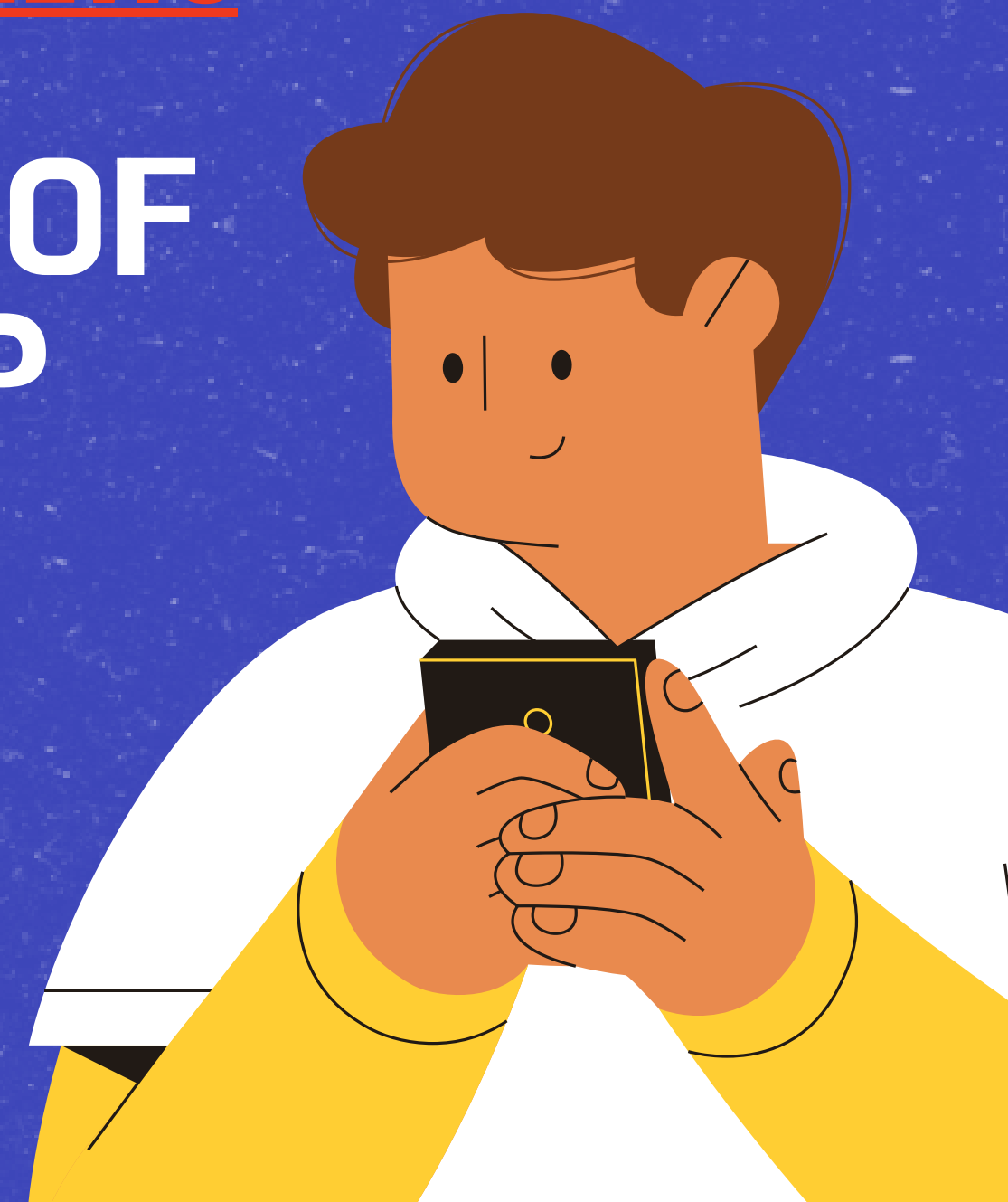


Empowering society to combat **FAKE NEWS**

THE EUROPEAN YEAR OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION 2025





This presentation is part of a **TRAINING MODULE** that prepares for upcoming activities in the **Erasmus project 'FAKE NEWS BUSTERS'**, focused on using innovative methods and strategies for **media and digital literacy**.





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DIRECTED BY THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE,
IT IS A YEAR-LONG INITIATIVE FOCUSING ON
PROMOTING DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION
ACROSS EUROPE.



THE EUROPEAN YEAR OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION 2025

25TH SESSION OF THE STANDING CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF EDUCATION

Launch of the
intergovernmental project on
digital citizenship education

APRIL
2016

1361ST MEETING OF MINISTERS' DEPUTIES

Adoption of the
Recommendation CM/
Rec(2019)10 on developing
and promoting digital
citizenship education

NOV
2019

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION PROMOTERS' NETWORK

APRIL
2019

MEETING OF MINISTERS OF EDUCATION UNDER FRENCH PRESIDENCY OF THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS

Adoption of the Ministerial
declaration on Citizenship
education in the digital era

NOV
2019

26TH SESSION OF THE STANDING CONFERENCE OF MINISTERS OF EDUCATION

Adoption of the Resolution on the
establishment of a European Year
of Digital Citizenship Education

SEPT
2023

2025

EUROPEAN YEAR OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION



WHY IS DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION IMPORTANT

In today's world, **understanding the impact of digital technology** on our lives is essential. Digital environment and technologies offer unprecedented **opportunities** but also raise **new challenges**.





