

## FOOD RESCUE: DEVELOPING 21ST-CENTURY SKILLS AND SUSTAINABLE BEHAVIOURS TOWARDS FOOD WASTE AND CLIMATE CHANGE

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An exciting project is taking shape across Europe, aimed at promoting climate education and encouraging sustainable behaviors towards food waste and climate change. FOOD RESCUE, an Erasmus+ KA2- Cooperation partnership in school education, brings together six organizations from France, Greece, the Netherlands, Austria, and Cyprus, to develop an innovative teaching and educational package for students aged 8-12.

FOOD RESCUE aims to increase awareness of climate change and foster change in attitudes and behavior, helping young learners understand and address the impact of global warming. Using food waste as a conceptual context, the project combines various tools, such as maker education, youth participation, and activism.

The project sets out three clear objectives:

- Developing an innovative curriculum for primary education students that raises awareness about food waste and enables them to develop cross-cutting and green-related skills.
- Providing educators with a training program that enables them to apply the FOOD RESCUE curriculum while advancing their professional development in maker education and youth activism pedagogies.
- Promoting a culture of social mindfulness and responsibility regarding food waste to encourage sustainable behavior.

Currently, the consortium is hard at work developing an innovative FOOD RESCUE Curriculum for primary school students. Through a collaborative process with educators, the team is researching and designing seven lessons, enabling students to use their creativity to design and build their solutions for food waste. The lessons are based on Maker Education and Youth Participation, with food waste as the overarching theme.

Teachers from the participating countries will receive training on the FOOD RESCUE Curriculum via a blended training program that includes an international training course in Vienna, online learning with four webinars, and self-paced learning modules. Following this training, teachers will pilot the curriculum in ten different schools across Europe.

FOOD RESCUE is set to launch its innovative curriculum in the near future, and the consortium is confident that it will have a positive impact on the lives of students by creating a more sustainable future. By promoting eco-awareness in young learners, FOOD RESCUE hopes to transform them into eco-champions and help them understand the importance of protecting our planet.

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