Introduction to eTwinning

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My first project with an eTwinning Ambassador

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- KA1 Mobility of individuals
- KA2 Cooperation among organizations
- KA3 Support to policy

ESEP - eTwinning

eTwinning is now an integral part of the Erasmus+ program in the School sector

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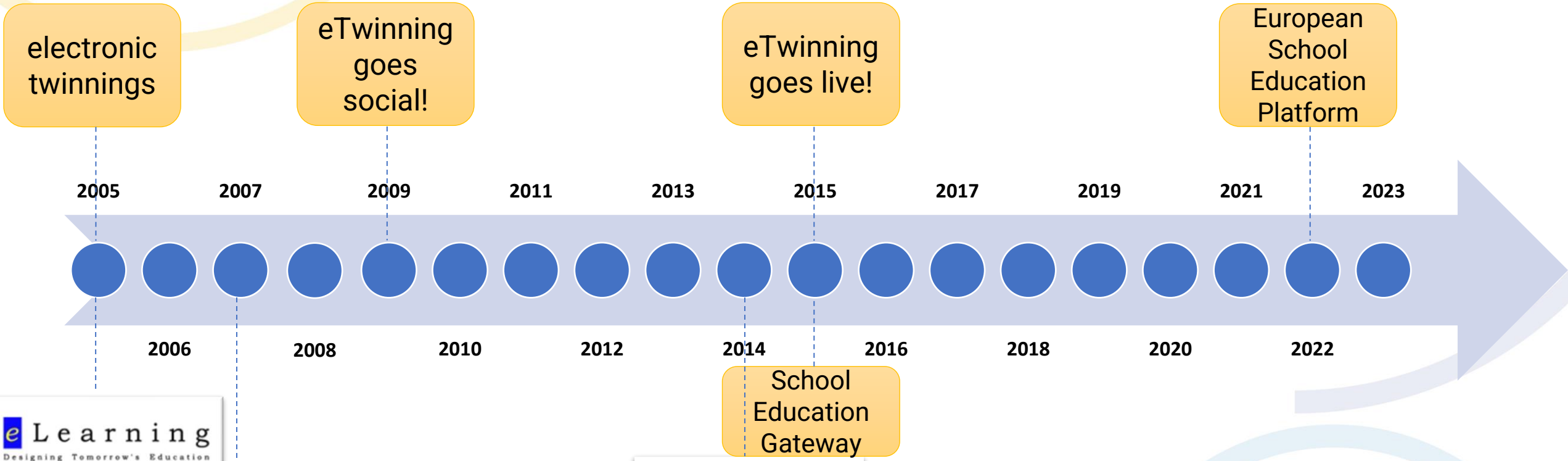
18 years of eTwinning

From the eLearning Program to the European School Education Platform



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European School Education Platform

European School Education Platform è il luogo di incontro per tutti i portatori di interesse del settore dell'**istruzione scolastica**: personale scolastico, ricercatori, decisori politici e altri professionisti e interessa tutti i livelli dell'istruzione, dall'educazione e cura della prima infanzia alla scuola primaria e secondaria, compresa l'istruzione e la formazione professionale iniziale.

La piattaforma ospita anche eTwinning, la comunità delle scuole in Europa.

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La piattaforma online europea per l'istruzione scolastica

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eTwinning… Why?

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eTwinning… Why?

Innovation in education

- With eTwinning projects, the possibilities offered by the new ICTs are integrated into traditional educational systems
- Organization of work centered on pupils/class, fostering the creative, responsible and autonomous work of pupils
- Project activities based on innovative pedagogical methods (e.g. independent research/analysis by pupils, work in small groups, involvement of very young pupils…)
- Innovation not only goes far beyond using technology in the classroom, but also includes creativity, analytical thinking, problem solving skills and collaboration.

eTwinning… Why?

Internationalization

Erasmus+ 2021-27 is an instrument for action aimed at achieving a European Education Area, a Europe of knowledge, «a Europe in which learning, studying and doing research would not be hampered by borders. A continent, where spending time in another Member State – to study, to learn, or to work – has become the standard and where, in addition to one's mother tongue, speaking two other languages has become the norm. A continent in which people have a strong sense of their identity as Europeans, of Europe's cultural heritage and its diversity».

European Commission, Strengthening European Identity through Education and Culture, com(2017) 673 final, Strasbourg, 14 November 2017.

eTwinning encourage opening up to the European dimension of education

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eTwinning for…

STUDENTS!