DIGITAL TRANSFORMATION

OPPORTUNITIES

LEARN

SOCIALISE

CREATE

PARTICIPATE

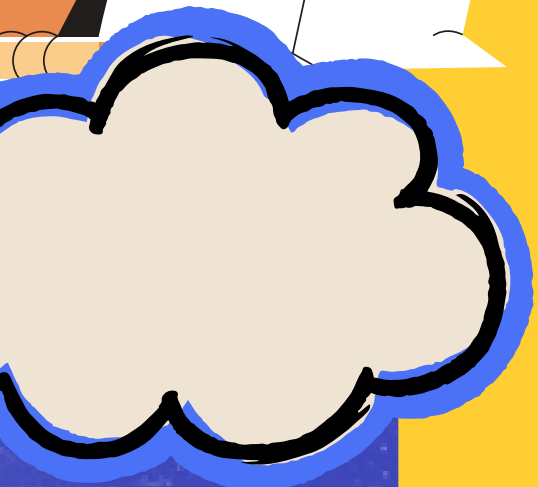
CHALLENGES

DISINFORMATION

CYBERBULLYING

ONLINE HATE SPEECH

MISUSE PERSONAL DATA



**ACCESS AND
INCLUSION**

**LEARNING AND
CREATIVITY**

**MEDIA AND
INFORMATION
LITERACY**

**CONCEPT OF
DIGITAL
CITIZENSHIP
EDUCATION**

**ETHICS AND
EMPATHY**

**HEALTH AND
WELL-BEING**

**E-PRESENCE AND
COMMUNICATION**

ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

PRIVACY AND SECURITY

CONSUMERS AWARENESS





ONE OF THE BIGGEST THREATS TO DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP IS DISINFORMATION

The spread of disinformation, like fake news and hate speech, is proliferating in our digital age. The need is to equip citizens - especially young people - with the **critical thinking, media literacy, and digital skills** necessary to recognize, resist, and counter false or harmful content online.





FAKE NEWS BUSTERS PROJECT



Fighting disinformation and building awareness in new generations of critical thinkers

It is a small-scale partnerships in vocational education and training in the field of Erasmus in cooperation with partners from Slovakia and Sweden.





SURVEY ON MEDIA AND DIGITAL LITERACY

THE SURVEY COLLECTED THE ANSWERS FROM 102 ITALIAN STUDENTS INVESTIGATING THEIR LEVELS OF COMPETENCE, KNOWLEDGE AND PRACTICE REGARDING MEDIA AND DIGITAL LITERACY (MDL).

EVALUATING ONLINE INFORMATION

MORE THAN HALF STUDENTS HAVE SHARED ONLINE CONTENT THEY LATER DISCOVERED BEING FALSE OR MISLEADING (35,3% MULTIPLE TIMES AND 29,4% ONCE OR TWICE). ONLY 12,7% CHECK BEFORE SHARING;

ONLINE SAFETY PRACTICES

38,2 % OF STUDENTS TAKE BREAKS FROM SCREENS ONLY WHEN THEY FEEL OVERWHELMED;

34,3% OF STUDENTS RARELY REVIEW AND UPDATE PRIVACY SETTINGS ON THEIR SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS.

ENGAGING WITH MEDIA

ONLY 14,7% OF STUDENTS ALWAYS CITE AND GIVE CREDIT TO THE ORIGINAL CREATOR IN THEIR SCHOOL PROJECTS .
26,5% OF STUDENTS DO NOT KNOW HOW TO PROPERLY CREDIT ONLINE CONTENT;






FAKE NEWS BUSTERS PROJECT



In line with the goals of the European Year of Digital Citizenship, the **project aims to empower young people** to become responsible digital citizens by:

- Increasing **Digital readiness** and **resilience**;
- Enhancing **Media Literacy** and **Critical Thinking**;
- Developing **tailored trainings** and **digital safety guidelines** to detect fake news;
- Promoting an **ethical participation** in the digital public sphere.





DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION TO FACE THE CHALLENGES OF TODAY AND TOMORROW



THINK CRITICALLY AND
ACT RESPONSIBLY
ONLINE

UNDERSTAND,
PROTECT AND
RESPECT CITIZENS
RIGHTS



CAREFULLY MANAGE
PRIVATE INFORMATION

APPRECIATE OTHER
CULTURES AND
PERSPECTIVES



COOPERATE
MEANINGFULLY BOTH ON-
AND OFFLINE, CONTRIBUTE
POSITIVELY TO SOCIETY

MAIN ACTIVITIES FOR SUCCESS

**RAISE PUBLIC
AWARENESS**

**INTERNATIONAL
COLLABORATION**

**STAKEHOLDER
ENGAGEMENT**

**RESOURCES
DEVELOPMENT AND
TAKE-UP**

**CAPACITY
DEVELOPMENT**



THE 10 DIGITAL DOMAINS OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

- 1 UNDERSTANDING DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP
- 2 ETHICAL BEHAVIOUR ONLINE
- 3 ONLINE SAFETY AND SECURITY
- 4 COMBATING DISINFORMATION
- 5 DIGITAL LITERACY AND CRITICAL THINKING



THE 10 DIGITAL DOMAINS OF DIGITAL CITIZENSHIP EDUCATION

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DIGITAL FOOTPRINT AND REPUTATION

7

CYBERBULLYING AND ONLINE HARASSMENT

8

INCLUSIVE AND ACCESSIBLE DIGITAL COMMUNITIES

9

DIGITAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

10

DIGITAL PARTICIPATION AND DEMOCRACY



TASK: BECOMING DIGITAL CITIZENS!

WORK IN GROUPS AND DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING QUESTION:

WHAT SHOULD YOUR GENERATION DO TO BECOME RESPONSIBLE AND ACTIVE DIGITAL CITIZENS?

CREATE A LIST OF 10 CONCRETE ACTIONS THAT YOU BELIEVE ARE IMPORTANT TO ADOPT IN YOUR EVERYDAY DIGITAL LIFE (AT SCHOOL, ONLINE, ON SOCIAL MEDIA, ETC.).



THANK YOU

