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# ACCESS UP - PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

# 4th Transnational meeting

ACCESS\_UP project partners gathered on October 26 and 27, 2023 in Uppsala, Sweden for the 4th transnational meeting. The following activities were presented during the TPM:

- Presentation of the web-app for dynamic dropout risk assessment by IL MIO LAVORO. The descriptors of protective factors, that intersect with risk factors, which allow to assess a student's level of probability of early dropout, were explained. After the presentation, a web-app simulation workshop was conducted: each meeting participant was presented with a hypothetical case of a student showing risk and protective factors and related intervention strategies.
- Workshop on the digital educational game, under the guidance of Psientifica Partners: Partners tested the demo version of the game.
- Presentation by the Swedish partner, Folkuniversitetet, of the updated version of the Quality Assurance System for strategies to combat school dropout. The Quick Scan, used by students, teachers, parents and stakeholders, is a tool for self-assessment of the policies that schools implement to prevent and combat school dropout.



## **Pilot Test**

The purpose of the Pilot Test is to test the results of the 4 products developed by the project.



After adequately training all the teachers involved in November/December, the pilot test will begin in January 2024 and end in June of the same year.

At least 6 sample classes (50 pupils minimum) from each partner country have been chosen for the testing.

#### **PR1: PLAYBOOK FOR HOME VISTING**

15 high school teachers from each project partner country were trained to identify and work with as many disadvantaged families.

The chosen teachers were able to examine the manual in detail, identifying the activities they felt would be most effective in engaging those families who are normally not very involved in their children's schooling, in order to work together to achieve their children's academic success.



#### **PR3: THE WEB-APP**

In the Partner countries, the teachers of all experimental classes will be trained in the use of the risk assessment web-app. By constantly updating data on each student in the sample classes, teachers will be able to understand where intervention is needed. Among the various functions of the web-app, the colored bar that indicates for each student the intersection of risk and protective factors and the student's level of probability of dropping out, definitely stands out.

## **5th Transnational meeting**

The next meeting will take place in Giulianova, Italy on May 23rd and 24th, 2024 and will be hosted by I.I.S. Crocetti - Cerulli. The central focus will be the discussion among the various partners on the results of the pilot test.

In June, a multiplier event will be organized in each Partner country with the aim of disseminating to stakeholders what has been done concretely with the project and which are the results of the pilot test.



#### Partners involved in the project

- 📕 Ilmiolavoro srl (Italy)
- Scholastic Inspectorate Judetean Dambovita (Romania)
- Psientifica Associação para a promoção e desenvolvimento social (Portugal)
- Folkuniversitetet (Sweden)

- IIS Crocetti-Cerulli (Italy)
- Municipality of Agueda (Portugal)
- Parents Association Cantacuzini Targoviste (Romania)



