

Report on the visit to “Cahit Zarifoglu Anadolu Imam Hatip Lisesi” in Istanbul, Turkey, 4-9 November 2018

BEFORE THE VISIT

During the first year of the Erasmus+ K229 European Program entitled "OPEN MINDED GENERATION", project code: 2018-1-EL01-KA229-047897, six teachers from our school visited the partner school in Turkey.

Before the visit, many issues were discussed among all teachers such as the aims and aspirations of the program, the benefits they would derive from their participation in the program, as well as their obligations and the difficulties they might encounter during the visit. There was also a brief presentation of the program and some practical issues were discussed. It was necessary to inform the consulate about the teachers' accommodation in Istanbul and to make life insurance from a private company for the duration of their stay there.

The responsibility for organizing the visit and coordinating communication with the partner schools took over the coordinating school, the 1st EPAL OF DRAMA. The communication among the coordinators of each school was conducted mainly via e-mail and via Messenger.

DURING THE VISIT

The main purpose of the visit was to get acquainted with the coordinators and other teachers of the participating schools, and to plan the activities that will take place by the end of the program (April 2020), including the next meetings.

More specifically:

- Each school made a presentation on its profile, the region it is based and the group of teachers participating in the program.
- The project proposal was analyzed by the coordinating school.
- Stereotypes and discrimination were presented by the coordinating school.
- It was decided to create a website on each school website regarding the program.
- Each host country must prepare a guest guide for the guests.
- Photo and poster contests were decided to take place in e-twinning or Facebook and the students have to write poems which will be presented during the meeting in Romania.
- Videos and video diaries from all students' activities must be created by the students after each meeting.
- It was decided: to create puzzles with photos and crosswords with words related to the subject.
- To create an e-Twinning account.
- The corner of the program (Erasmus corner) will have to be enriched regularly in each school.
- A Facebook team was created for all teachers and students participating in the program.

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- A Gmail account was created in order all the coordinators can share files. The logo of the program to be used in all documents was also uploaded there.
- Let's share duties - common tasks for the tasks of each school.
- Details were discussed on the implementation of a research regarding the subject of the program in order to have an initial view of the students and teachers' knowledge. Portugal and Bulgaria will prepare the research/questionnaire until Nov. 20, while Romania will upload it on Google forms by the end of November. Teachers and students will complete it by December 10th, and Romania will analyze it and produce the results until December 20.
- The Risk Management plan was presented and analysed by the coordinating school, where as Portugal will have to prepare the Sustainability plan.
- Students will prepare posters, flyers or videos for the world days:
 1. November 20: World Day on the Rights of the Child
 2. 25 November: International Day to Eliminate Violence against Women
 3. December 3: World Day of People with Disabilities
 4. December 10: World Human Rights Day
 5. December 18: World Immigrant Day

A thematic unit was assigned in each school for which the school will be responsible to organize, collect and present the final results of the individual activities to be carried out in each school. More specifically, the issue of how stereotypes will be destroyed by schools was presented in Turkey, the general issue of stereotypes and discrimination will be presented in Bulgaria, gender and racial stereotypes in Romania, religious stereotypes in Portugal, and finally the issue of stereotypes and discrimination in school, in GREECE.

- The Mobility tool and the Google Drive were presented.
- EUROPASS mobility was presented by Bulgaria.
- All participants decided to complete a European Health Card before travelling to a foreign country.
- Financial management was discussed.
- A questionnaire was completed to evaluate the meeting.
- The dates for the next project meetings in Bulgaria (3-9 February 2019), Romania (May 2019), in Portugal (November 2019) and Greece (April 2020) were agreed.
- The website of the program created by the Greek team was presented and will be filled in with the partners' info.
- Regular communication was decided among the teachers and the students involved in the participating schools.

During our stay, colleagues from the school that hosted us welcomed us warmly and guided us at the school's premises. The meetings took place at school. The help we had received from the managers of Erasmus+ projects in Thessaloniki a few days before the trip was extremely important because it helped us understand the planning and organization of the program. Cultural sights were also visited in the



centre of Istanbul, according to the priorities of the program "Social and educational value of European cultural heritage".

AFTER THE VISIT

On our return to Greece there was an internal programming session regarding the materialization of the agreed actions, the teachers of the school were informed, whereas the material gathered from the visit will be published on the school website and the local press.

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