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facilitators of virtual learning

FAVILLE Newsletter #1



Welcome to FAVILLE!

FAVILLE aims to enhance the quality standards of facilitation in virtual learning environments and to provide skills and competences that facilitators of virtual learning need to develop or improve their activity.

The project aims to intervene in a constantly growing virtual learning industry, in which, despite the increasing amount of offer of different learning programmes– even free of charge – there is still a lack of qualified facilitators of the learning process, using new educational technologies.

The aim of the project will be achieved by creating three main project outputs: e-learning course for virtual learning facilitators, Digital App on facilitation techniques, and Framework for validation of skills and competences of virtual learning facilitators acquired through non-formal and informal learning, all to be pilot-tested once ready.



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Seven partners, five countries, one project.



FAVILLE's partnership consists of seven partners from five different countries including universities, NGO's, SME's and research centres.

ASTRA – Association for Development and Innovation is a non-governmental, non-political and voluntary association established in 1998. Astra provides lifelong learning, support research and development capacities and build relationships between non-profit, academic and commercial spheres.

DIE - The German Institute for Adult Education Leibniz Centre for Lifelong Learning is a publicly funded research and service institute in the field of lifelong learning and adult education.

ENTRE is an independent expert organization working to support and promote a systemic approach to innovative and sustainable development of regions, cities and municipalities.

HOU - Hellenic Open University is a Public University founded by the Greek Government in 1992 and fully operational since 1997. Its prime mission is to offer university level education using distance learning methodology and to develop the appropriate material and teaching methods.

HT is an Italian SME located in Sicily. Since 2004 its core business is mobile & web applications development, system integration and it is particularly focused on e-learning methodologies.

IDEC is a training consulting company located in Piraeus, Greece. Its activities consist of training, management consulting, quality assurance, evaluation and development of ICT solutions for both private and public sector.

Established in 1988, Universidade Aberta (**UAb**) is the only public higher education institution in Portugal for Open and Distance Learning.

FAVILLE's first project meeting in Kosice, Slovakia



FAVILLE kick off meeting off was held in Kosice, Slovakia. The meeting took place between 21–22 October 2019 and was held by ASTRA, FAVILLE's project coordinator partner.

The meeting lasted 2 days and several topics were covered ranging from project management, deadlines, roles and responsibilities for all relevant activities were.

FAVILLE Results

Desk research and expert interviews

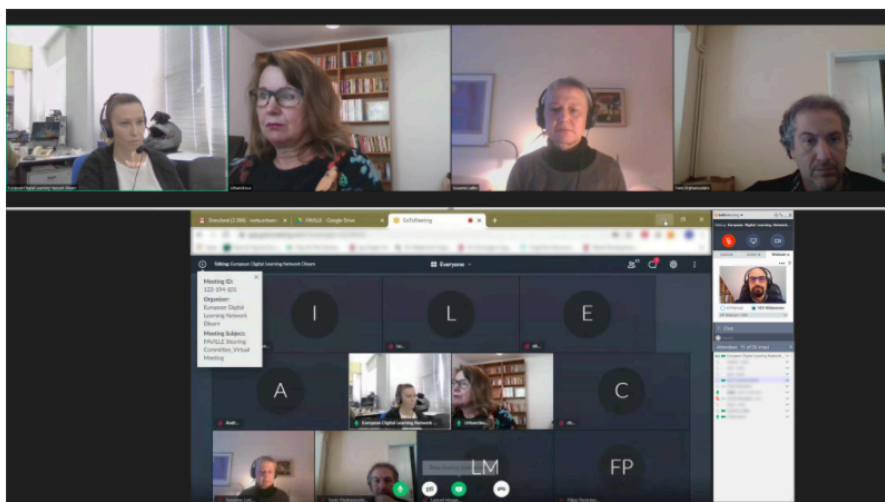
As part of the Intellectual Output 1 of FAVILLE's project, a desk research was developed aimed to provide an overview on existing information regarding e-learning facilitators and their training needs in the partner countries.

Some of the aspects considered were:

- Facilitation of virtual/e-learning is considered as a highly relevant task in all partner countries, It is however not always considered as a full occupational profile but is often linked to the duties of teachers.

- The use of elearning is quite common mainly in higher education and vocational training, it is less established in the liberal or community-based adult learning sector.
- Many of those working in elearning are self-taught, there are no professional standards for that area in the partner countries and formal regulations are lacking so far. Apart from a number of comprehensive high-cost training courses, training provision on virtual learning facilitation is patchy, and many facilitators of virtual learning lack appropriate skills

FAVILLE's second project meeting



FAVILLE's second partners meeting was planned to happen in Portugal. Due to the evolution of the pandemic caused by COVID-19, the meeting was replaced by 2 calls held on March 12 & March 26. with the participation of all partners.

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