

**Name of the project:****Beyond Stereotypes: Discovering the True Faces of Cultures**

The project brings together students from different cultures to analyze and challenge stereotypes in cross-cultural communication. Students will exchange their perceptions of each other's cultures through anonymous surveys, compare findings and identify common misconceptions. Thus, they will hone their soft skills (empathy, critical thinking, cross-cultural communication, digital literacy, creativity)

Aims of the project

Bring together students from different cultures, analyze, and challenge stereotypes in cross-cultural communication.

Expected Results

1. Increased skills of students' critical thinking through analysis and deconstruction of stereotypes.
2. Improvement of intercultural communication competence and openness to cultural diversity.
3. Enhancement of students' English language proficiency via collaborative international activities.
4. Digital outputs (videos, infographics, stories) showcasing authentic cultural perspectives.
5. Strengthening of teachers' digital and methodological skills in intercultural education.

Members and founders

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Additional Information

Members: 5 groups

Membership: Ukraine(2), North Macedonia(2), Austria(1), Türkiye(1)

Age range: 18 - 20+

Subjects of teaching: Citizenship; Ethics; Foreign Languages; Social Studies / Sociology

Key competences: Citizenship; Digital Literacy; Personal, social and learning to learn

Duration: 4 months (2025)

Project type: International

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