Through participation in eTwinning projects:

- Development of key competences (transversal, ICT, languages…)
- Conscious use of ICT and the Internet for educational purposes, from passive user to active user
- Project work: use of different methodologies (group work, peer learning…), authentic and more stimulating tasks
- Motivational boost to learning, active participation, empowerment, enhancement of multiple intelligences

eTwinning for…

SCHOOLS!

- Professional updating of teachers free of charge, continuous and consistent with national policies objectives (in Italy PNSD, Scuola 4.0, etc.)
- More attractive educational offer greater visibility of the school.

- Gradual integration of ICT and foreign language into daily teaching
- Promotes bottom-up, gradual and sustainable innovation

- Values excellence but above all helps the "normal" teacher
- Inclusion in a network of European schools, also the basis for other collaborations and projects (e.g. Erasmus+)

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eTwinning for…

TEACHERS!

- Many opportunities for professional development
- Comparison and peer review on one's own teaching practices, opportunities for reflection and self-evaluation
- Opportunity to experiment with new methodologies in collaboration with partners

- Greater visibility of teacher's work within the school and outside the school
- Awards and certificates: opportunity to see teacher's work valued and to deal with external evaluators

- Motivation for teaching and constant updating

eTwinning project

What is it?

Total flexibility: activities, themes and duration of the collaboration, number of the partners

Awards and quality certification

Availability of a **TwinSpace**, a secure web workspace that students and teachers can access to work together

An eTwinning project is a collaborative teaching project, which takes place remotely between classes (teachers and pupils) from different schools. Partners can all come from the same country (national project) or from different countries (European project).

Assistance from your NSO and from other users of the platform (e.g. Gruppo Virgilio)

No deadline or paperworks, no bureaucracy to register and activate a project

Integrated tools: forum, chat, web pages, blog, archive, videoconferences

eTwinning project

Before starting

Gather information

- Inspiration
- Objectives
- Colleagues
- Equipment

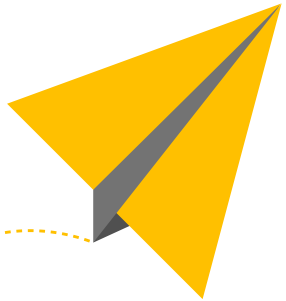
Feasibility

- Curricular integration
- Time management
- Resources management
- External support

Start!

- Partner finding
- Project planning

Project registration



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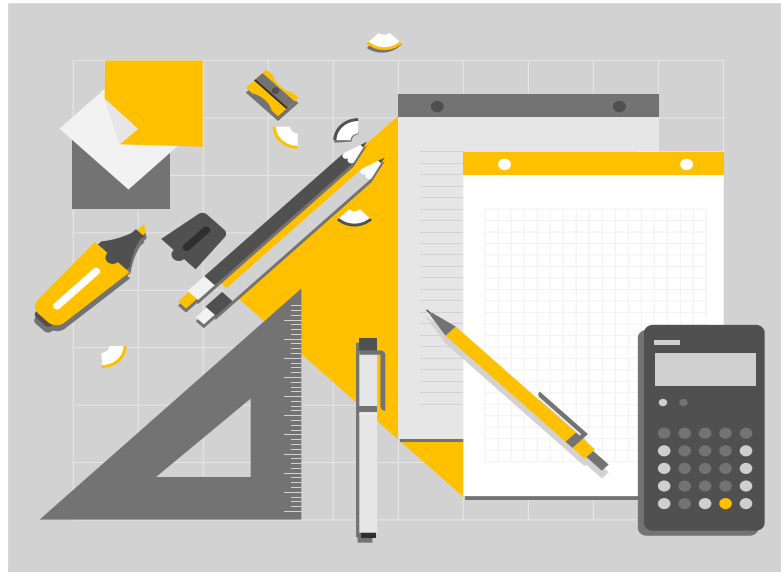
The groundwork for building a good project

1. Careful search for the right partner. Be flexible and ready to welcome new opportunities but keep your points. Possibility to enlarge the partnership, but beware: managing many members is more difficult
2. Sharing of objectives and planning with partners and also with pupils if possible
3. Agree on how to structure the TwinSpace
4. Establish educational goals that are well integrated into the curriculum
5. Preliminary calendar and expected deadlines for deliveries
6. Use of ICT - foresee the use of tools useful for the objectives
7. Define and share safety and privacy rules
8. Keep in mind the evaluation criteria for the Quality Certificate (Quality in eTwinning projects is not about excellence, is about method!)



The key features of an eTwinning project

The project activities differ in each project according to the age of the pupils, the school context, the composition of the partnership, the theme of the project, the time and tools available, etc.

Each project assumes its specificity, but there are transversal aspects that are common to all eTwinning projects and to all project phases:

- COMMUNICATION
- COLLABORATION
- DOCUMENTATION

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