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Newsletter

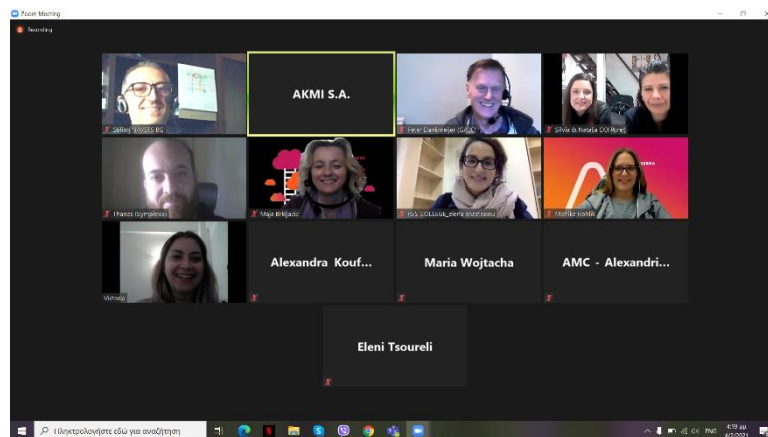
The UNIQUE project aims at changing the perception and attitudes towards LGBTQ+ learners within Vocational Education and Training (VET) environment and, thus, reducing LGBTQ+ bullying, harassment and discrimination VET trainees are currently experiencing. It is a two-years project (2021-2023), funded by Erasmus+ under Key Action 3 for Social Inclusion, composed of 9 partners from Bulgaria, Croatia, Greece, Cyprus, Poland, the Netherlands and Germany.

The project also focuses on advocating the results at the national, regional, and EU levels in an effort to introduce a pro-LGBTQ+ agenda in the social dialogue and initiate policy reform for more inclusive education.

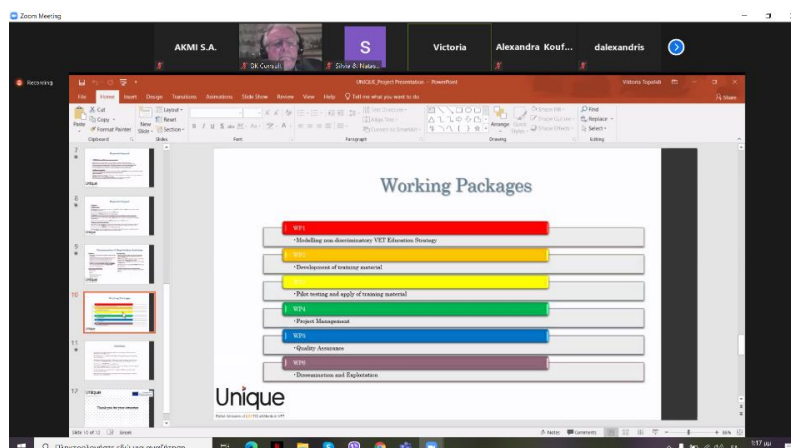
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www.uniqueproject.eu

Kick-off meeting

On 4 February, UNIQUE project was officially launched during a virtual kick off meeting, due to COVID-19 measures in the participating countries. Project Managers from all partners had the chance to meet and introduce themselves and their organizations through a brief session where each one presented their work and experience with Erasmus+ projects.



The participants also discussed about the project outline, decision-making procedures, official requirements and plans for dissemination and quality assurance. AKMI S.A, the Coordinator of the project, presented the contractual obligations and budget control. Management bodies and key processes were put in place concerning, among others, partners' communication, and first steps were identified for the upcoming period.



Pride 2021

June is the month which highlights the celebration of diversity and inclusiveness, through the organization of PRIDE parades and activities throughout Europe. Despite the strict hygiene protocols which postponed the activities in most of the EU countries, UNIQUE project partners made use of this momentum - to announce the start of the UNIQUE project. Under GALE's coordination, we created our first leaflet, presenting the aim and objectives of our project as well as our main activities that will be delivered within the implementation period. Individually, partners launched a series of activities to actively promote the project, announcing the start of their field research and the designed future actions.

Website launched

In March, our website was launched. You can visit it on uniqueproject.eu here, you will find an overview of the activities and interested people can register for the newsletter. It also allows aspirant ambassadors (in Croatia, Greece, Cyprus and Poland) to register, get informed and to take part in the free training



Become an ambassador!

The key strategy of the UNIQUE project is to recruit and train Ambassadors that are willing to support equality for LGBTIQ trainees in vocational education. Would you like to explore what you can do as a UNIQUE Ambassador?

We are currently looking for VET Teachers/Trainers and Staff from Greece, Croatia, Cyprus and Poland who are interested in participating in our activities and playing an active role in the social transformation of VET system in their countries.

So, are you interested in joining our activities?

Go to **uniqueproject.eu/ambassador** and register as aspirant ambassador! We will then send you materials and invite you for a conversation to get acquainted, and to take part in the training



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