

primeTECH Newsletter №3

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About primeTECH

primeTECH is a two-year Erasmus+ KA2 Strategic Partnership project. It aims to promote Technology Enhanced Teaching in Primary Schools and is run by 6 partner organisations from 6 countries.

The project tackles the need to enhance the uptake of ICT in teaching and learning, to promote stronger coherence between different transparency and recognition tools at the national and EU levels, and to strengthen the professional profile of the teaching profession.

Multilingual Training Modules

Those who have been following us from the beginning know that we have already published the training modules in English. Primary teachers can register on the primeTECH platform and study at their own pace the following 5 modules:

- 1. Information and Data Literacy
- 2. Communication and Collaboration
- 3. Digital Content Creation
- 4. Internet Safety and Security
- 5. Problem Solving in Pedagogy

Now these modules are available in four more languages in addition to **English**:

German	Greek
Latvian	Romanian

The translation and localisation of these modules into less common languages is of major importance for primary teachers in Cyprus, Greece, Latvia and Romania, as they seldom have good enough command of English and self-study materials in their own language are limited.

The training modules have not only been translated, but their content has also been adapted to reflect specific national teaching and learning environments. Local online tools for use in primary schools have been identified, as those in English are not always usable in non-English context.

Try primeTECH for free

For now the enrolment to the primeTECH courses on Moodle is done manually by the partners for safety reasons while the project is still in development. Once everything is finalised primary teachers will be able to access the modules by themselves and go through the modules in an independent manner, at their own pace.

If you would like to enrol, please, follow this link: http://primetech.iit.demokritos.gr



In the top right corner click on "Create new account", this will allow you to create your personal primeTECH account. Then contact one of the partner organisations and ask to be enrolled.

Once you have been enrolled you can take the pre-assessment tests for any of the 5 modules, which will inform you of your level of skills and knowledge and guide you to the corresponding units. After reading all the materials and trying out the practical activities, you can attempt to pass the Theoretical Quiz and the Practical Assessment in order to earn the corresponding badge. There is a separate badge for each level of each module (bronze, silver, gold), the completion of all five badges will award the user the Diamond badge, proving your top level skills in using ICT in primary school environment.

The access to primeTECH is free and you will not be charged at any time, as this project is carried out with support of the European Union's programme Erasmus+, which guarantees all users free access to all project outcomes.

Upcoming international conference in Nicosia, Cyprus

On the 28th June 2018 our Cypriot partner Emphasys Centre will be hosting an international conference focusing on the use of ICT in primary schools for teaching and learning purposes. The prime-TECH project will be presented by the project coordinator and the hosting team and in a series of workshops attendants will be able to enrol and experience the primeTECH learning modules first hand. They will test their ICT skills and knowledge and find out which specific modules are for them. They will experience the self-study process and hopefully continue at their schools bringing more colleagues on board and spreading the use of ICT by primary teachers.

Get in touch to book your place at the conference:

WHEN	28 th June 18:00 – 20:00
WHO	Primary School teachers
WHERE	Altius Hotel, Nicosia, Cyprus
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The conference will be accompanied by an exhibition of teaching and learning materials from the partner countries and a Declaration to the EU calling for more support for the use of ICT in primary schools.

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