

Research project: All means all! - An interactive, modular, multimedia OpenTextbook for an inclusive and intersectional, multidimensional approach in teacher education

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Abstract

The current COVID-19 crisis has greatly accelerated the need for modernisation and digital transformation of education and training systems across Europe. Initial Teacher Education (ITE) has struggled to address the rapid developments that have occurred in Inclusive Education. Initial Teacher Educators are endeavouring to equip teachers with the knowledge and skills needed to address the diverse needs of learners in their classrooms. This is a common theme across all European countries. The project "All means all" therefore aims to address structural disadvantages in education for learners and educators on different levels and positive intervention and prevention of them. Through the OpenTextbook "All means all", interactive, multimedia Open Educational Resources in multiple formats (ebook, podcasts, videos) will be made available for teacher education. It endeavours to cover 60+ topics in the field of education based on three levels: classroom/group level, school level, community level (incl. families, peers, municipality) as well as linking different dimensions of heterogeneity, which have so far mainly been discussed separately from each other. The focus of the project will be in the creation of a connected view on topics by authors rather than a focus on labelling. Through the digital learning materials to be created, students in different life situations will be able to approach the core topics of teacher education in a variety of ways in different formats (self-study, face-to-face teaching or blended learning). "All means all" should contribute to connecting universities in Europe by shared teaching materials. This resource will be an accessible, interactive and multimedia textbook for students in Initial Teacher Education. This project recruits self-advocates, researchers and teacher educators

who are interested in developing materials in three Summer Schools in different dimensions of diversity. The first one will be in Brixen in 2022 (Italy), the second one in Maynooth in 2023 (Ireland) and the third one in Bremen in 2024 (Germany).