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### What is 21st TeachSkills about?

The Teacher training with specialization on life and information technology skills is an Erasmus+ project co-funded by the European Commission. Its implementation phase is foreseen to last for three years, from November 2019 to November 2022.

The consortium of this project is comprised of nine partners from six countries in total: Greece, Lithuania, Luxembourg, India, China, and Cambodia (three partners from Europe and six partners from Asia).

## What are the objectives of 21st TeachSkills?

21st TeachSkills project aims to address the shortage of trained teachers, which results in a vicious circle of poor education over generations in the partner countries. In particular, its goal is to provide solutions for inadequate educational qualifications and lack of teacher training in the partner countries.

Responding to the current needs of academics to be trained with new modern teaching methodologies that incorporate 21st century Teach Skills, this project combines best practices that can be applied in pedagogy with the use of new technologies. This goal aligns, indeed, with the development strategy for higher education to the partner countries involved.



# What activities have until now happened?

The partnership met at the premises of University of Ioannina in Greece, during the kick-off meeting that took place between the 24th to the 28th of February 2020. Among the topics discussed, partners focused on the creation of the 21st century curriculum, and particularly the four areas that will be covered: 1.Teaching critical thinking and collaborative problem-solving skills.

2. Education technology skills based on the Technological Pedagogical Content Knowledge.

3. Authentic learning tasks and practical implementation of the skills in classroom.

4. Optimizing Student Assessment for 21st century Skills.

At this initial stage, partners exchanged ideas and examined possible ways of integrating the blended courses in their curriculum or offering an independent course for the active school teachers.



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