

THE JOURNEY SO FAR!

The project team successfully held group discussions and remote interviews in 5 Partner countries across Europe despite the Covid-19 Pandemic.



Building Network

Real Friends Support deeper integration.



Stereotypes

Understand diverse social and ethnic backgrounds to avoid stereotypes.



Non Verbal Communication

Clarify non-verbal cues to avoid misinterpretation

A SUCCESSFUL FIELD RESEARCH

During the first stage of the project, the 5 different project partners from Sweden, Romania, Spain, Germany and Austria shared a questionnaire among the target group which sought to discover which topics are thought to be important for improving language and culture classes in a way that will foster social inclusion of migrants and refugees. The result is a discovery of relevant

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HUMOUR

Understanding what is termed funny in other cultures eliminates communication conflict

2

TABOO LANGUAGE

Identify topics that can be talked about in different settings. Avoid unaccentable talks

3

COMMUNICATION STYLES

Improve tone of voice, intonation and level of formality in expressing sensitive topics.

topics such as humor, stereotypes, taboo language, communication styles, handling official institutions etc.

International Focus Group Report

All the partners started out by scheduling focus groups discussions with participants to discuss and put into test the findings of the previous research.

Focusing on the seven major topics enumerated as most relevant for the successful integration of migrants and refugees, a set of challenges were mapped out and the participants were therefore tasked to discuss a connection between these challenges and their experiences with the topics enumerated.

The result however shows a common need to build awareness, openness and skills across all stakeholders: immigrants/refugees, teachers and members of the local community. Effective language courses can bridge this gap, Deeper understanding of all topics can certainly open up new opportunities to develop better cultural integration and inclusion. Click here for the full report: www.allinproject.eu



“Adjusting to the COVID-19 Situation in all Partner Countries”

It is no news how the world went into a frenzy in the first quarter of this year owing to the sudden outbreak of the COVID-19 pandemic. This changed the way we work and created a new normal. While focused on achieving all project objectives, the project team with recommendations from the coordinator made a sudden shift to a remote working method by conducting some remote interviews as an option to the face-to-face group discussions earlier scheduled before the lockdown.

TECHNOLOGY BOOSTS ONLINE GROUP DISCUSSIONS

It definitely would not have been possible to successfully complete this phase of the project without the use of technology during the peak of the COVID-19 crisis in Europe. Interviews were held between March and April 2020 through phone calls, online meeting tools and platforms such as Zoom, Skype, Google Hangout etc..

In Germany for instance, the interviews were conducted using a video conferencing tool, while in Austria discussions were held in groups of 3 using Skype. Partners in Spain combined online meetings with phone calls. Sweden and Romania did same while applying professional qualitative

