

INFOREF

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Type of organisation:

SME School University Public Authority
Training No Profit NGO

Other (Specify):

Fields of action:

SMEs Youth Universities Public Authorities
Equal opportunities Schools Unemployed

Other (Specify):

Adult and continuing training

Description of the organisation

INFOREF is a non-profit association of teachers, technical and educational experts offering services to primary and secondary schools and to adult education.

INFOREF supports innovative teaching technologies and methodologies and the introduction of innovative e-Learning based educational systems.

Our staff is specialised in the field of ICT (training, creation of websites) and in the management of European projects (LLP Comenius, ICT, Leonardo da Vinci, Gruntdivig, Erasmus+ etc.).

As project promoter, INFOREF has managed several European projects to help students with learning disabilities: Je parle donc j'écris (I speak therefore I write), Co-nai-sens (on Mental Management) and Signes@Sens (Reading, an active search for meaning). In these projects, we produced innovative tools for students and training modules for teachers to achieve basic and transversal skills.

We are currently participating as partner in four new projects in the framework of the ERASMUS+ Programme: School&Work (related to school guidance), SONET-Bull (school bullying), V.I.S.I.ON (as technical partner) and Not Only fair Play (sport education).

Thanks to the projects we have been leading for more than 10 years, we cooperate with many types of institutions in Belgium and abroad: schools of all levels (primary, secondary and higher education), universities, training centres for teachers, associations, public services, etc. In Belgium, we cooperate with organisations and public authorities in charge of education and training that can support the project activities and the dissemination of its results.

We publish information about the project on our website and on the websites of various partner organisations in the field of education, citizenship and European integration. They can in turn disseminate information through their newsletters and paper publications. We also disseminate on the project to key actors of education during meetings, conferences and education-related events.



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Our ICT team has created numerous website and logos for schools and non-profit organisation. They also train teachers to integrate ICT in their lessons (interactive whiteboard, tablets...) and provide computer training to groups and individuals.

Experience of the organization in previous European projects

As promoter, INFOREF has managed different European projects aiming to help students with learning disabilities: "Je parle donc j'écris" (I speak therefore I write), "Co-nai-sens" (Mental Management, pedagogy of learning means) and "Signes@Sens" (Reading, an active search for meaning). In these projects, we produced innovative tools for students and training modules for teachers that can be used to fight and prevent early school leaving.

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European projects of the last five years:

From 2010 to 2012, we participated as partner in the KA1 project "I Am Not Scared" aiming to better understand school bullying and to propose relevant answers to this issue, which can be one of the factors of early school leaving.

From 2011 to 2013, we participated as partner in the Leonardo da Vinci project "Stay@School" (transfer of innovation), to develop tools and common strategies to prevent early school leaving.

From 2011 to 2014, we participated in the Comenius project "Chemistry is All Around Network" (multilateral networks) dedicated to the promotion of chemistry education.

From 2012 to 2014, we participated in the Europe for Citizens project eBook, during which students visited places of remembrance related to WWII and created eBooks about their experience.

From January 2013 to December 2014, we have participated as partner in the Comenius multilateral project "School Safety Net", which aims to fight early school leaving through four areas (spotting students at risk, helping students with learning difficulties, integrating immigrant students and tackling violent behaviours and bullying).

Since 2014, Inforef has been a partner in the Erasmus+ project "School&Work", to prevent early school leaving creating synergies between school and the job market.

Since 2014, Inforef has been a partner in the Erasmus+ project "Sonet-Bull": Using ICT social networking tools with peer learning and crowdsourcing to train school communities to counter student bullying.

Experience and Expertise of the organization in the project's subject area

Since 2010 Inforef has been continuously involved in European projects addressing early school leaving and other difficulties experienced by students at school. For this purpose, Inforef has gathered a working group of teachers, headteachers, counsellors, representatives of public authorities and external organisation and stakeholders working in the field of education. During our regular workshops, they have provided their experience, ideas and tools to address those issues.

Contributions that can be provided to the project

Our long experience in European project management.

A working group of various education stakeholders who will provide their experiences, ideas and tools.

Expertise in education-related issues.



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Reasons of involvement in the project

For the purpose of previous projects (I am Not Scared, Stay@School, School Safety Net, School&Work, SONET-Bull), Inforef has gathered a working group of teachers, headteachers, counsellors, representatives of public authorities and external organisations and stakeholders working in the field of education. We regularly meet to discuss matters related to those projects (early school leaving, school bullying...). The "Not Only Fair Play" project will make it possible to address early school leaving from a new perspective.

Contact Person's Experience and Expertise

Christine Cloes: Manager of the association INFOREF, project manager

Graduate in Romance Philology and holder of the certificate of pedagogic skill for the upper secondary school. In charge of the general management of the European projects and of the coordination of the educational teams involved in the projects. More specifically responsible for the projects related to social sciences, education, pedagogy, bullying...

Zlata Selak: Project manager, administrative and financial manager

Graduate in Biology. Expertise in administrative and financial management of European projects. General management of the European projects and coordination of the educational teams involved in the projects. More specifically responsible for the projects related to scientific skills (biology, chemistry, environment, energy, sustainable development, etc.) and ICT.

Julien Keutgen: Translator, project assistant

Graduate in modern languages and translation. Participating since 2012 in European projects as translator, project assistant and contact person.



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