



ERASMUS + KA2 STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP IN THE FIELD OF YOUTH

Promoting a Safe Internet Usage Against Cyberbullying (SIAC)

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Launch of the SIAC E-book

We are thrilled to announce the imminent launch of the SIAC E-book, the final output of the project, a work bringing together all the research, pilots, learning and findings of the project into one e-book featuring chapters in the participating languages as well as a comparative chapter in English. The book comes in two versions, a short one, with all the executive summaries of the national chapters in English including a comparative chapter; and a long version with chapters reflecting the findings from each participating country and written in local languages. This version will also include the capacity building material as well as the evaluation from the piloting of IO1 and 2, and the overall evaluation.

Here are some extracts from the book:

The data about cyberbullying in Italy is frightening. From 2020 to 2021, also due to Covid and therefore the lockdowns, there has been a 40 percent increase in cyberbullying, in the region Puglia, and 50 percent, at national level. Projects such as SIAC demonstrate once again the importance of tackling this issue urgently. Thanks to the pilot activities, 50 learners from Italy have made great improvements in cyberbullying awareness and the phenomenon of cyberbullying towards LGBTQ+ youth. It can be said that the values of restorative justice and their potential to help LGBTQ communities heal from cyberbullying were not very well-known topics for Italian participants. Most of them were not familiar with these topics before the course, but the e-course helped them to understand it more clearly. As EUROSUD we will continue to promote the SIAC e-course and try to reach as many people as possible and in that way give a small contribution to solve this important problem. (EUROSUD)

Cyberbullying towards LGBTIQ groups seems to be a rising phenomenon among all participating countries especially during the Covid-19 pandemic. It raises the need for attention, awareness and response. (RJ4ALL)

Our experience especially the interaction with stakeholders has increased our awareness and concern on the need of further training of youth educators on the subject of cyberbullying. The process has been an opportunity for us to learn about grey areas in interventions by educators in cyberbullying related incidents and to open channels for dialogue on competences required for effective support of all involved. This makes SIAC project a valuable learning experience for us and an opportunity to continue working for social cohesion even beyond the project lifetime. (VisMedNet)

The implementation of the SIAC project together with the creation of content and the online course on cyberbullying in Spain has helped us to identify a significant number of individuals with limited knowledge about cyberbullying and to increase and develop new knowledge including strategies, initiatives and practices on the prevention and interaction of cyberbullying and support for people experiencing this new form of bullying. Through the e-course, participants have gained good and excellent knowledge about cyberbullying and how it should be addressed. (Inercia Digital).

The work developed by the SIAC project partnership is very important as it provides free and accessible resources for everyone who wishes to learn more about cyberbullying and tackling this issue effectively. It contains detailed information about how to recognise this phenomenon, prevent the occurrence of such episodes, and deal with incidents successfully. It will provide a valuable resource to educators/youth leaders, organisations and players around the phenomenon of cyberbullying with a special focus on LGBTIQ, as it is based on sound learning principles and approaches which can suit different needs and learning styles. (Kairos Europe)

4th Transnational Project Meeting

The 4th and final Transnational Project Meeting will be held in London on 24th November 2022, hosted by Kairos Europe. The final meeting will be an opportunity for partners to review the work done by the partnership throughout the project, assess the quality of the results and the impact of the project on the targeted groups, and plan future actions to ensure the project sustainability after its conclusion.

SIAC International Conference



On 25th November 2022 RJ4ALL will be hosting their 2nd Annual International Conference, called ***Voices from within: Preventing violent youth radicalisation, school exclusion, cyberbullying and homelessness***. During the Conference, the SIAC consortium will present the SIAC deliverables and impact achieved during the 24th months of the project duration.

The conference will be held in London at the **Honourable Society of the Middle Temple**.

To register to the event, visit the following website: [RJ4All Annual International Conferences](https://www.rj4all.org.uk/annual-international-conferences)