

# **Optimizing Distance Learning Educational Programs**

# Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education: The case of ODLEP Optimizing Distance Learning Educational Programs

















**ODLEP Project Information** 



- Project Title: Optimizing Distance Learning Educational Programs
- Acronym: ODLEP





**Project Information** 



- Research Type: ERASMUS Lump Sum Grants
- Project Duration: 24 Months
- Date of Initiation: February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023



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### **Participating Institutions**



- UNIVERSITY OF MACEDONIA (EL)
- ARISTOTLE UNIVERSITY OF THESSALONIKI (EL)
- UNIVERSITY OF IOANNINA (EL)
- UNIVERSITATEA LUCIAN BLAGA DIN SIBIU (RO)
- UNIVERSITA TELEMATICA DEGLI STUDI (IT)
- UNIVERZITET U NISU (RS)





University of Ioannina







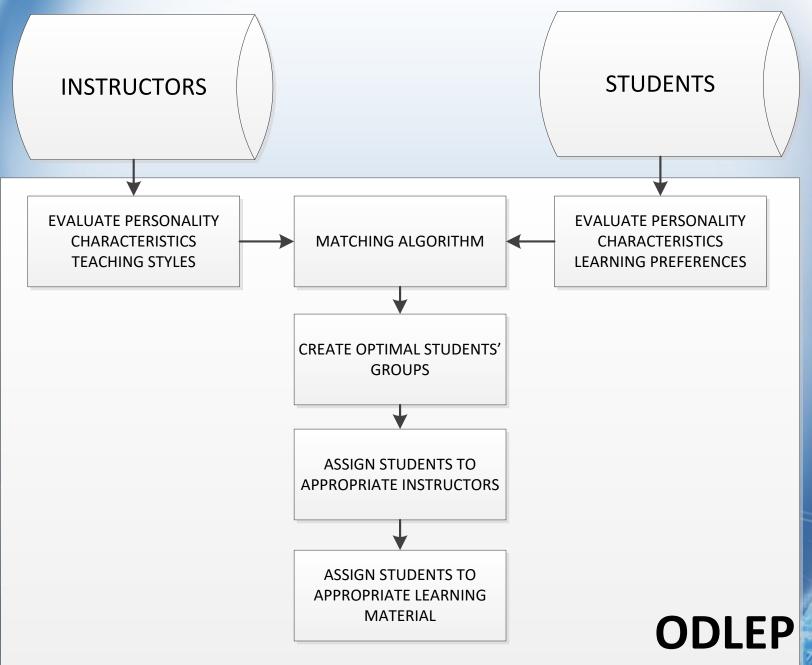
- Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all
- Education for all has always been in the heart of the sustainable development agenda
- Education for All to eliminate gender disparity at all levels of education by 2015 is also a core objective of ODLEP
- Our ODLEP platform could facilitate Education for Sustainable Development (ESD) that is considered as an integral element of quality education and a key enabler for sustainable development







#### **How ODLEP works**





### **Goals and Indicators**



- The programme is addressed to learners of all levels.
- It promotes an equitable and quality education.
- The platform that will be created will be available at no financial cost.
- The initial survey data that are being processed originates mainly from higher

education.











- The platform can support training in all subjects while maximising learning outcomes.
- The final system will ensure a unique learning experience for young people and adults by supporting the development of skills.





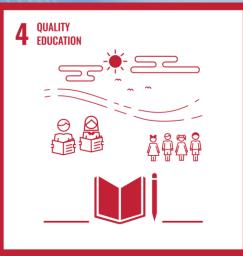






- This research project is in the field of information and communication technologies.
- The platform under development can support international cooperation for teacher education in developing countries, especially in less developed countries

and small island developing states.









#### **Project Immediate Goals**



The first phase of the project aims to strengthen distance learning programmes in

Greece, Romania, Italy and Serbia.

- More specifically, it aims to:
  - The production of an innovative and effective framework for the creation of student groups and
  - The selection of the most appropriate instructor for a competent and successful distance education programme

















#### Defining:

- The context of distance education with emphasis on the partner countries
- All the characteristics required for the synthesis of the student group and the selection of the most appropriate instructor for each online class/course
- Matching techniques and multi-criteria analysis in Distance Education



















- Defining a theoretical framework and a process for assessing and rating all aspects of
  - the trainers' profile
- Definition and assessment of the desirable characteristics for each trainer candidate







Based on the composition of the learners of the course/class, the platform will facilitate

the ranking of available trainers.

Using multi-criteria analysis, the best one will be selected.



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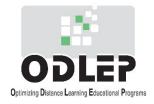












Recording the experience, satisfaction and responses of the trainees and

processing the results with a focus on identifying best practices.







- Identify approaches to improve the performance of trainers.
- Propose policies on assigning the appropriate instructor to a given class/course.





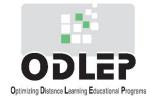
**ODLEP Attributes** 



- It adapts to the needs of learners and teachers without compromising the quality of the course
- Can reach remote areas without extreme expenditure on new infrastructure







- Takes advantage of the digital space and provides excellent learning experiences
- Takes into account the preferences of learners and trainers so that education can move from traditional styles to personalized learning





### **Project Aims**



- Conducting courses which could focus on Sustainable Development
- Helping students to achieve their academic goals
- Lecturers adapt their lectures to maximize the transfer of knowledge they wish

to communicate

Dissemination and exploitation of the proposed solution















The project will address the issue of personalized education by providing:

- A survey of the factors (environmental, geographical, social) that could make personalized education successful.
- A mathematical framework that takes into account the cultural and personal characteristics of all participants.



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## **Project Aims**



- The mathematical framework will be translated into a system that can be used
  - by universities (and educational organisations) alongside their existing infrastructure
- Demonstrate the potential of the system with a series of courses at the partner universities
- Recommendations proposals and policies for the future of digital distance education

















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