

MEDIAWARE

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The MediAware Project

The MediAware project aims to equip educators with the knowledge and skills necessary to empower adults and young people in formal and non-formal education settings to recognise how information is produced, critically evaluate the content, and make informed decisions as users and producers of information and media content.

Our Progress

Since the beginning of the project, the MediAware partners have developed a handbook on the topics of the media, citizenship, and democracy. This handbook addresses current topics such as the identification of fake news and how to critically analyse information. The purpose of the handbook is to support learners to become conscious consumers and producers of media, in the digital world of today. It includes the basic, practical, and theoretical information of concepts, as well as training methods, pedagogical exercises, and recommendations for teachers and educators that they can use in their training groups.

Next Steps

Over the next few months, the MediAware partners will work on testing the materials with educators and learners. Further details on this will be featured in Newsletter 3, along with information about the project's e-Educational Hub.

Transnational Partner Meetings

During the lifecycle of the project, the MediAware partners have met to discuss upcoming tasks, deadlines, and progress. These meetings have allowed us the opportunity to meet face-to-face, which furthers the cooperation and participation of our transnational partnership. To date, the partners have met in:

- TPM1 – Online – January 2022
- TPM2 – Virginia, Ireland – November 2022
- TPM3 – Ancona, Italy – May 2023
- TPM4 – Narva, Estonia – October 2023

During the last meeting, all partners collaboratively developed training materials to be incorporated into the MediAware Toolkit. This Toolkit is structured into five distinct chapters, comprising practical exercises and methodologies aimed at arming educators with the knowledge and skills necessary for critically assessing media content. It also aims to enable them to proficiently identify misinformation in social media. In the course of this engaging meeting, the MediAware partner group tested and evaluated the materials. This allowed us to share valuable insights and recommendations on effective exercises from the Toolkit and strategies for conveying information in innovative ways to empower educators and learners on this contemporary issue.

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