



**EU Rural**  
Virtual Classroom

# E+ Virtual Classroom

The project is strongly anchored in ICT, has an innovative approach to **face educational deficiencies in rural areas**: a collaborative virtual space in real time where rural schools can support each other, filling their deficiencies in teachers' shortage, content and activities immediately.

## Benefits:

- Real time communication
- Join European Initiatives
- Unique space for research
- Knowledge Exchange
- Multigrade and scalable
- Free access

## Where?

We aim to focus on education in rural areas, where 28% of the EU population lives.

## Why?

In these areas the early dropout rate is higher than in urban areas (12% as opposed to 9% in urban settings). Rural areas also face other challenges such as insulation of centres, less students, insecure facilities or fewer materials which reinforces the need to target rural education.



## Target group

**Rural schools**, as well as their **students** and **teachers** and the **educational community**, are the direct beneficiaries of the project and will benefit by improving connectivity and educational resources.

Likewise, **public and private entities** will benefit from the project indirectly.



# Platform

The platform goal is to be a rural community-driven area that enables teachers and their pupils in rural areas to connect and share resources and collaborate on educational initiatives all over the world.

It is safe:

- It is an EU funded platform with all EU GDPR guarantees.
- Members fully identified: only schools and official institutions can register and allow their teachers/professionals to be registered.
- Students are never alone: they enter only by direct invitation of their teacher for specific activities.

The main things that can be done within the **platform are**:

- **Virtual Classrooms:** Online space to deliver classes, workshops, meetings or any kind of real time activities among groups with no geographic limitations. Full range of online features available: break out rooms, upload and share materials, share screen and multimedia materials, to interactive blackboard, online polls, etc.



- **Digital Repository:** Pool of resources that may include lesson plans, multimedia content, teaching aids, and other materials that are relevant to rural students and teachers.
- **Projects proposals:** Here you can find and join projects created by the Community.
- **Groups:** You can join groups of your interest, to work together with people from the platform.
- **Exchange:** You can find all the members in the platform and get in contact with all of them.

# Partners

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