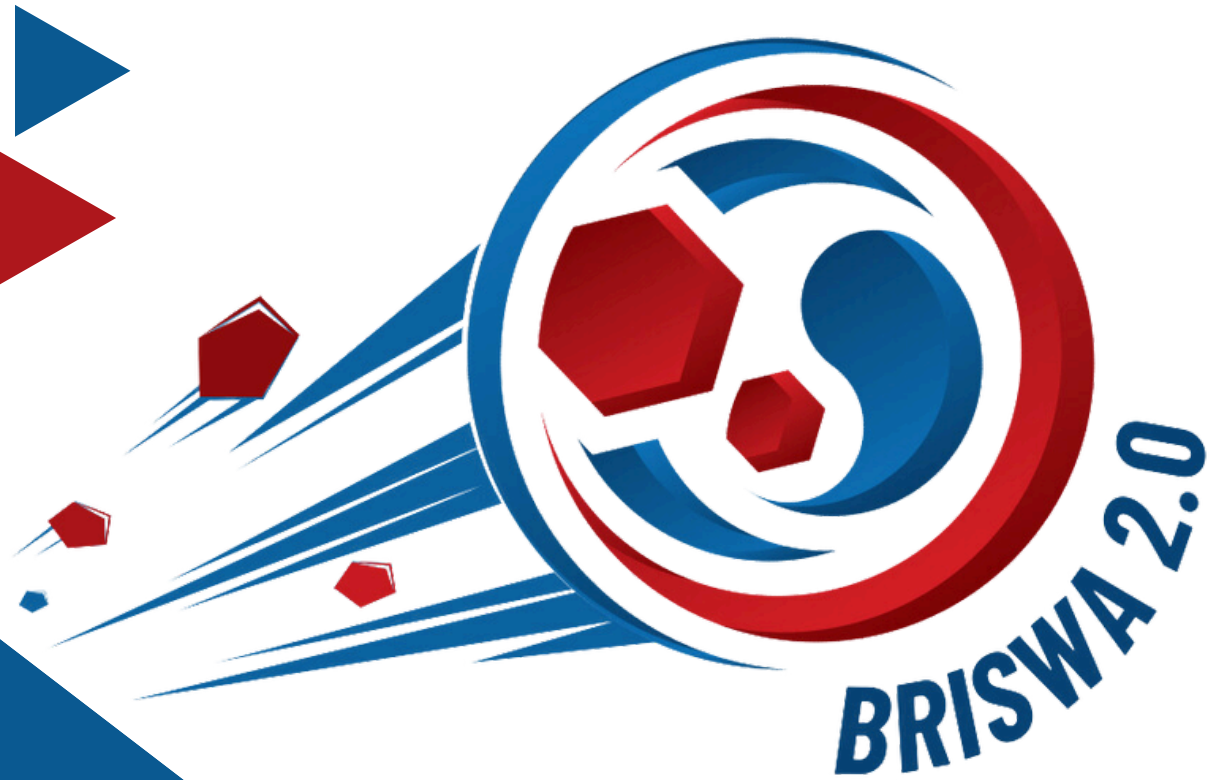




Co-funded by
the European Union

2026



THIRTEEN NEWSLETTER

#HEAR!

Higher Education Against Racism



FOLLOW US +



symplexis



European
University Cyprus



Transnational Project Meeting in Athen, Greece

The project partners met in **Athens, Greece**, on **25th and 26th February 2026 for the latest Transnational Project Meeting (TPM)**, where they reviewed the progress achieved across the project and coordinated the next phase of activities. The meeting provided an opportunity to consolidate the results of the previous work packages and prepare for the implementation stage of the project. **The following sections details the key updates and upcoming actions discussed during the meeting.**



Core Objectives and Milestones Achieved in Athens:

Work Package (WP2), focused on the **State of the Art Analysis on racism and policies addressing discrimination**, has now reached its final stage. The activities included an extensive desktop review, a survey assessing the needs of universities in addressing racism, and a detailed analysis of the collected results. To further disseminate these findings within the academic community, the consortium will prepare **two scientific papers for the EDULEARN26 Conference, which will take place in Palma de Mallorca, Spain, from 29 June to 1 July 2026.**

The key deadlines for participation include **abstract submission by 12 March 2026, notification of acceptance by 9 April 2026**, and final paper submission and author registration by 7 May 2026. These publications will present the main outcomes of the research conducted during WP2 and will contribute to the broader discussion on inclusion, diversity, and anti-racism policies in higher education.

Implementation & Action. Work Package “WP4” The Course Pilot



Following the successful development of the educational materials under **Work Package 3 (WP3)**, several key outputs of the project have now been finalised. These include the **60-page textbook**, Racism as a Phenomenon: Trends and Policies, **the 30-page report, Storytelling with Data** and the Interactive Learning Environment.

Implementation & Action Work Package (WP4)

The objective of WP4 is to deliver the course to students and test the effectiveness of the learning materials and simulation tools developed within the project. The course will be integrated into the curricula of the participating universities, and students who attend the course and pass the final exam will be able to receive academic credits.

In the coming months, partners will continue preparing **the course modules, translating the materials into Greek, Spanish, and Italian**, and finalising the Moodle platform that will host the training content. Pilot courses and workshops are expected to begin in **spring 2026**, allowing the consortium to test the course with students and collect feedback.

The results of this phase will contribute to the final assessment of both the course and the overall project, ensuring that the developed educational tools can effectively support discussions and actions addressing racism in sports and higher education.

Lamine Yamal: Football's Rising Voice for Talent, Courage, and Equality



"Football should be about talent, respect, and passion. There is no place for racism in the game"

In a sport watched by billions, the voices of young players are becoming increasingly powerful. Few emerging stars represent this new era better than Lamine Yamal a player whose brilliance on the pitch is matched by the meaning he carries beyond it.

At just a young age, the FC Barcelona winger has already captured global attention with his electrifying pace, creativity, and fearless style of play. Rising through Barcelona's prestigious La Masia academy, **Yamal quickly became one of the most promising players of his generation**, breaking age records and earning a place in the Spain national football team earlier than many expected.

Yet beyond the goals, assists, and stunning dribbles lies a deeper story. The emergence of a young athlete **who symbolizes the future of football** both on and off the pitch.

Yet beyond the statistics and highlights, Yamal represents something deeper about the evolving face of modern football. Born in Spain to a Moroccan father and an Equatorial Guinean mother, **he embodies the multicultural identity that increasingly defines the global game**. For many young fans around the world, especially those from diverse backgrounds, his presence at the highest level of football is both powerful and inspiring. Football, however, continues to **face serious challenges when it comes to racism**. In recent years, several players including Vinícius Júnior have spoken out after experiencing racist abuse in stadiums. These incidents have sparked widespread debate about discrimination in the sport and the urgent need for stronger action.

In response to these issues, many young players have shown solidarity and courage. **Yamal himself has emphasized the importance of respect and unity in football**. As he once expressed when discussing the issue of discrimination in the sport. The message reflects the mindset of a new generation of footballers who understand that their influence extends far beyond the pitch. For them, success is not only measured by trophies but also by the values they represent. **As his career continues to grow**, Yamal is already becoming more than just a promising player. He is a symbol of the future where football celebrates diversity, rejects discrimination, and gives every young talent the chance to shine.

Join us

in the Briswa 2.0 project!

Sign the **manifestation of interest** and our **pledge card** and together we will fight racism in sports, creating a future of equality and respect for all the athletes!

Every signature is a step towards a fairer and more inclusive sporting world!



[Click here to sign!](#)



Let's Get In Touch!

Visit Our Website



briswa20.unilink.it

Follow us

