreign country, the ZBBS cooperates, for example, with the "Partnership for Democracy", which encourages and promotes projects that serve cultural and social participation.

These partnerships are formed nationwide in Germany and are funded from the federal budget. The networking includes a large number of initiatives through the targeted promotion of external partners. One example is the sewing workshop "Zauberwerk".



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Slovenia

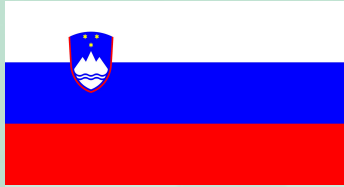
★ Holistic approach for successful integration of migrants

The aim of the project is to develop and establish a holistic approach to the successful integration of migrants that will enable professionals from different sectors of education, social and health care, employment, and other fields to receive specific and professional training to work with migrants.

It will also enable standardized verification of the qualifications of professionals working with migrants, establish the basic starting points for the creation of new national professional competencies "coordinator/consultant in work with migrants", unify the practice of working with migrants and create the possibility for the participation of experts from different fields in the framework of coordination networks for work with migrants.



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Slovenia

- ★ **Slovene Philanthropy**, Association for Promotion of Volunteering, is a humanitarian organization working in the public interest since 1992. Their programmes are aimed towards raising the quality of living in the community and advocating for the vulnerable groups in society.

Their vision is an open, just and solidary society that, through the partnership and cooperation of public institutions, the economic sector and voluntary activities of citizens, offers a stimulating environment to all – even those who are, because of any circumstance, unable to provide quality of life for themselves and their families.



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