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Type of organisation:

SME School University Public Authority
 Training No Profit NGO

Other (Specify)

Fields of action:

SMEs Youth Universities Public Authorities
 Equal opportunities Schools Unemployed

Other (Specify)

Description of the organisation

INFOREF is a not-for-profit organisation founded in 1987. Its staff of 11 people is specialised in ICT for educational purpose and in European project writing and management (Erasmus+, Lifelong Learning Programme, Europe for Citizens...). It has partnerships with numerous institutions in Belgium and Europe (schools of all levels, universities and colleges, public authorities, associations, companies...) thanks to the European projects it participates in as coordinator and as partner.

Our technical activities involve the creation of educational tool, graphic material and website, and training of teachers to use ICT in educational contexts.

In recent years, INFOREF has run several European projects focussed on the use of ICT to educate audiences of all ages (primary and secondary schools, university, adults) and on specific and transversal topics such as science education, early school leaving prevention, entrepreneurship, language skills, medicine... (See project description: <https://inforef.be/projets.php>)

Inforef has a close cooperation with the college HELMo (Haute École Libre Mosane), giving us access to a large number of teachers and adult students. Our network of contacts also includes the University of Liège and numerous schools and other educational organisations in French-speaking Belgium.

Experience of the organization in previous European projects

Inforef has participated for over 20 years in regional and European projects as promoter, coordinator or partner. Inforef has written and submitted its own projects, supported the writing of projects by institutions such as the University of Liège and HELMo, and participated as partner in other organisations' projects. We have been involved of all aspects of project management: general coordination and financial management, contribution to research activities and output productions, and technical support (creation of websites,

platforms, technical implementation of outputs, creation of dissemination material...).

Ongoing European projects:

L'Homo Data dans l'Ère Anthropocène (2019-2021): To prepare the European youth to new environment challenges brought about by two converging accelerations: an economic and a digital one, which are creating a new environment they need to be prepared to.

Four-Minute BarrierS (2020-2021): Inclusion of visually impaired students in sports through the organisation of activities that involve VIP and sighted people.

E-Safe (2020-2023): Improving the management of healthcare quality and safety in initial and continuing training.

EWA (2021-2023): Fighting harassment and discrimination against women in sport.

Regenerart (2021-2023): re-thinking gender roles and stereotypes in art.

RestarEdu (2021-2023): Innovating teaching and learning methods at academic level by integrating the digital technology in the educational process.

Peers for Equality (2021-2023): Online platform based on workshops to prevent harassment.

Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

With 20 years of European project management, INFOREF has regularly participated in education projects related to young people's difficulties, cooperating with teachers and education stakeholders to address them. Among the more recent projects are:

School Safety Net: project about early school leaving focussed on four key factors: school bullying, school guidance, integration of immigrant students, and identification of students at risk.

Sonet-Bull: creation of an online training platform for adults to prevent and fight school bullying.

I Have Rights: raising awareness at schools both for students and teachers (and all school staff) on human rights and non-discrimination values.

Noradica: prevention of radicalisation of young people and promotion of interreligious dialogue at school.

Contributions that can be provided to the project

Our long experience in European project management.

Expertise in education-related issues.

A network of various education stakeholders who will provide their experiences, ideas and tools, including:

HELMo-Sainte-Croix: teacher training institution, including for primary and lower secondary school teachers (who will therefore be teaching to this project's target audience).

HELMo-ESAS: training of social assistants.

SeGEC: network of Catholic education.

Enseignement.be: Official website of Education in the Fédération Wallonie-Bruxelles

AMO "Droit des Jeunes" : (AMO = Aide en milieu ouvert): support service for children in difficulty.

Various schools and medical centres attached to those schools ("**CPMS**").

Other contact will be taken with relevant organisations.

Reasons of involvement in the project

For the purpose of previous European projects, Inforef has gathered a working group of teachers, headteachers, counsellors, representatives of public authorities and external organisations and stakeholders working in the field of education. We have regularly met to discuss matters related to those

projects (early school leaving, school bullying, diversity in the class...). CUT! will give us the opportunity to widen the scope of those discussions and to extend our network to new stakeholders.

Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

Christine Cloes: Manager of INFOREF, project manager

Graduate in Romance Philology and holder of the certificate of pedagogic skill for the upper secondary school. In charge of the general management of European projects and of the coordination of the educational teams involved in the projects. More specifically responsible for projects related to social sciences, education, literacy...

Zlata Selak: Project manager, administrative and financial manager

Graduate in Biology. Expertise in administrative and financial management of European projects. General management of European projects and coordination of the educational teams involved in the projects. More specifically responsible for projects related to scientific skills (chemistry, environment, energy, medicine, ...) and ICT.

Julien Keutgen: European project manager

Master degrees in Modern Letters and in Translation. Responsible for translations, communication with international partners, reporting and research activities. Represents INFOREF in transnational and virtual meetings.