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We already completed...

... the **Research component (WP2)** that aimed to identify the good practices to enhance the cultural learning and the integration of migrants and refugees in their host countries and to help us for the Design of the Learn & Blend Course (WP3). The results of the study are summarized in the Good Practices Report, available on the NEST Project website, and were presented to the audience during the Online Info Days. In the framework of the research component, a primary survey with migrants, refugees and educational practitioners and interviews with migrants and refugees in partner countries have been conducted.

... important steps of our **Upscaling and dissemination component (WP5)**. Online Info days have been successfully organized in Greece, Portugal, Italy and Germany to present the results of the research and NEST Project website and social media (Instagram, Facebook and Twitter) are regularly updated by all partners.

We are currently doing...

... the **Designing of the Learn and Blend Course (WP3)**. The Course, entitled "Migrants' and refugees' introduction to the culture of host communities with emphasis on popular culture". It aims to offer innovative and tailored educational solutions to support the inclusion of migrants and refugees in the culture of host societies. We have already drafted the outline of the different modules, agreed by all partners. The course includes the following modules :

MODULE 1: Introduction to culture & cultural awareness

MODULE 2: Experiencing intercultural environment

MODULE 3: Active citizenship

MODULE 4: Host country's popular culture

MODULE 5: How the most important sectors of the host society work

The outline takes into consideration the similarities and the specificities of each partner's countries since the modules "Introduction to culture and cultural awareness", "Experiencing intercultural environments" and "Active citizenship" offer a generalist view on culture while the modules "Host country's popular culture" and "How the most important sectors of the host society work" are adapted to national specificities. The modules are going to be more detailed thanks to the results of the primary research.





The next steps are...

... The outputs of WP3 with the **designing of the Cultural Mentoring Curriculum** which aims to train the educational practitioners to efficiently use the innovative tools of the NEST Projects.

... The **Piloting of the Learn and Blend Course (WP4)**. This component aims to test the effectiveness of the designed educational approach by observing testing groups of educators, migrants and refugees. The Piloting Phase will enable us to confirm or to adapt our approach. The results will be summarized in a Pilot Evaluation Report and Lessons Learn.

... The **partners meeting in Porto (Portugal)**, planned for November 2021.

...The **organization of roundtables with diverse stakeholders (WP5)**, in order to disseminate the results of the Project and to facilitate experience exchanges. Those events will take place in each partner's countries and in Belgium from December 2021 to February 2022. The communication about the roundtables will be conducted on our social media.



Join us!

We hope that the NEST Project will continue to spread awareness about difficulties migrants and refugees face to find their place in their host society.

We all have a role to play. Help us **spread a message** of respect and trust, join us on:

