



PRESS RELEASE

Participation of Emphasys Centre at the International Educational Fair of Cyprus 2018 “Education and Career” – Presentation and Dissemination of the primeTech Project Promoting Technology Enhanced Teaching in Primary Schools (Erasmus+ KA2 in SCHOOL Sector 2016-1-DE03-KA201-023041)

The “Emphasys Centre” has participated in the **International Educational Fair of Cyprus 2018 “Education and Career”**, organized by the Ministry of Education and Culture of Cyprus, the Cyprus Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI), the Cyprus Employers and Industrialists Federation (OEB) and the European Office of Cyprus (EOC), between the 23rd and 25th of February in Nicosia.

The International Education Fair of Cyprus is one of the biggest events organized in the field of education and training, as most of the participants are well-established organisations, higher education institutions and public-authorities. The Fair is regarded as the gate where the representatives of the higher educational institutions meet and attract Cypriot and international students living in Cyprus and wish to study either locally or abroad. The Fair also hosts every year public services and semi-state bodies to inform the public and especially young people regarding potential career and employment opportunities. Furthermore, the Fair offers the opportunity to providers of services addressed to students and young people such as educational and career services to approach students and young people.

The “Emphasys Centre” as an approved by the Cyprus Ministry of Education and Culture, Educational and ICT Training Centre participated in the Fair with its own booth aiming:

- To present the educational programmes and career services provided to young people, students, and professionals (GCE A' Level Computing, ECDL, National ICT Exams, custom-made and in-service training etc.).
- To present the involvement of the Research Department in the preparation, coordination and implementation of European Research Programmes mainly under the Erasmus+ Programme in all sectors: Education, VET, Higher Education, Sports and Youth.

During the International Fair the project ‘primeTech’ was presented individually on a specific time and has attracted the attention of interested people. The Emphasys team disseminated the project using all the relevant material that were designed for the needs of the fair, such as banners, leaflets presentations, petition lists etc.

It is important to note that a Petition in relation to the promotion of the main aims of the ‘primeTech’ project was initiated which will be an ongoing activity until the end of the project which can be implemented by other partners as well. A great number of signatures were collected as part of the Petition which is shown below.

Several important stakeholders, key people and official bodies, as well as parents, teenagers, teachers, youth workers and many others visited Emphasys’ booth and were informed about the ‘primeTech’ project’s aims, objectives, products and expected outcomes. Among the visitors were the Head of Business Department and Director of Research Department of the American College, Representatives of the Ministry of Education and Culture, Representatives of the Youth Board of Cyprus, Representatives of the Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus, Members of the Cyprus Computer Society, Representatives of European University Cyprus and others.



It has to be noted that seniors were greatly impressed by the project's idea and initiative and those who showed interested, were also invited to participate in several activities planned for the next months.

Overall the International Fair presented a great opportunity for the dissemination of the 'primeTech' project to a large number of interested people (estimated to be more than 10,000).

For more information you can visit the official website of 'primeTech' project <http://www.primetech-edu.eu/>, the project's Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/primetecheu/> or Emphasys' website www.emphasyscentre.com/primetech.

Dissemination material:

Promoting Technology Enhanced Teaching in Primary Schools

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Banner

Promoting Technology Enhanced Teaching in Primary Schools

Learning can't anymore be confined to specific classrooms and timetables, but take full advantage of technology to break boundaries. The digital revolution is boosting demand for new digital competences for teachers to be able to cope with new technology, digital devices, and infrastructure and open educational resources freely available to students.

Education should use the benefits of new ICT developments and adopt innovative and active pedagogies thus promoting technology enhanced teaching in primary schools aiming to raise learning targets.

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Poster

Promoting Technology Enhanced Teaching in Primary Schools

Προωθώντας τη χρήση της Τεχνολογίας στη Δημοτική Εκπαίδευση

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Classrooms don't need tech geeks who can use tech; we need teaching geeks who can use tech.

The digital revolution is boosting demand for digital skills and competences, thus requiring investment in infrastructure, organisational change, digital devices and digital competences of educators, and the creation of digital (and open) educational resources and high quality educational software. Education and training should reap the benefits of new ICT developments and adopt innovative and active pedagogies. Learning can't anymore be confined to specific classrooms and timetables but take full advantage of technology to break boundaries.

The project aims:

- to create the Technology Enhanced Teaching Competence Code with benchmarks and indicators against which teachers' practices, knowledge and skills will be assessed and evaluated through a stocktaking approach.
- to design and implement the PRIMETECH professional development programme for teachers with in-built ICT training offered both on-line and school-based, and through constant monitoring and assessment procedures.
- to design a dynamic, interactive and powerful tool with system open platform which will provide e-learning, e-connectivity and e-communication functionalities accompanied with learning modules, training material, guides etc.

Target groups

Direct target group: Primary School Teachers
Indirect target group: Primary School Students

Leaflet

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Coordinator: EUROEDU

Program Partners: DIPKODITOS, education, education, Emphasys

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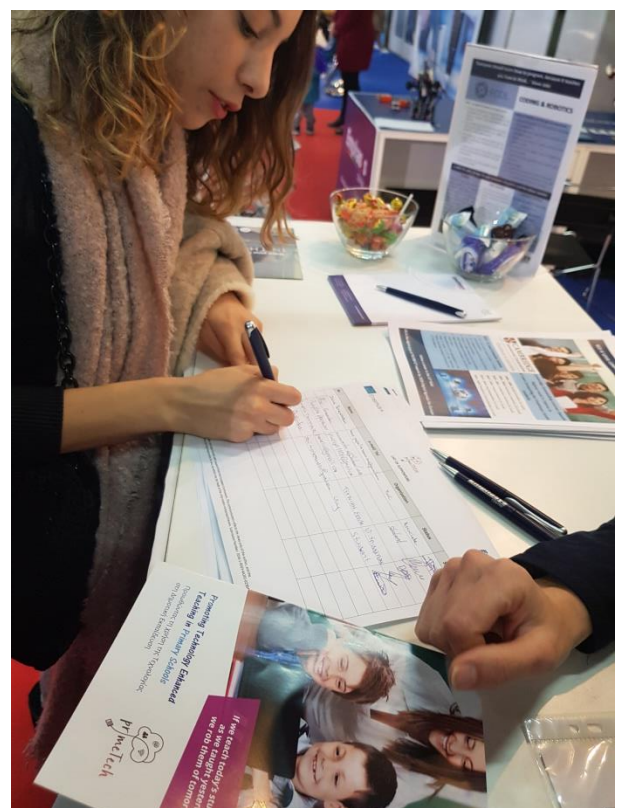
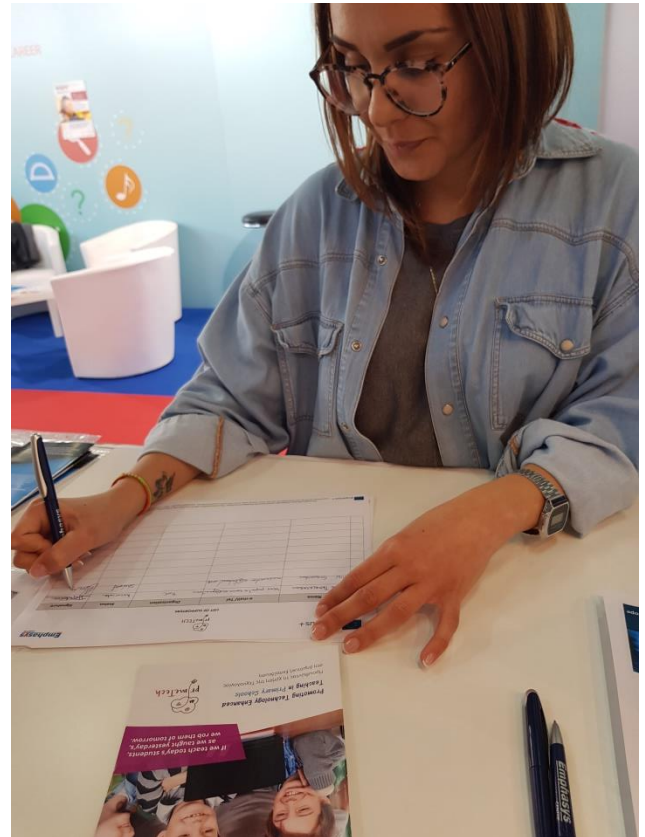
Head of Business Department and
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Representative of the Youth
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Representatives of the Human Resource Development Authority of Cyprus and
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