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Successful Kickoff Meeting for the H2020 IMMERSE project

The Kick-off Meeting was held in Comillas Pontifical University in Madrid (Spain) on 17th and 18th December 2018. Eleven project partners from six countries came along to share the project goals, expectations and results to be achieved during the next four years. Roles and responsibilities to be carried out were explained by Comillas Pontifical University, project coordinator, and the leaders of the different work packages. The partners also take advantage of the meeting to visit Padre Piquer secondary and vocational school in Madrid, to know about their innovative educational methods working with migrants and disadvantaged students



The aim of IMMERSE project, funded by the European Commission through the programme Horizon 2020, is to define a new integrated methodology to generate and monitor quantitative and qualitative data and to develop a set of recommendations on the integration of refugees and migrant children in Europe.

IMMERSE will involve children and relevant stakeholders to identify the key parameters related to intercultural competences, wellbeing and gender affecting children's integration and will co-create a new dashboard of integration indicators. A database and a platform will be developed within the project, collecting and monitoring data (from children 6-18) in Belgium, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy and Spain. Best practices of integration at local level will be identified and its advancement and replication will be promoted. Data analysis will draw a representative image of National and Europe's reality on refugee and migrant children's integration leading the consortium to develop policy papers with specific recommendations on migrant children's integration at national and European level targeting both policymakers and educational institutions to foster diverse and inclusive societies.

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