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Submission of the 2nd interim report



The **interim report**, which provides a general overview of the progress of the project and the activities carried out to date, is about to be submitted. At the moment, the first two work packages have successfully been completed: the Work Package 1 – Project Management and the Work Package 2 – State of the Art Analysis.

With regard to **WP2**, the project has made significant progress: **empirical research** was carried out, involving the subbministration of a **questionnaire** aimed at assessing the levels of knowledge and specific needs of university students and teachers in dealing with racism.

An important milestone was reached thanks to an in-depth analysis of the questionnaire results. Based on this analysis, the consortium prepared the **final summary report**, a key document summarising the main findings and providing an analysis of the current state of racism in education in Europe. To ensure wider dissemination and accessibility, this report has been translated into three languages: Greek, Italian and Spanish.

The results of WP2 provide a solid foundation for the next stages of the project. The consortium is now ready to use the valuable information gathered to shape the teaching materials and training course, which will be developed in WP3.

We will keep you updated on the next steps and how these findings will be translated into concrete actions for the academic community.



First Project Result Released! Explore the Summary Report Now



The summary report is a **key milestone in our work within WP2**, as it gathers all the data and analysis conducted so far on the **issue of racism in Europe and beyond**, examining the **policies** and **programs** introduced to raise awareness on the topic. The document also provides an **overview of actions taken to fight racism**, highlighting both **achievements** and **ongoing challenges**.

A key part of the report is the **analysis of the results from questionnaires distributed to teachers, students, coaches, and athletes**. This research has helped us understand the level of awareness about racism, the actions already implemented, and potential measures to drive change in sports communities.

Moreover, the report offers a **detailed analysis of the current state of racism in education and sports,** pointing out areas that need attention and suggesting practical actions for improvement.

To make the report accessible to a wider audience, the document has been translated into four languages: English, Greek, Spanish, and Italian.

This ensures broader distribution of the research findings, allowing educators, policymakers, athletes, and others to read and understand the contents, both at the European and international levels.

Click here to explore the full findings of our research!





#SPORT ICONS Paola Egonu talks about racism on Che tempo che fa

After triumphing at the **2024 Paris Olympics** by winning the gold medal, **Italian volleyball champion Paola Egonu** denounced racism on the television programme **Che tempo che fa**: "I am honoured to be a privileged athlete, but **I know that racism still exists**. My parents always told me that I had to work twice as hard, and this has stayed with me throughout my life. I used to keep quiet, but now I know how important it is to raise public awareness. The new generation does not see diversity as an enemy, and **I hope that our gold medal shows that unity wins**."



Her comments drew attention to a reality that is still too prevalent, even in seemingly unifying contexts such as sport and remind us that education, awareness and inclusion are the real drivers of change. Her testimony highlights how sport can and should be a powerful vehicle for inclusion and social cohesion. The playing field, free from prejudice, celebrates skill and collaboration, demonstrating in concrete terms how diversity is a source of wealth and not an obstacle. Paola has shown **great courage and clarity** in raising this sensitive issue at a time of national celebration. This choice demonstrates a **deep awareness of her role as a public figure** and a **civic commitment** that goes far beyond the boundaries of the playing field.



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Centre of cultures

We're thrilled to announce that Centre of Cultures has joined our network as a partner in the fight against racism!

This collaboration amplifies our efforts to promote inclusion and diversity in the world of sport. By using football as a universal language, we're uniting people from all backgrounds and building bridges that break down cultural barriers. Our goal is to help build a more equitable and respectful society, where all cultures can be welcomed and celebrated.



F.C. RYSIO

A new MOI with F.C. Rysio - a greek club that shares our values of equality, respect, and unity in sports - has been signed.

This partnership aims to contribute to building a world where there is no place for discrimination, either on or off the pitch. Together, we can build a brighter and more inclusive future!





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