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Description of the organisation

The Regional School Office of Tuscany was established by Presidential Decree 347/2000 as a peripheral office of the Italian Ministry of Education. Its main task is to ensure the implementation of national provisions in the field of education and training and the compliance with minimum performance requirements and standards of education in the region.

The Regional School Office of Tuscany, headed by the General Director, is articulated into 12 departments, 4 of which are located centrally and 8 at provincial level.

It has competences in the field of education, vocational education and training and adult education.

It is the functional link between the Ministry and the autonomous schools (more than 600 of different grades: preprimary, primary, secondary schools, centres for school education for adults).

It supports the school in the planning and implementation of the educational programmes, also in cooperation with local authorities and other stakeholders, and in the development of school networks.

The Regional School Office is also responsible for the training of teachers and headmasters.

Experience of the organization in previous European projects

Within the Erasmus+ programme 2014/2020 the Regional School Office of Tuscany was involved in numerous projects in school education and vocational education and training fields, as consortium coordinator for KA101 action projects and as partner or member (Key Action 2 projects).

The KA1 consortia coordinated by the Regional School Office were set up to meet the training needs of teachers in groups of schools in the region, responding to the priorities and improvement objectives of the national and regional education system.

• PARTECIPATE 2015-1-IT02-KA101-014593

Objective: development of methodologies to promote learning motivation against school drop-out.

• DAYS 2016-1-IT02-KA101-023510

Objective: competence boosting of Digital Animators in schools.

• TEAM4CLIL 2017-1-IT02-KA101-036069

Objective: development of CLIL methodology with a perspective of the vertical curriculum between the first and second cycle of education.

• ESABAC PER L'EUROPA 2019-1-IT02-KA101-061503

Objective: enhancement of the EsaBac French-Italian bi-national curriculum through specific teacher training abroad. • ACROSS 2020-1-IT02-KA101-078358

Objective: to promote well-being at school in all aspects and dimensions

The Regional School Office of Tuscany was a partner in KA2 partnerships comprising educational institutions, universities, training agencies, associations of teachers, aimed at experimenting with innovative teaching methodologies and techniques.

• T.E.S.T. 2015-1-IT02-KA201-015237

Objective: didactic innovation and training of science teachers

• ROSE-Robotics Opportunities (to foster) STEM Education 2014-1-IT02-KA200-003660

Objective: strengthening the teaching of stem disciplines through the implementation of robotics activities and the definition of a vertical curriculum

• PATHWAY THROUGH RELIGIONS 2017-1-ES01-KA201-038373

Objective: to promote social inclusion through education and understanding of the three monotheistic religions in their historical, social, economic and cultural context within different communities.

• TIK-Tradition and Innovation Kindergarten 2017 -1-IT02-KA201-036610

Objective: to strengthen the transversal competences of pre-school pupils through transnational comparisons between the traditions of the area in which they live and those linked to the cultural backgrounds of foreign or ethnic minority pupils;

QUAMMELOT -Qualification for Minor Migrants Education and Learning Open access

2017 -1-IT02-KA201-036610

Objective: to promote the role of school education in improving social inclusion, especially of unaccompanied foreign minors.

• SELF-E- Self-entrepreneurship: how to turn ideas into action 2019-1-IT01-KA202-007769

Objective: to promote the use of innovative teaching methodologies in entrepreneurship education in secondary schools

In the Erasmus+2021-2027 Programme the Regional School Office has obtained the Accreditation as Consortium Coordinator in the fields of School Education, Vocational Education and Training and Adult Education and it is member of another KA2 partnership (AIM 4-Artificial intelligence methodology for quality education-2021-1-FR01-KA220-SCH-000032694).

Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

The Regional School Office of Tuscany has been engaged in the promotion of Environmental Education in Tuscany for over 20 years, supporting the projects of the schools and coordinating teacher training activities, according to the indications of the Ministry of Education.

Since 2019, it has been supporting schools of all grades in the introduction of Sustainable Development Education in the Civic Education curricula.

To this purpose, the Regional School Office of Tuscany has established collaborations with Universities, research centres, local authorities and non-profit organisations involved in education for Sustainable Development in Tuscany.

Contributions that can be provided to the project

The Regional School Office has many years of experience in promoting educational projects in Environmental Education and Sustainable Development Education.

The Office's institutional responsibilities include in-service training of teachers on the priorities of the National Education System, including Education for Sustainable Development.

Reasons of involvement in the project

Since 2019, Sustainable Development Education has been part of Civic Education, which is a compulsory subject in schools of all grades.

The Regional School Office promotes and supports the educational innovation and research activities of educational institutions, while respecting their autonomy.

Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

The contact person for the management of the project activities is Antonietta Marini, a secondary school teacher, who is in charge at the Regional School Office of Tuscany of promoting the European dimension of education and the Erasmus+Programme.

She is the contact person of the Erasmus KA2 projects in which the Regional School Office is a partner and of the Erasmus+ KA1 Accreditation in the fields of School Education, Adult Education and VET.

She is the regional contact person for Education for Sustainable Development and member of the regional working group dealing with Civic Education teaching.

She is responsible for the training of headmaster and the in-service training of teachers.

She is doing an industrial PhD on the professional profile and training of the European teacher at the University of Florence.