

REPURPOSING EDUCATION...

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Repurposing Education Through Blended Learning

Welcome to this first newsletter about a new project, called Repurposing Education through Blended Learning (REBEL).

This is a two-year project from March 2021-February 2023 funded through the Erasmus programme, secured through a highly competitive tender and the first ever Erasmus project in the School of Education at Ulster.

REBEL is designed to do three things;

First to capture the experiences of schools and Initial Teacher Education providers in the provision of blended learning as part of their response to Covid 19.
Second, to provide professional development for staff.
And third to create a framework for evaluation and an open access course on best practice in blended learning.

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There is a local advisory board to advise the project made up of colleagues in the Department of Education, the Education Authority and Education and Training Inspectorate.

The project also includes partners from Ireland (the Professional Development Services for Teachers and Dublin City University), Cyprus (the University of Cyprus) and Malta (VisMedNet).



Timeline

The first phase of the project from March-September 2021 will involve research in 5 case study schools/ITE providers in each country on their experiences of blended learning and the extent to which this work has brought about changes to policies and practice in teaching, learning and assessment as well as in relations with parents.

Phase 2 from October 2021 to December 2022 will focus on professional development of staff including the creation of self-evaluation protocols.

The final phase from January-March 2023, will concentrate on the dissemination of key findings.

Further Information

REBEL will soon have its own website, details of which will be provided in the next newsletter.

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