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On Friday, March 22, between 13:00 - 16:15, Koç University Social Impact Forum (KUSIF) will hold *"PodEtki Meeting"* at Koç University Rumelifeneri Campus Founders' Hall.

The "Podcasting-Based Social Impact Learning Environment" project, co-financed by the European Union Erasmus+ Program, is led by **Stories for Impact (Estonia)** in the field of social impact, in partnership with **Koç University Social Impact Forum**, **Geri Norai (Lithuania)**, and the **Latvia Social Entrepreneurship Association (Latvia)**.

Within the project's scope, through podcasts and other resources produced, project partners aim to inspire professionals and young people on social and environmental impact topics and strengthen their capacity.

At the project's closing event, young people and adults interested in producing and learning about social impact-focused podcasts, as well as listeners, are coming together at the *"PodEtki Meeting"* to share their experiences.

Event partners contributing to the PodEtki Meeting are as follow: "Diyalog Müzesi ve Karanlıkta Diyalog", "Esmiyor", "Foodback", "Nadirin Podcasti", "Onarım Atölyesi", "Öğretmen Ağı", "Peki Ne Kattın?", "Sivil Toplum Konuşuyor" and "Sürdürülebilir Yaşam Okulu".

PODETKI MEETING

Social impact-based podcast producers
and listeners are coming together!

22.03.2024
Koç University Rumelifeneri Campus
Founders' Hall
13:00 - 16:15





SKILLFOSTER: PM IN SOFIA

Work Package 1 Workshop and Partners Meeting of the *Heritage Matters: Fostering Cultural Awareness and Professional Development* (SkillFoster, KA220 - HED) took place in Sofia, Bulgaria in November. The project introduces innovation to CH teaching; contributes to the professional development of young specialists; fosters collaboration in HE; deepens the understanding of why CH is crucial to building European values and civic engagement; and promotes cultural awareness. We aim to: produce an overview of professional development systems; propose recommendations on CH professional development for policymakers; develop digital training resources; identify relevant competencies and improve digital skills.

The project partners are as follow: Erasmus University Rotterdam (NL), Sofia Kliment Ohridski University (BG), DDL - Delft Digital Learning (NL) and National Training Center (BG - coordinator).



PBL4TEA: INTERNATIONAL TEACHER TRAINING WORKSHOP



Members of the KOLT, Dr. Zuhâl Zeybekođlu and Dr. Ferah Özer, recently conducted an international teacher training workshop on “*Digital Enhancement of Active Learning in Higher Education*” which was held in Porto, Portugal at the Universidade Cat3lica Portuguesa between February 14-16, 2024, under the scope of the PBL4TEA - PBL framework for Digital Collaborative Teacher Training Erasmus+ KA 220 HED project in which Koç University Office of Learning and Teaching is a partner.

For 3-day training, more than 70 Portuguese and Lithuanian faculty members from diverse backgrounds and disciplines engaged in collaborative hands-on workshops, used various digital tools, learned best practices through lively exchanges of ideas, gained fresh perspectives and valuable insights on active learning principles and digitally enhanced learning and teaching. For more information, visit the [project's website](#) at this link.



MS-PCC: FINAL MEETING IN ISTANBUL



On February 15 - 16, the project partners prepared a new KA220 - HED application to further this partnership. Asst. Prof. **Matthew Harpster** (*Department of Archaeology and History of Art College of Social Sciences and Humanities*) led the meeting as the coordinator and the representatives of the Universities of Oldenburg (Germany) and Copenhagen (Denmark), Edinburg (UK), the State Archaeology Department of Schleswig-Holstein (Germany), and the Ocean Decade Heritage Network (Denmark) were present. You can visit the project website: <https://mspcc.ku.edu.tr/> for more information.



DISINFO ACADEMY: PM IN SOFIA

On 16 - 17 February, “Disinfo Academy for HE Students” (KA220-HED) project’s Partner Meeting and Workshop took place in Bulgaria. After introductory presentations, WP2 activities were planned and the structure of the dissemination plan was presented and discussed.

National Training Center (the coordinator Bulgaria), Sofia University St. Kliment Ohridski (Bulgaria), and University of Sarajevo (Bosnia-Herzegovina), and Asociatia Eurocomunicare (Romania) are the project partners.

Prof. Zeynep Cemalcılar of the College of Social Sciences and Humanities attended the meeting.





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**LAST CONFERENCE OF THE YEAR:
THE 2023 UNIC "KICK OFF" CONFERENCE AT ŁÓDŹ!**

The University of Łódź hosted the 2023 UNIC Conference between 4-5 December 2023, the first after the start of our new phase! Packed to the brim with discussions, workshops, sharing sessions and plenaries – the UNIC community made significant strides towards our **Joint Vision 2040**, deliberating on upcoming pillars of the UNIC experience like the Virtual Campus, Centre for City Futures, and the UNIC Thematic Lines.

The Conference organized by the UNIC team at the University of Łódź and brought together students, academics, project management teams through different sessions, workshops, discussions and social events.

Please click here to [Relive the Conference](#).





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REDESIGNING THE POST-INDUSTRIAL CITY (RePIC)
STUDENTS AT KU**

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For more information about the programs, please visit:

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We're always open to new project ideas and partnerships. If you're a KU affiliate with an idea for a project, please reach out to us at oyozer@ku.edu.tr.

If you're interested in becoming a project partner with KU, please fill out the [project partner form](#).



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