

Enhancing Access and Uptake of Education to Reverse Inequalities

The Inclusion4Schools Project

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The European Challenge

- Inequalities rising in Europe
- Growing inequality is a threat
- Social disadvantages => trail behind in access and uptake of education
- Reverse inequalities to enhance economic growth, democracy and equal opportunities for future generations

People at risk of poverty or social exclusion in the EU Member States
(% of total population, 2021)



* Estimates, ** Provisional

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EU intervention opportunities – H2020 as a tool

Three projects

Research & Innovation
Actions



12 partners from 8 countries

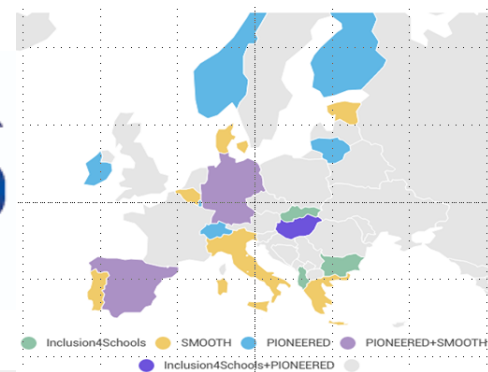


13 partners from 9 countries

Coordination & Support
Action



6 partners from 4 countries



The Inclusion4Schools Consortium



1. John Wesley Theological College
2. Regional Centre for Information and Scientific Development
3. C.E.G.A. Foundation
4. J. Selye University
5. Oltalom Charity Society
6. Albanian National Orphans Association

Hungary

Hungary

Bulgaria

Slovakia

Hungary

Albania

Project duration: 48M; November 2020 – October 2024

4 countries
& beyond

SCHOOL-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP FOR REVERSING INEQUALITY AND EXCLUSION: TRANSFORMATIVE PRACTISES OF SEGREGATED SCHOOLS

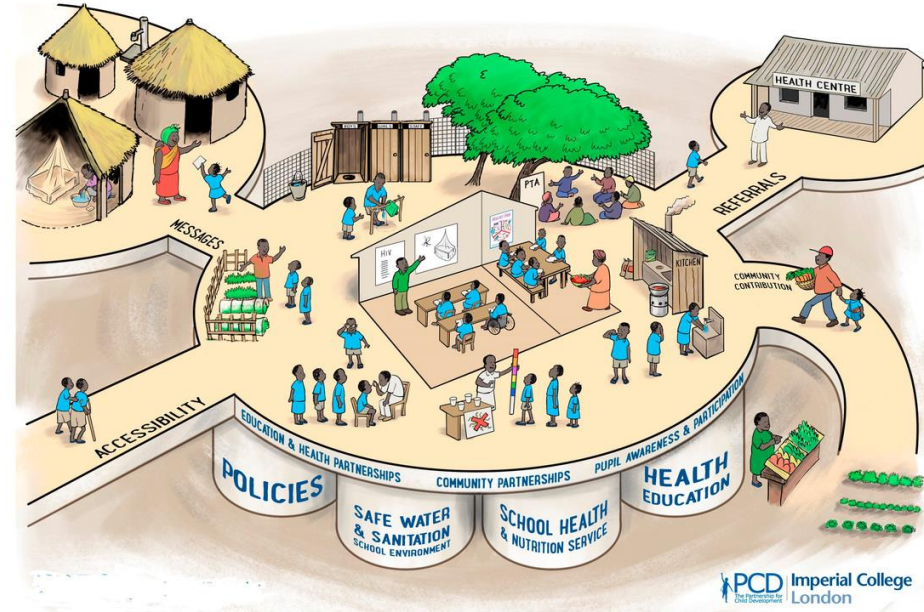
Mission of the INCLUSION4SCHOOLS Project

- To identify and to narrow down social inequalities
- **Community building**
- Strengthen social integrity and solidarity
- Enhancement of inclusive pedagogy in public education
- Support to segregated institutions
- To break down the walls of exclusion
- **Enhancing the cooperation of researchers, developers, educators and other educational actors, but also between students, parents & teachers**
- Coordinate the pioneering activities of disadvantaged schools and their communities
- **To interact with the two parallel running RIA projects to enhance synergies and cooperation between them and amongst the relevant stakeholders**
- **To generate networks for research and policy development**

To achieve these objectives, we offer professional services like knowledge sharing platforms, evaluation and dissemination of “good practices”

Challenges of the Project

- Three levels:
 1. Project
 2. External partners
 3. Global
- Put European citizens into the focus
- Language of the clients
- Flexible adaptations
- Pandemic crises



I4S Goals and Activities

- **Goals:**

- Promote educational inclusion
- Create culture of dialogue
- Transform unjust structures through education

- **Activities:**

- Research
- Create spaces of dialogue (think-tanks, knowledge-sharing platform, networking events)
- Awareness raising
- Dissemination of transformative knowledge and praxis

INCLUSION4SCHOOLS Work Packages

1. Mapping, Analysis & Evaluation

- Policy mix peer review over transformative practices
- Mapping and impact analysis among the main stakeholders
- **First meeting and collaboration with ongoing RIA projects**

Set cooperation

2. Proposals for EU Research Standards

- **Coordination of debates on accessibility of relevant data**
- Preparing recommendations for national data services
- Supporting public discussion over the proposals

Think-tank workshops

3. Support for Community-centred Approaches

- Support for community building actions
- Establishing school-community networks
- Support for school-university partnership

4. Evaluation & Exchange of Transformative Practices

- Supporting professional self-evaluation at segregated schools
- Exchange of transformative community-centred practices
- Evaluation and development of teacher education curricula
- **Clustering with existing programmes & initiatives**

Awareness raising events

5. Developing the R&I Methodology

- Promoting intersectional, comparative and multidisciplinary approaches
- **Collaboration with ongoing RIA projects**

Conferences, methodology
Channel, 120 events

6. Communication & Dissemination

7. Project management

8. Ethics requirements

I4S Events

Type of the Event	No.	Participants
CSA steering committee meetings	4	the Consortium partners of the project
Meetings with the ongoing RIAs	2	representatives of the three projects funded by H2020
Project Methodology & Monitoring Workshops	2	the Consortium partners of the project
Awareness Raising Events	10	representatives of other projects and initiatives on the object
Events of the cross-sectorial think tanks	12	representatives of independent sociological, educational and statistical research institutes and associations, major higher education institutions, local and national authorities, and anti-segregation NGOs
Community Building Events	15	representatives of municipal authorities, Roma organisations, civil rights movements, actor representing the state, local authorities, welfare institutions, public health and social care representatives, churches, schools, academic associations, research institutes, community media and the general public
“Open School” Classes	25	students, parents, teachers, pedagogical assistants, social workers, social educators, psychologists, non-profit and for-profit organizations, representatives of municipal authorities
Online Focus-group Discussions	10	representatives of segregated schools and communities, and of teacher education centres and institutes
Virtual Seminars	25	students, teachers, school managers, researchers of educational sciences
Summer/Winter Schools	10	teachers, school managers, pedagogical assistants, social workers, social educators, psychologists, representatives of teacher training centres and institutes
Online Methodological Workshops	2	representatives of the three projects funded by H2020 and other invited representatives of educational research and administration
International Conferences (with live broadcasting)	3	representatives of the three projects funded by H2020 and other research groups interested in the topic

Achievements so far

- 6+1 awareness raising events organised
- 124 schools contacted (mostly segregated schools)
- **Knowledge Sharing Platform** (will be available in all EU languages)
- Policy briefs
- Social Impact Analysis
- 10 Think Tank events organised
- Focus-group Discussions
- Community Building Workshop, training for teachers
- “Open school” classes for adults and community discussion events on educational issues
- More than 141 projects, NGOs, were connected
- First I4S international conference last November
Save the date; next **conference 28-29 November**
- All our achievements are available on the website





Thank you for your attention!

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