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## Press release

### "FACIT: Fostering Active Citizenship Competencies" Long-term Teaching or Training Assignments Portugal:

31st May – 31st July 2022

#### Details about the meeting

- **Dates of the meeting:** 31<sup>st</sup> May – 31<sup>st</sup> July 2022
- **Where was held:** Porto, Portugal
- **Host organization:** Geoclube - Associação Juvenil
- **Whom attended:** Fattoria Pugliese Diffusa APS Italy; KAINOTOMIA (Greece), E-Juniors Association (France).
- **Aim of the meeting:** one educator/teacher/facilitator per partner to be involved in a 2 months Training Assignment on Active Citizenship with the topic of Active Citizenship. The 4 foreign trainers (from FPD, Kainotomia, Integra and E-Juniors) will work together with the Geoclube trainers; each of them will lead a training session in his/her own sector (Ecological Citizenship, Economical Citizenship, EU Citizenship, Global Citizenship and Digital Citizenship), focusing on the learning achievements in terms of Active Citizenship competences.
- **The agenda (short description) and the speakers/facilitators of the meeting:**

The first week of the mobility (31<sup>st</sup> May until 5<sup>th</sup> of June) started with the arrival of the participants in Porto and a meeting in the Geoclube's office located in Rio Tinto, Gondomar, Portugal. We started with a brief introduction of the project and the proposed agenda for the next two months. We also prepare the virtual support and logistics for the future workshops with the topic of Active Citizenship. During this week, Geoclube did the honors and gave a workshop on Ecology, one of the essential areas in which everybody can be an active citizens, at Escola Secundaria De Aguas Santas. Some of the participants' green habits were identified,



mainly through the Footprint Calculator, an online tool that allows to understand what is the environmental impact of each one of on the environment. Next, through the "Corner Game", we encouraged discussion among the participants about the major environmental issues facing the community and who is causing them or who might be able to solve them. We also shared a series of statistics about the environment and practical sustainability tips with the participants. PowerPoint presentations, digital applications, games and non-format education activities were used.



On the second week of the mobility ( 6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> of June), KAINOTOMIA prepared and organized a workshop on the concept of “economic citizenship”. The workshop also took place in the Águas Santas Secondary School, where high school students had the opportunity to familiarize themselves with the economic aspect of active citizenship, a concept that the FACIT project promotes. During the workshop, the economic citizenship and its aspects were presented to the students, followed by an introductory discussion about it. Then, the students engaged more actively in the workshop through their participation in its activities which were based on the team-oriented cooperative learning method. These activities required the students to collaborate in order to follow a “journey” of acquiring citizenship by investment in touristic properties in Portugal through a series of team choices such as the name and the origin of



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their team, the region of  
enterprise will be located and



Portugal where their  
the type of enterprise that

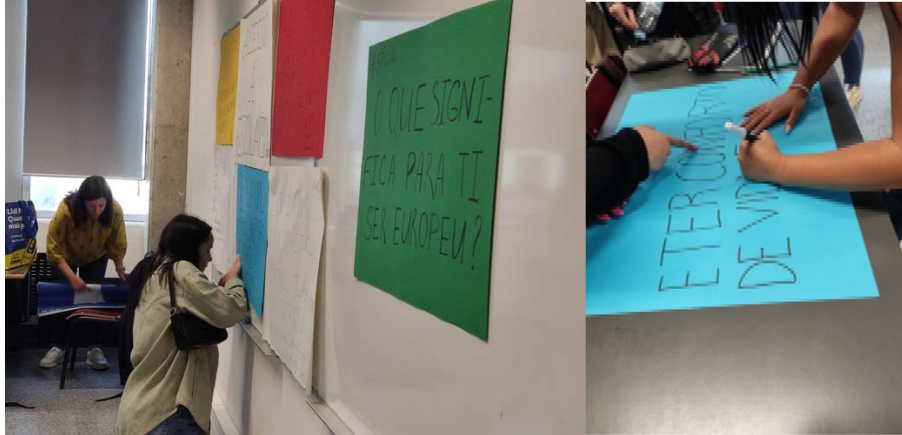
they will establish. The students also collaborated in presenting their enterprise, analyzing their prospects and challenges, performing a SWOT analysis, and, finally, participating in a scenario that was utilized to demonstrate to them the value of being responsible as an economic citizen.



During the third week of the mobility ( 13<sup>th</sup> of June-19<sup>th</sup> of June), FATTORIA PUGLIESE DIFFUSA developed several activities at Águas Santas Secondary School related in to EP GOAL "European Goes Local" Trainership: How to organize a Street Debate- European Citizenship. The project saw the involvement of high school students who learned how to conduct "street debates". In the first two days of activity the students carried out training activities, learning the principles and understanding what are the steps to organize a profitable debate. In the previous days, since June 7 was the "Nationality day", the main question was installed inside the school and each student was able to reflect, discuss with his classmates and express his idea on the concept of European nationality writing on the billboard and hung it in the set up area.



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In the fourth week of the mobility (20-26<sup>th</sup> of June), the E-Juniors partner organised a workshop with high-school students of the Águas Santas Secondary School on Digital Citizenship. The participants discussed the definition of Digital Citizenship, how to be a good digital citizen and the main rules to become one. The students participated in a quiz on these matters organised via Quizizz and demonstrated overall very high awareness skills on Digital Citizenship. In an informal and very open manner, the students together with FACIT partners talked about cyberbullying, the privacy issues, the social networks used nowadays and the digital footprint. At the end, the students asked numerous personal and topic-related questions and thanked each other for participation!





During the next four weeks (between 27<sup>th</sup> of June and 31<sup>st</sup> of July), the four youth workers (Geoclube, E-juniors, FATTORIA PUGLIESE DIFFUSA and KAINOTOMIA) meet daily at Geoclube office (Rio Tinto, Gondomar) to gather resources and methodologies for the draft of the Facit Toolkit. This Toolkit presents a new methodological approach that can be usable in every context and sector taking into account all the 5 declinations of Active Citizenship. Thanks to this new approach, in every Training course or educational path, it will be possible to ensure the full acquisition of Active Citizenship competences, regardless of the sector. It will allow to educate adults to environment protection, by also introducing them to the economic impact of pollution, to the rights and duties of being EU Citizens, to the existing tools to have a say at EU level and to the basic ICT competences to use them online.





During all working days of the mobility, our international youth workers had the opportunity to learn Portuguese at Aguas Santas High School.



On the last day, July 31<sup>st</sup>, we discussed some logistical issues related to the project, namely the next steps of the Facit Toolkit and the meeting that will take place in Italy. We also made an evaluation of the mobility and exchanged feedbacks.

- **What was discussed during the mobility and taken decisions:**

- workshops in 4 fields of Active Citizenship (Ecological Citizenship, Economical Citizenship, EU Citizenship and Digital Citizenship);
- Portuguese language-classes
- draft of Facit Toolkit;
- Evaluation of the mobility.