



LOG IN

Laboratories in schools to prevent gender-based violence

The overall objective of the project is to prevent and combat gender-based violence by promoting, among teen-agers, responsible behaviors in their use of social networks and new media.

Specific objectives are as follows:

- to study the role of social networks, new media, chat, etc. in the daily lives of adolescents and how relationships between boys and girls develop through them;
- to prevent possible negative behaviors and violence on the part of young people in the use of social networks and new media;
- to make young people aware of the problem of gender-based violence and the role that new technologies and social networks can play in fostering and amplifying the spread of gender stereotypes;
- to inform young people and adults on legal aspects relating to the publication of information, pictures and data in social networks, promoting a correct and lawful use of these new means of communication;
- to propose to youths patterns of relationships between the sexes based on mutual respect;
- to design and test, through pilot projects, a methodology able to involve young people in peer education activities, using social networks and new media for the promotion of the values of gender equality;
- to design and test, through pilot projects, a methodology able to make adults aware of the positive and negative uses of social networks and new media by young people;
- to propose positive ways to use new technologies, demonstrating to teen-agers that social networks and new media can be exploited for communication, learning, exchange of views, participation in the social and political life;
- to take advantage of social networks and new media for the production of positive messages not only in the private sphere, but also to launch communication campaigns aimed at combating gender-based violence;
- to disseminate proven methodologies, giving to other local, national and European organisations instruments to adapt and implement the experience LOG IN in other contexts.

The following are the main actions of the intervention:

- development of training packages (collection of good practices related to the main themes of the project, development of a training package addressed to young people and a training package addressed to adults, test on a small sample of 50 young people and 30 adults in Modena; adaptation of packages to local contexts of Nicosia, Vilnius and Sibiu).
- Realization of pilot actions of training and awareness-raising in Modena, Nicosia, Vilnius and Sibiu (12 hours of training for at least 250 young people and 6 hours of training for at least 400 adults per city; activation of peer education activities, both vis-à-vis and through social networks, in order to involve at least 750 other teenagers per city).

- Evaluation of the impact of pilot actions (with questionnaires ex-ante and ex-post).
- Communication activities and dissemination of results (web sites, guidelines, events, etc.).

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Link
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